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ÉCOLE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER April 2026



Sr. Girls Soccer wins North Shore Championship April 2026

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Principal's Update

Dear Argyle families,

As we step into the final stretch of the school year, the energy at Argyle is undeniable. With warmer weather comes spring athletics, classes moving outside for learning opportunities, and the excitement of summer break coming up.

Read below for updates about what has been going on at Argyle through April and a snapshot of what is to come in May. See important updates about our new Bring Your Own Device policy, as well as altered timetable for the last week of school.

We look forward to seeing you in the school in some of the many upcoming events.

Sincerely,



Laura Ames, Principal

Tim Ireland, Vice Principal

Shahrzad Motaghedi, Vice Principal

Upcoming School Dates

Tuesday, May 5th	Parent Night: online safety with North Vancouver RCMP Youth Team
May 5th – 7th	Drama Film Festival
Wednesday, May 6th	Indigenous Celebration Day
Friday, May 8th	Homeroom schedule: classes start 8:30am
Monday, May 18th	Victoria Day – Schools closed
Wednesday, May 20th	PAC Meeting 7:00pm
Thursday, May 21st	NVSD French Immersion Grad Celebration
Friday, May 22nd	Mandatory Grad Rehearsal for all Grade 12 students 1:50pm
Wednesday, May 27th	Late Start 9:50am
Friday, May 29th	Argyle Music Cabaret

School Information

Argyle Contact Info	Contact Info & Map - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Daily Schedules & Block Rotation	Daily Schedules - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Full Year Calendar	Calendars - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Reporting Attendance	Attendance - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Argyle Policies	School Policies - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Daily Announcements	Daily Announcements - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)
Staff Contact Information	Staff Contacts and Links - École Argyle Secondary (sd44.ca)

Bring Your Own Device!




 École Argyle Secondary

Bring Your Own Device 2026-2027

Argyle is implementing a Bring Your Own Device program for the 2026-27 school. Learn more on our website [here](#). Financial assistance is available – email Laura Ames lames@sd44.ca for more info.



School Fees

Please review School Cash Online and pay any outstanding school fees. **Yearbooks (grades 8-11) and grad gowns (grade 12) will not be distributed until school fees are paid.** If you need financial assistance with school fees, please contact your grade administrator.

Last Week of School – Altered Bell Schedule

Argyle will be running an altered bell schedule the week of June 15-19th. Long blocks will allow teachers to plan final assessments, out trips, and special year-end celebrations. Friday, June 19th will have a special timetable with eight short blocks to allow students to see all teachers one last time. Please ensure students are present for this important last week of school.

Time	Monday, June 15	Tuesday, June 16	Wednesday, June 17	Thursday, June 18
8:30-9:10am	Flex	Flex	Flex	Flex
9:10-11:35am	Period 1	Period 3	Period 5	Period 7
11:35am-12:35pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:35-3:00pm	Period 2	Period 4	Period 6	Period 8

Time	Friday, June 19 th
8:30-9:10am	Flex
9:10-9:45am	Period 1
9:45-10:20am	Period 2
10:20-11:55am	Period 3
10:55-11:30	Period 4
11:30-12:05	Period 5
12:05-1:20	Lunch & Send-off BBQ (ticket information coming soon)
1:20-1:55	Period 6
1:55-2:25	Period 7
2:25-3:00	Period 8

Attendance Matters!

As we near the end of the school year, we want to remind families the importance of regular attendance. Research has shown that students who attend less than 90% of the time have greater academic struggles, disengage from school, and are at risk for not graduating. Students who miss several consecutive days are at greater risk. Missing only two classes per week adds up to 10% of the school year! This is a reminder to please report your child's absence to the office (link above) if it is excused. Argyle calls home report unexcused absences. Please contact your child's grade counsellor or administrator if you need support with school attendance.

Minimum Course Enrolment 2026-27

This is a reminder that next year, all Argyle students will be expected to take a minimum course load to retain full time student status at Argyle. Part time student status affects eligibility for: Argyle scholarships, Argyle awards, and participation in Argyle Athletics. All NVSD classes contribute to the course totals below.

Grade	Minimum Courses	Maximum Courses w/out Admin Approval
8	8	9
9	8	9
10	8	9
11	7 + CLC12 - 2 credits	8+CLC12 - 2 credits
12	6 + CLC12 - 2 credits	7+CLC12 - 2 credits

School Updates & Upcoming Events

Save the Date! End of Year Evening Awards Events:

- Thursday, June 4th – Drama Awards
- Tuesday, June 9th – Final Band Concert & Awards
- Wednesday, June 10th – Final Choir Concert & Awards
- Thursday, June 11th – Athletic Banquet & Awards
- Tuesday, June 16th – School Awards (by invitation)

2026 Argyle Music Cabaret

Come support our music program with our annual Cabaret on May 29th! Tickets on sale and event info [here](#).



Argyle Film Festival 2026

Tuesday, May 5th, Wednesday, May 6th and Thursday, May 7th from 7:00pm-9:00pm

Tickets: \$10 – more info [here](#).

Short films will be shown, each 4 minutes in length as well as one 25 minute action movie “*Armageddon Again: The Prequel*” ‘The world faces a supernatural catastrophe, and the Canadians save the day!’ There will be a red carpet photo experience and concession stand with a variety of snacks and beverages.

[Read more in the North Shore News here.](#)

Argyle Drama’s Spring Show

Entirely student-led and produced, come check out our spring show running May 19, 20, and 22nd.

Tickets available [here](#).



FAMILY BONANZA!
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Show starts: 7:00
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ARGYLE DRAMA



ARGYLE 2026 FILM FESTIVAL
PRESENTS
**ARMAGEDDON
AGAIN
THE PREQUEL**
FOR MAPLE SYRUP, FOR CANADA, Shhh..... FOR THE WORLD
Argyle Film Festival May 5, 6, 7, James Buchanan Theatre

Piper Pride – What’s happening at Argyle?

Science 10 UBC Field Trip



French Immersion Science 10 students enjoyed a field trip to UBC, where they explored campus, visited the Beaty Biodiversity Museum, and uncovered the secrets of the famous blue whale skeleton. They also attended the UBC Engineering Innovation Fair, where drones flew, robots folded napkins with precision, robot dogs roamed the hall, and automated aquaponic gardens showcased food solutions for the future. As students summed it up: “Lots of science that day!”

Neuroscience Club

In March 2026, the Neuroscience Club participated in the Brain Bee at UBC, where students tested their knowledge, met other neuroscience enthusiasts, and experienced a friendly academic (international) competition. They spent the day at UBC visiting research labs with graduate students, exploring the campus, and immersing themselves in the world of science.



Started last year, the Neuroscience Club brings students together to learn about the brain, explore topics that matter to teenagers (such as memory, sleep, emotions, and social media addiction) and build fun projects like cortex helmets and 3D neurons!



Argyle Music at Con Brio Festival

Whistler Music visited Whistler 65 strong in August to attend and perform at the Con Brio Music Festival. Concert Band, Jazz Band, Concert Choir and Vocal Jazz gave wonderful performances and had a great trip!

Athletic Updates

Spring sports are in full swing: girls soccer, grade 8 football, mountain biking, ultimate, golf, and rugby. Congratulations to the Senior Girls Soccer team for winning the North Shore Championship (see cover photo.)

Rugby

Argyle Senior Boys Rugby hosted its first ever home game in early April, starting off a record-breaking season. The team is currently ranked #1 in the province, a first for Argyle Rugby.

The Junior Boys rugby team is in the playoffs! The team and their coaches have worked extremely hard, finishing the season with a 3-1 record, and will now face Collingwood in the North Shore semi-final match at Klahanie Field on Tuesday May 5th at 4:00 PM. Go Pipers!




Parent Resources

Connecting With Teens: A Conscious Parenting Approach

Whether you're already in the midst of teen angst or have a 7-year-old acting like one, it is never too early, or too late, to learn new parenting skills for connection.

The teenage years can feel like a sudden disconnect, but they don't have to be. This presentation introduces a conscious parenting approach to help you stay emotionally connected, even through resistance, mood swings, and conflict.



Arleen Tyndall, BScPhm, ACPR
 Dr. Shefali trained Conscious Parenting & Life Coach
 25+ yrs Clinical Pharmacist
 Author/Speaker
 Somatic Alignment Facilitator


What You'll Learn:

- ✔ Respond instead of react in challenging moments
- ✔ Understand risk behaviours in teens & prevent addictions
- ✔ Understand what's really driving your teen's behavior
- ✔ Build trust and open communication
- ✔ Repair disconnection and rebuild closeness
- ✔ Create a relationship your teen actually wants to come back to

FREE Online Webinar

📅 Mon May 25th
🕒 6:30 to 8:00 PM

FREE REGISTRATION



In-Person at Capilano Library **Sun May 31st**
 Register www.NVDPL.ca

www.ArleenTyndall.com/events

Register for the Meeting Link & Recording

PAC Updates & Community Information

PAC Updates

Upcoming PAC Meeting

Our last PAC meeting of the school year will take place on May 20th, 2026, at 7:00pm in the school library. We invite all parents and guardians to attend. This meeting will include a review and wrap-up of another successful year.

PAC Chair Opportunity (2026–2027 School Year):

Our current PAC Chair will be “graduating” at the end of the next school year, and we are looking for our next **PAC Chair** to transition-in during the 2026–2027 school year. The current PAC chair and the executive team will provide support to help you step in with confidence.

Why consider it

Make a real impact at the school, connect with families and staff, and help shape a positive school community.

The role

- Lead PAC meetings and help set direction
- Collaborate with the school and PAC team on important issues facing our school community
- Support events and initiatives

Time & flexibility

Just a few hours a month of light involvement. The role is flexible—you can shape it to fit your schedule, choose your level of involvement, and delegate as much as you like. No experience needed—just a willingness to get involved.

Need more information? Reach out to the current PAC chair at ArgylePac@gmail.com to learn more—no commitment required!

Argyle Drama Fundraisers

Argyle Drama is partnering with local businesses for one last fundraiser this year. You can place your order [here](#).

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- All coffee is whole bean coffee, sold in 400-gram bags
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On School Cash Online...

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Moja link for purchasing:
<https://tinyurl.com/94vcr842>