



November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Hello Argyle Families,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. The weeks are passing quickly and the holiday season is approaching. There are just 4 weeks until winter break and 8 weeks left in semester 1.

There are many important informational items in the pages that follow, and we ask you to take some time to read through them and share them with your child.

1. Safety Reminders
2. Report Cards
3. Harvest Project Initiative – Social Justice 12 classes
4. Food Truck Friday – Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> afterschool
5. Parent Events by NVPAC
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7. Fundraisers

Argyle newsletters are sent every two weeks and are posted on our website [here](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kim Jonat', followed by a stylized flourish.

Kim Jonat, Principal

John Crowley, Vice Principal

Laura Stewart, Vice Principal



## 1. Safety Reminders

### A. Pick-up & Drop off Safety

There is a very limited amount of space in the pick-up and drop off area at Argyle. Please consider arranging a spot to meet your child a block or two away from the school, or a few minutes after 3pm. If you must come in the school lot:

- Drive with extra caution. 15km/hr max in the parking lot.
- Do NOT block the driveway entrance/exit. This includes not stopping on the curve between Frederick Road and the start of the pick-up/drop off zone.
- If the pick-up/ drop off area is full, please do NOT park elsewhere on school grounds. These spots are needed for coaches and visitors arriving at the school for games, practices, and afterschool meetings. It also creates additional traffic in the parking lot with many cars backing in and out.
- We have many students who walk or roll to school. Please use extra caution at crosswalks and intersections.
- Please do NOT park in the cul-de-sac on Argyle Road. This is a no stopping zone, an exit from the school, and there are a lot of pedestrians.

### B. Pedestrian safety

Students are encouraged to walk or roll to school. As the days get darker it is important for pedestrians to also exercise extra caution. Consider attaching reflectors or lights to your child's backpack, or to wear. Wear bright colours. Remind your child to use sidewalks, to look both ways, make eye contact with drivers and to only cross roads at crosswalks or intersections. Putting the phone away while walking and having at least one ear free from an earbud also helps to keep students safe as they are more aware of their surroundings.



## 2. Report Cards

Mid semester report cards were published today to the MyEd Parent Portal.

[Parent Portal Login](#)

Once you have logged in, the report card will be under the Published Reports section shown on the right, part way down the page. Double click on the report card PDF file and you will be provided with options to Open or Save the report card.

The first page of the report card contains important information about what is contained in your child's report card. All courses now appear on one report card including courses taken through online learning or at other schools. If you have questions about the mark or comments, please contact the teacher directly. If you have problems accessing your child's report card please email [argyle@sd44.ca](mailto:argyle@sd44.ca) from the email address we have on file and include the name(s) of your child(ren).

Students can also login to view their report card on the MyEd Portal.

We encourage parents/guardians to have a discussion with their child about their progress, engagement, and goals for the second half of semester 1. Some questions to consider asking include:

- What are you most proud of?
- Did anything surprise you? Why?
- What are skills you feel you have improved in?
- What do you find challenging? How might you address this?
- For the rest of semester 1, what SMART goals do you have?





### 3. Harvest Project Initiative by Social Justice 12 Classes

Argyle's Social Justice 12 classes are collecting items in support of The Harvest Project this holiday season. The Harvest Project is an organization that provides services, food, rent and clothing to those in need on the North Shore. Help those in your community by donating new or gently used winter coats, boots and sweaters, as well as new unopened toiletries. Students can put items in the donation boxes which can be found in every learning community. Please consider donating today. The collection drive ends December 10th. Thanks for your support Argyle!



### 4. Food Truck Friday November 26 at 3pm

Leadership students are putting the first Food Truck Friday at Argyle on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> after school. The trucks will be parked out front waiting for students and staff as they exit the building for the day. The trucks we anticipate being there are:

- Mom's Grilled Cheese
- Little Devils Pizza
- Mama's Fish and Chips
- Vera's Burgers

Trucks will be taking orders between 3:00pm-4:30pm. QR codes with the menus will be posted around the school next week.



We can't wait to see the turnout!

The parking lot will be CLOSED to pick-ups on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> afterschool, except for students with disabilities. Please arrange off site pick up.

### **5A. Parent Event – “How Inclusion Benefits All” by Shelley Moore**

NVPAC & NVSD would like to invite all parents/guardians within the NVSD to a live virtual presentation with Shelley Moore.

Date: Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

Time: 6:30pm to 7:30pm via Zoom

REGISTRATION is through Eventbrite – Click [HERE](#)



**Online Live Presentation**

**SHELLEY MOORE**  
**HOW INCLUSION BENEFITS ALL**

**Based in Vancouver, British Columbia Canada, Shelley Moore consults locally, provincially and beyond. Her interactive presentations are constructed based on contexts of specific schools and communities and integrate theory and effective practices of inclusion, special education, curriculum and technology. She completed an undergraduate degree in Special Education at the University of Alberta, her masters at Simon Fraser University, and is currently a PhD student at the University of British Columbia**

**Tuesday- November 23rd - 2021**  
**6:30pm - 7:30pm**

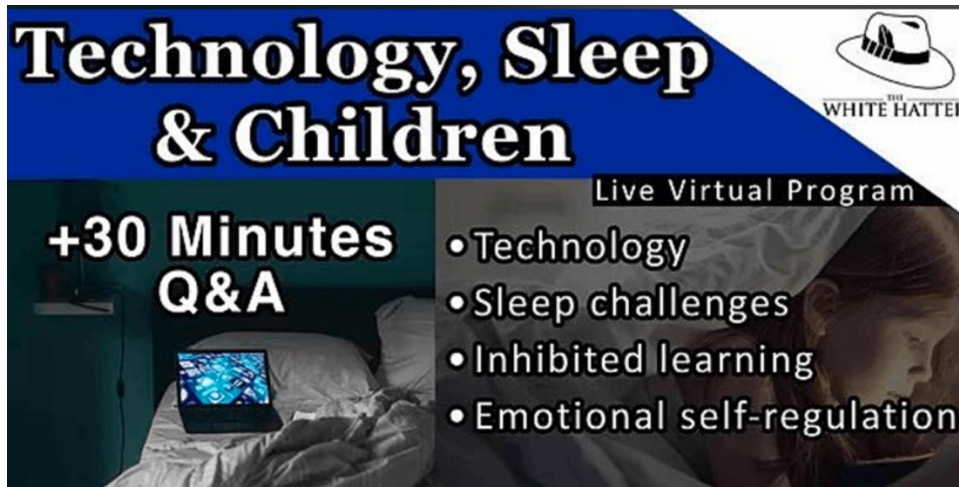
Registration for this event is through Eventbrite



## 5B. Parent Event – Technology, Sleep & Children

November 25 NVPAC is hosting White Hatters who will deliver a presentation on how technology can adversely affect children's sleep patterns. The presentation addresses sleep deprivation concerns, inhibited learning challenges, what families can do to overcome these challenges and includes a Q&A. Register for the 7 p.m. November 25<sup>th</sup> webinar [HERE](#).



**Technology, Sleep & Children**

THE WHITE HATTER

Live Virtual Program

**+30 Minutes Q&A**

- Technology
- Sleep challenges
- Inhibited learning
- Emotional self-regulation

## 6. NVSD Anti-Racism Focus Groups

Anti-Racism Focus Groups As part of the NVSD's commitment to learning from the community's lived experiences to help ensure a welcoming, safe and inclusive culture for all school district community members, parents/guardians are invited to participate in anti-racism focus groups. Focus groups will take place via Zoom. The next group will meet on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. If you are interested in participating in the focus groups, which are facilitated by Bakau Consulting, please email Consultant Will Shelling at [will@bakauconsulting.com](mailto:will@bakauconsulting.com), and use the subject line: NVSD Parent/Guardian Focus Group [INSERT DATE]. Please direct any questions about the focus groups to Bakau Consulting at [feedback@bakauconsulting.com](mailto:feedback@bakauconsulting.com). Thank you for your participation.

## 7. Fundraisers



- Purdy's Chocolate Christmas Fundraiser

The Argyle PAC has teamed with the Argyle Music Association (AMA) and Purdy's to make ordering your favourite Christmas chocolate treats a little easier. 25% of your order will go back to either the Argyle PAC or the AMA.

**Order deadline:** Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Pick up:** Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 3:30-5:30pm (Drive-thru at Argyle)

Link to Support Argyle PAC:

25% of your purchase will go to helping enrich the educational experience at Argyle.

1. Login or create a new account: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1367649-85859>

2. Enter email address and JOIN campaign

More info: <https://argylepac.weebly.com/purdys-chocolate.html>

Link to Support Argyle Music Department:

25% of your purchase will go to your child's personal travel account (remember to include your child's name when ordering). If your child is not in the music program, you can still order and profits will go towards the Argyle Music Department. Please email

[fundraising@argylemusic.ca](mailto:fundraising@argylemusic.ca), if you have any questions.

Login or create a new account (customer #17985):

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1367647-85859>



- [Growing Smiles - Argyle Music Fundraiser](#)

Beautiful poinsettias, wreaths, swags, planters, and more from Growing Smiles. Log in or create a new account:

<https://argylemusic.growingsmilesfundraising.com/>



- [Argyle Library Fundraiser - Indigo \(365 days/year\)](#)

Did you know if you purchase a \$25, \$50 or \$100 gift card on-line Indigo will give 20% back in gift cards for the Argyle School Library to purchase FREE books! It's a win, win! If you're shopping at Indigo in-store or online, please take one extra step and pre-purchase a gift card (\$25/50/100) ONLINE to pay for your purchase. When you purchase via Argyle's Indigo Books fundraising page, the Argyle library will earn 20% from your purchase in FREE books! Make sure you buy e-gift cards using the link below. It should say Argyle Secondary School on the purchase screen.

<https://indigo.flipgive.com/teams/123533-argyle-secondary-school>

This small extra step will make a BIG difference for the library. More info:

<https://argylepac.weebly.com/indigo-books.html>

3% of your purchase or 20% of e-cards goes directly back to the library to support the purchase of more books and resources for Argyle students. We encourage you to bookmark the [site](#) as the fundraiser runs all year long.







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- Argyle Drama Association – 

Argyle Drama and JJ Bean want to supply you with great coffee. Feel conscientiously rejuvenated in your fully caffeinated glory knowing that you have helped support our school's theatre program and performance space.

Please fill out the details on the [order form](#) and deliver the cheque/cash payment to the library front desk; it's as easy as that! Cheques must be made out to Argyle Drama Program.

Our first order will be sent out by Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. Please have your orders and payments submitted by then. Pick up will be the week of Dec. 6-10.

Happy percolating and thanks for your support!