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ÉCOLE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Argyle Senior Boys Rugby Travels to Argentina over Spring Break

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Principal's Update

Hello Argyle families,

Welcome back from Spring break! We hope you had a restful break and are looking forward to the last stretch of the school year.

Please find below updates about what has been going on at Argyle through March, upcoming events, and lots of active fundraisers.

The next three months are some of our favourite in the school year – with spring weather comes more time outside, spring athletics, and wonderful celebrations of learning.

We hope to see you in the school in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,



Laura Ames, Principal

Tim Ireland, Vice Principal

Shahrzad Motaghehi, Vice Principal

Upcoming School Dates

Thursday, April 2nd

Friday, April 3rd

Monday, April 6th

Wednesday, April 8th

Friday, April 10th

Wednesday, April 15th

Thursday, April 16th

Friday, April 17th

Tuesday, April 21st

Wednesday, April 22nd

Monday, April 27th

Senior Rugby Home Opener Game 4pm

Good Friday – Schools Closed

Easter Monday – Schools Closed

Spring Team Photos

Homeroom Schedule – Classes start 8:30am

PAC Meeting 7:00pm – Argyle Library

Learning Conferences (1:15pm student dismissal)

Early Dismissal for Students (1:15pm)

Grade 9 Immunizations

Ministry Assessments – Catch-ups for Grade 11 and 12 students

Parent Information Night: Bring Your Own Device

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)

Student Parking

This is a reminder for all students and families. There are just enough stalls for Argyle staff and visitors. Students who drive to school need to follow parking signage with street parking in the community.

We will be implementing a new parking decal system for grade 12 students this month with limited access to parking stalls in the main lot – more information will be shared with grade 12 students on Teams and with grade 12 parents.

School Updates & Upcoming Events

Parent Information Night – Bring Your Own Device Policy for 2026-27

Please see the information letter that was sent to all families April 2nd, 2026, about a new Bring Your Own Device policy for next year. We are hosting a parent information night on **April 27th at 7:00pm**. We hope you will join us there.

Ministry Assessments – Catch-ups

Argyle is offering catch-up assessments for Literacy 10, Numeracy 10, and Literacy 12 for grade 11 and 12 students on April 22nd. These assessments are required for graduation. Students who have not written the assessment have been contacted directly by Vice Principal Shahrzad Motagehdi. Please contact her directly smotagehdi@sd44.ca if you have any questions or believe your student is missing an assessment. Grade 10 students missing assessments will be contacted to write the assessments in June.

Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey 2025/2026

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is an annual survey that gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Parents of Grade 10-12 students are encouraged to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. [Access the survey here.](#)

On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section. The e-survey site will be open until May 1, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at argyle@sd44.ca

Piper Pride – What’s happening at Argyle?

Learning Conferences

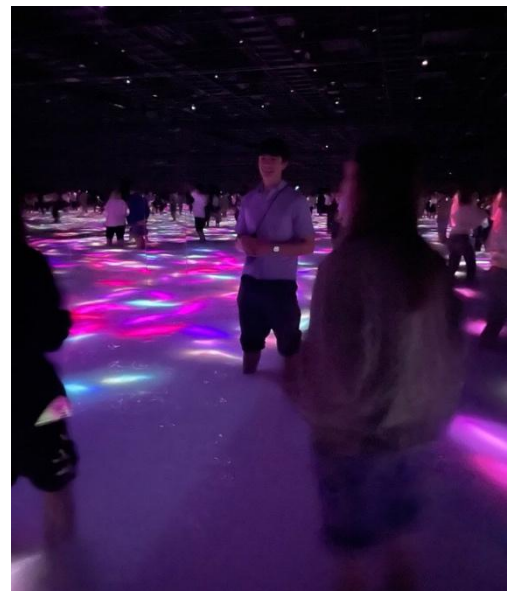
Learning conferences are coming up on April 16th. Parents received information on March 30th about when and how to book meetings with teachers. Meetings will take place between 2:30-4:30pm and 6:00-8:00pm and must be reserved ahead of time with our online booking system. Both April 16th and 17th will be early dismissals for students at 1:15pm.

Digital Media Academy (DMA)

DMA is still accepting applications for 2026-27 school year. See [here](#) for more info about DMA.

[2026-2027 Digital Media Academy Application - NVSD Academy Applications](#)

Did you know DMA is planning a trip to Japan in March 2027 for senior students in the academy program? Reach out to Jennifer VanderMye, DMA Assistant at jvandermye@sd44.ca for more information.



Students at multimedia experience in Tokyo on DMA Japan Trip in 2025

Piper Pride – What’s happening at Argyle?

Pipers in Costa Rica



The Argyle Boys Soccer Program travelled to Costa Rica over spring break to play soccer and enjoy a cultural and educational experience. Highlights of the trip included organizing and running a soccer camp for underprivileged children in San Jose. The Argyle students donated hundreds of soccer jerseys and some soccer equipment for the children in the community. The Argyle team hiked the Arenal Volcanoe, explored La Fortuna waterfall, and enjoyed the Arenal Volcano hot springs. In addition, the team attended the U17 Women's Canada vs El Salvadore World Cup qualifier, cheering Canada to victory. The team also attended a professional match in San Jose.

Pipers in Argentina (cover)

Over Spring Break, the Senior Boys Rugby team travelled to Argentina for an unforgettable tour that was a success both on and off the field. The team competed in competitive matches in Azul and Buenos Aires and participated in a joint practice with an underprivileged club near Pinamar; sharing skills with underprivileged local youth while navigating a field dotted with gopher holes. Beyond the scores, the true highlight was experiencing Argentina’s deep rugby culture. Host clubs welcomed our players with traditional BBQs, gift exchanges, and heartfelt hospitality that crossed language barriers. The team also explored Buenos Aires by land and water, visited the iconic Boca Juniors Stadium, and enjoyed a traditional countryside *asado*. The tour was made possible by incredible community support, with over \$50,000 raised through generous donations and fundraising efforts. The team returns to Vancouver with lasting friendships, a strong sense of camaraderie, and renewed rugby inspiration, including Argentina’s famous love of the “jackal” at the breakdown.

Spring Athletics

Ultimate, Mountain Biking, Golf, Tennis, Girls Soccer, Rugby, and Grade 8 football are off to a roaring start! Watch the website, TVs, and all grades-Teams for home game announcements and chances to come cheer on the Pipers!

Leadership 11 Community Work

In early March, Leadership 11 spent time at **North Shore Family Services** learning about the wide range of programs they offer and supporting their work in the community. After an overview of the organization's services, students rolled up their sleeves and helped sort donations for next year's Christmas Toy Shop.



Parent Resources

Save the Date – Online Safety Presentation

We will be hosting a parent information night on Tuesday, May 5th in partnership with the North Vancouver RCMP about supporting students with online safety. More information to come.

See more information about online safety and parent resources [here](#).

PAC Updates & Community Information

PAC Update

The next PAC meeting will be on Wednesday, April 15th at 7:00pm in the Argyle library. The meeting will include a discussion about Artificial Intelligence, and the shared role the school and parents have in supporting digital literacy.

All are welcome, we hope to see you there.

Argyle Music Association (AMA) Fundraisers

Purdy's Easter Fundraiser

- Order by Sunday March 15
- Pickup at the school on Thursday April 2
- 25% of proceeds back to student accounts or the AMA

[Order here now!](#) Be sure to enter the name of the student(s) you would like to support on the order page!



Growing Smiles Spring/Mother's Day Fundraiser



Order hanging baskets, veggies and herbs, geraniums, and more

- Order by Friday April 24
- Pick up at the school on Friday May 8
- 25% of proceeds back to student accounts or the AMA

[Order here now!](#) Be sure to enter the name of the student(s) you would like to support on the order page!

Homestay families needed

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community in the International Program. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to school to support each student's integration into the school and wider community.

We have secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school terms beginning September 2026 and February 2027. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to the International Education program office at international@sd44.ca. More information about the homestay program is available on the [International Education](#) section of the school district website.