

Friday, June 4, 2021

Hello Argyle Families,

It has been a challenging week for the Argyle community as we grapple with the news of the 215 children found outside the Kamloops residential school site. Our staff have been wearing Orange Shirts all week and have had many difficult and meaningful conversations in our classrooms around our history, our communities, and the importance of Truth & Reconciliation. Our Sr. Choir students gathered at our flagpole under the flags flying at half-mast to sing the Coast Salish Anthem on Wednesday to remember the children who did not come home from residential schools.

The arrival of the Welcome Figure, a carving by Coast Salish artist Sinàm<u>k</u>in -Jody Broomfield, this morning was timely given the many conversations this week. Its arrival deepened our reflections about the legacy of residential schools across Canada. Jody spoke to a few classes and staff on the meaning behind the Welcome Figure and what each carved detail represents. At the top, a matronly figure stands to both welcome and protect those that walk in our building, flanked by eagle feathers that hold our communities together.

Below are two pictures of the Welcome Figure arriving at Argyle this morning. At the end of this newsletter are a few additional pictures of the Welcome Figure inside the school.



In today's updates you will find information on:

- 1. 2021-2022 School Calendar
- 2. Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment Schedule
- 3. DMA & Argyle Drama present "Gotcha"
- 4. Summer Learning Registration



- 5. Youth Leadership Advisory Committee YouthLAB 2021/22
- 6. Year-end Schedule

With appreciation,

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1. 2021-2022 School Calendar

The 2021-2022 Argyle calendar can be viewed <u>here</u>. It is also attached to this email. A detailed monthly calendar will be provided at a later date.

2. Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment Schedule

All grade 10s are scheduled to write the Numeracy Graduation Assessment Wednesday, June 23. This is a requirement of the graduation program.

https://www.sd44.ca/school/argyle/Students/Exam%20Information/Pages/default.aspx#/=

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For more information, including sample assessments, please see: <u>https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-numeracy-assessment</u>

It is recommended that students complete the sample assessments found on the website in preparation for the assessment.

3. Digital Media Academy & Argyle Drama present "Gotcha"

This year during COVID the Digital Media Academy and Argyle Drama Department created a 45-minute film with a message of nonviolence wrapped in a thriller suspense story. The intent of our movie is to create a dialogue about the prevalence of violence in the sources of entertainment teenagers choose. Our story focuses on teenage bullying and other social emotional experiences teens go through. It is our pleasure to invite you to our online premier of the film. We will be streaming the film on YouTube at 7:00pm, Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Please check out the DMA YouTube channel <u>DMAnvsd - YouTube</u> now to watch the new trailer and other content before the premiere.

Were there not COVID protocols preventing social gatherings, we would love to have been able to invite you to our new Argyle Theatre for a premiere screening and Q&A with cast and crew. The film's script has been translated to French and Mandarin, and we are translating it to Farsi. We have begun casting and have actors who will be recording their voices in other languages for future screenings in the theatre if COVID restrictions are lifted in the Fall.





4. Registration for Summer Learning closes on June 24th (noon)

North Vancouver Summer Learning course offerings include:

- Full Credit Academic Courses
- 7/8 Transition
- English Language Learning
- Numeracy and Literacy Foundations
- Eslha7an

To view course offerings and to register click here.

5. Youth Leadership Advisory Committee: YouthLAB 2021/2022



Youth Volunteers Needed - Family Services North Shore is looking for 12 passionate and engaged youth who care about social justice and mental health. As a part of YouthLAB you will become trained as a change agent within your community on mental health topics that address and respond to challenges relevant to youth right now. YouthLAB's goal is to reach other youth through meaningful community engagement by offering opportunities for learning through arts collaboration, building awareness, reducing stigma and dialogue.

For students entering in grade 10-12 during the 2021/2022 school year. Meetings are from 4:30-6:30pm on two Thursdays per month, beginning September 30, 2021.

Click <u>here</u> for more information on YouthLAB. Click <u>here</u> for the YouthLAB application, **deadline to submit is June 30, 2021**.

For more information visit the Family Services North Shore website.

6. Year-end Schedule

June 19 & 20Argyle Virtual Grad Filming at Education Services CentreJune 22Last full day of scheduled classes
Period 8 (12:45pm) School Awards (virtual)June 23Review & Completion
School Resource Return



June 24 Review & Completion Final School Resource Return prior to 3pm

*any outstanding school resources after this time will be billed to your SchoolCash Online Account and must be paid prior to picking up your yearbook

June 25	Final Review & Completion by appointment only	
June 28	Reports Cards Posted Yearbook pickup (Grades 8-11, times TBA)	
June 29	Grade 12 Yearbook pickup (time TBA)	
June 30	Administrative Day (school not in session)	



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The 2020-2021 Argyle Graduation Composite also arrived this week!

*Previous graduation composites were professionally digitized prior to moving into the new school. These will be part of a digital display at the front of the school still to come.