



Friday, February 19th, 2021

Hello Argyle Families,

Thank-you for your continued support of the Argyle community. Your family's efforts and diligence in following COVID-19 safety protocols are appreciated.

In this week's newsletter there are many items related to upcoming student opportunities. While some of these have been on the PA announcements, we encourage you to share this newsletter with your child.

Below you will find information on:

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Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kim Jonat'.

Kim Jonat, Principal

Caren Hall, Vice Principal

John Crowley, Vice Principal



1. Pink Shirt Day

PINK shirt day <https://www.pinkshirtday.ca/about> On Wednesday, February 24th we encourage everyone to practice kindness and wear pink to symbolize that you do not tolerate **bullying**. Pink Shirt Day is recognized throughout BC as an anti-bullying day, promoting acceptance and inclusion. Please wear a Pink Shirt to bring awareness to the day's roots, and to take a collective stance against bullying.

2. Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, February 24th – Pink Shirt Day

Friday, February 26th – Professional Development Day (classes not in session)

Wednesday, March 3rd – Last day of AM face to face & PM hybrid for gr. 9-12

Thursday, March 4th – Delivery Switch for gr. 9-12: AM hybrid, PM face to face

Wednesday, March 10th – Quarter 3 Interims Published to MyEd Portal

3. Spring Athletics

Students interested in playing a Spring Sport need to go to the [Argyle Athletics webpage](#) and complete the survey to join. For any questions, please email Mr. Kelsch. The health & safety of student athletes and coaches remains our #1 priority, and while practice sessions & athletic offerings may look different than other years, we are thankful to be able to provide these extracurricular opportunities.

Spring sports may include:

- Girls Rugby
- Badminton
- Junior Ultimate (Grades 8-10)
- Senior Ultimate (Grades 11-12)
- Girls Soccer
- Mountain Biking
- Bantam Football (Grade 8)
- Bantam Boys Volleyball (Grade 8)
- Track and Field
- Golf



4. Argyle Drama Fundraiser

Help support the Argyle Drama Program and enjoy JJ Bean coffee by completing the attached order form and submitting your order with cash/cheque to Ms. Black at the Argyle Library front desk. Please make cheques out to Argyle Drama Program.

Please submit orders by Monday, March 1st. Pickup dates will be the week of March 8th-12th. Students may pick up their family's orders from the Drama room, and we will also be offering 'contactless delivery' upon request (Argyledramaassociation@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support and happy percolating!



5. “Little Song of Life” – Concert & Chamber Choir Audio Recording

Congratulations to all the choral students involved in the audio recording of a piece commissioned for the Argyle Chamber & Concert Choirs and Mrs. Roberts’ 30th year teaching choir at Argyle. Thank-you to composer & sound editor Andrew Bortz.

If you can spare two and half minutes, click on the link below to listen to the recording. You’ll be glad you did!

<https://www.argylemusic.ca/>

The students are now collectively creating a visual component to be released in March.

6. Student Clubs

A reminder to all students that Argyle has several student clubs. For a listing of the clubs and who the staff sponsors are click [here](#). Students interested in finding out more about a specific club can either message the sponsor, email them, or pop by and see them in person. Some clubs are meeting virtually this year, while others are meeting in person with COVID protocols in place.



7. Academies Application Reminder – Due Feb 21st

The North Van School District offers many highly specialized academies that enhance the overall student experience by providing learning environments that concentrate on a focal skill set.

Students in Grades 8-12 work towards graduation while accelerating their knowledge and skill development in an area of interest that can form a foundation for successful post-graduation pursuits.

The registration deadline for District Academies is Sunday, February 21st. To learn more about the academy offerings please click [here](#).

8. Community Youth Services

This has been a year like no other. We want to remind students that if they are experiencing emotional distress, they can reach out to their grade counsellor in person or through Teams. Grade counsellors can also help students connect to additional support services outside of the school.

Did you know Argyle has a list of community youth services on the website? Click [here](#) to access the list.

9. Grad Yearbook Write-up

Students in grade 12 will be receiving an email from Ms. Malone with information about submitting their Yearbook Write-up. If you are the parent of a grade 12 student, please remind your child to complete and submit their write-up by Monday, March 8th, 2021. This is a very short comment that will accompany their picture in the yearbook. We will also be asking for a more detailed write-up for convocation after Spring Break. If your child does not receive the email from Ms. Malone, they can see her directly or email Mr. Crowley and he will assist.