

Friday, September 24th

Good afternoon Argyle Families!

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of a busy month of September. It has been wonderful to see students back to class and getting to know our new building. With semester 1 now in full swing, classes, field trips, school events and sports are well under way. Here are a few highlights of the last few weeks and information about a few upcoming events to look out for.

We wish you a safe and restful weekend.

Kind regards,

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Kim Jonat, *Principal* Laura Stewart, *Vice Principal* John Crowley, *Vice Principal*

Student Vote

Argyle participated in Student Vote this past Monday, a parallel election coinciding with the Federal election. The purpose of the event is to engage students in the election and foster discussion about democracy, the parties and candidates. Students vote for local candidates running in our electoral district. The Student Vote results are shared publicly after the close of polls on election day. Student Vote Canada is presented in collaboration with Elections Canada.



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<u>Terry Fox Run</u>

Thank you to the whole school community that participated in Argyle's wettest ever Terry Fox run! Our school community raised over \$2600 to support cancer research in Canada. Thank you for your enthusiasm and generosity.

Argyle's Terry Fox Online Donation page:

https://secure.terryfox.ca/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?TeamID=948827



Orange Shirt Day - Wednesday, September 29th

Orange Shirt Day is recognized nationally and annually on September 30th. This date is significant as it is the approximate date children would have been taken to residential schools. This year, due to the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation statutory holiday, the North Vancouver School District will recognize Orange Shirt Day on Wednesday, September 29th.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – Thursday, September 30th

Following the federal government's passing of legislation to annually recognize September 30th as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (a federal statutory holiday), the B.C. Government advised all provincial public sector employers that for this year, they should also recognize September 30th as a holiday for all public sector employees. As a result, public schools across the province, including those within the North Vancouver School District, **will be closed on September 30th**, 2021.



We encourage all members of the school district community to honour the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

This Wednesday, September 29th our school will be holding a virtual assembly to honour National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Katie Black, Argyle's Teacher Librarian has created a page on the Argyle Library website dedicated to sharing resources about Truth & Reconciliation, Orange Shirt Day, and Residential Schools.

<u>Truth and Reconciliation Day - Argyle Secondary School Library Digital Learning</u> <u>Commons - DistrictLibGuide at North Vancouver School District #44 (sd44.ca)</u>

There is also an Indigenous Peoples Resource page featuring resources available in the Argyle library.

<u>Indigenous Peoples Resources at Argyle - Argyle Secondary School Library Digital</u> <u>Learning Commons - DistrictLibGuide at North Vancouver School District #44 (sd44.ca)</u>

Post-Secondary Visits

Visits from recruiters and admissions officers are starting! Grade 12s interested in attending post-secondary should make their best effort to attend. Grade 10 and 11's are welcome to attend too.

- Mon. Sept. 27th, 11:50 AM University of Calgary
- Mon. Oct. 4th, 11:50 AM UBC Sauder School of Business (not UBC general)
- Wed. Oct. 27th , 3:00 PM University of Victoria
- Mon. Nov. 29th, 11:50 AM University of Alberta

As sessions are added they will be posted on the Post-Secondary information banner outside the entrance to counselling.

Grad Parent Information Night

The recording for the Grad Parent info night will be up shortly. We apologize for the delay. We will notify parents/guardians of grads when it is posted.



Grad Photos

Grade 12's, it's time to reserve your grad portrait session. Grad photos will be taken October 12th to 15th at Argyle by GradsBC. Optional "buddy" photos on Monday, October 18th require a separate appointment from the individual portrait session. Information on how to book a session was emailed to grade 12's and parents/guardians of grade 12's September 17th & can also be found <u>here</u>.

Lockers

Lockers have now been issued to students in grade 9 to 12 who requested one in the first call-out. We have reopened the request form for any student who would like a locker. All grade 8 students were issued a locker.

The form is linked at the top of the Argyle webpage.



Argyle Music Association Samosa Fundraiser

ORDER ONLINE BY OCTOBER 17TH

Drive thru pick up at Argyle Secondary - Thursday, October 21st from 3:30 to 5:30pm The Argyle Music Association is excited to bring you a tasty opportunity to experience BC's best samosas and much more! 25% profit goes into student personal accounts, to go to cover future music trip expenses. If you do not have a child in the music program you can still enjoy the Samosa fundraiser and 25% profit will go to cover expenses incurred in the Music Department.



<u>NEW</u>

- Shrimp Risotto in a Crispy Coating
- Bacon Wrapped Japanese Scallops
- Chicken Souvlaki Boneless Skinless Thighs

Also available:

- butter chicken samosa
- famous chicken or potato/pea samosas
- veggie pakoras + channa masala
- chicken strips, chicken cordon bleu
- butter chicken sauce packs with Basmati rice
- authentic chai spices + much more!

See products + order online:

https://samosafundraiser.com/argyle-music-association-samosa-fundraiser/

Student Homestays

Our secondary school international students value the opportunity to study in North Vancouver schools where they receive a quality education as well as an incredible living environment within our community.

We have international students in need of homestay placements now and in late January, in time for second semester. If you are interested in finding out more about hosting an international student, we will be pleased to provide you with additional information and/or will happily connect you with our local homestay placement partners. Our International Education program staff can be contacted at international@sd44.ca.

Student Enrichment Opportunities

From time to time we receive information about enrichment and career exploration opportunities for students. We encourage you to keep an eye on this page on the Students>><u>Enrichment Opportunities</u> page of our website.

Here is one upcoming opportunity that may be of interest to girls in grades 8 to 12: Try/CATCH (Computing and Technology Conference for Her) is an exciting outreach project organized every year by WiCS at Simon Fraser University. Try/CATCH is a **one**-



day event for high school girls in grades eight to twelve, with the objective of helping them develop an interest in Computing Science and the technology field. Due to the ongoing pandemic, we will be hosting our Try/Catch 2021 event virtually this year on the weekend of Oct. 2nd -3rd!

Registration is free! To register please use this link: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1wfF08c9ftaWh6p7jiRT26tBBN0wHnQ_8eZxc8wK-WB0/viewform?edit_requested=true</u>

For more information, visit our website (undergoing updates): http://trycatch.cs.sfu.ca/

Upcoming Dates

Friday, Sept. 24 th	School based professional day (classes not in session)
Wednesday, Sept. 29 th	Truth & Reconciliation virtual assembly & Orange Shirt Day
Wednesday, Sept. 29 th	School Photo Retakes
Thursday, Sept. 30 th	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (schools closed)
Friday, Oct. 1 st	Curriculum Implementation Day (classes not in session)
Monday, Oct. 11 th	Thanksgiving holiday (school closed)
Oct. 12 th to 15 th	Grad Photos* (info emailed Sept. 17 th & posted <u>here</u>)
	*Grads need to reserve a session online.
Fri. Oct. 15 th	Fall Team sports photos