



Friday, January 15th, 2021

Hello Argyle Families!

This week marked the end of our first full week with students in the new school. Students are settling in well and finding their way around as if they had been here for months. It has been fantastic seeing students accessing different spaces to work such as student break out rooms, collaboration spaces, flex spaces, the multipurpose room in the front atrium, and the library. There is no shortage of spaces for students to find a quiet space to learn. We are happy to see our students enjoying the various learning spaces our new school offers.

This week's newsletter contains information on the following items:

1. Student Safety to/from School
2. Black History Month at Argyle
3. Non-medical Face Masks
4. Yearbooks – Jan 31 ordering deadline
5. Grade 11 Students – January 2021 Numeracy 10 Graduation Assessment Schedule
6. Quarter Turnaround
7. Upcoming Parent Info Nights

Warm regards,

Kim Jonat, Principal

Caren Hall, Vice Principal

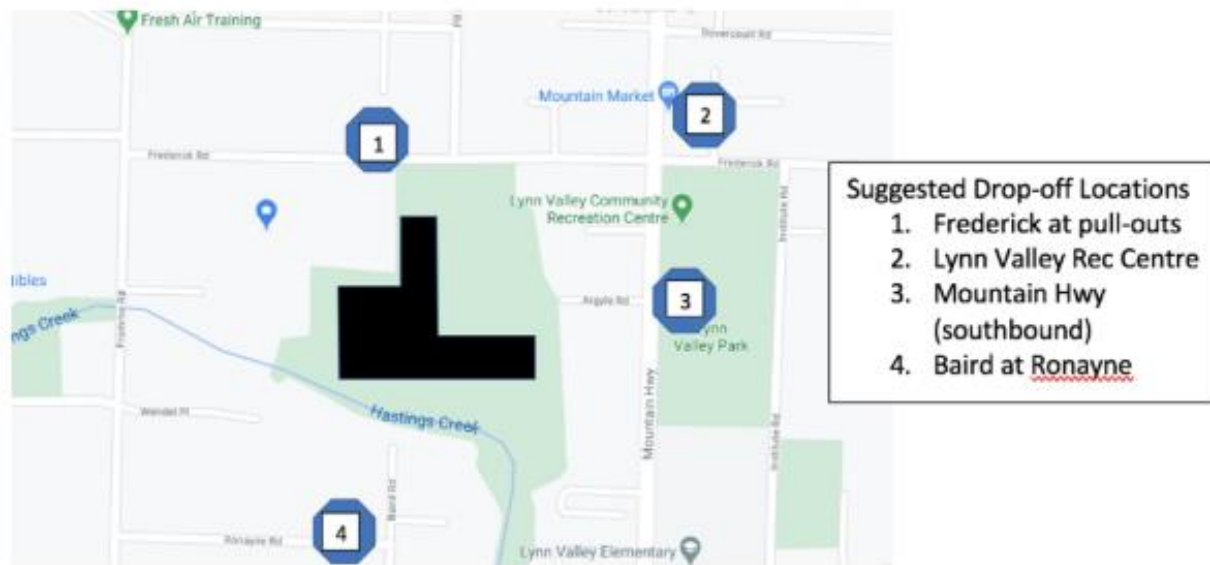
John Crowley, Vice Principal



1. Student Safety to/from School

We are pleased to see most students walking or biking to school. We are reminding students through PA announcements but appreciate your help in reiterating the importance of using sidewalks, crosswalks, and being alert while walking.

A reminder that access to the school via the driveway/parking lot is limited and there is no student parking on site. The parking lot is for staff, tradespeople, and visitors only. There is no student drop off permitted in the parking lot except for students who need support in their entry to school. We request that parents drop off students at the locations indicated on the map below except for students who need support in their entry to school. Please consider meeting your child a block or two away from the school to decrease congestion on the roadways around Argyle, and to increase the safety for students. Note that Argyle Road is an exit only from the parking lot; this is not a recommended pickup/drop off point as the road is small and many students use this as an access point on foot. Also, please be respectful of our neighbours by not stopping or parking in front of their driveways and abiding by all traffic signs.



2. February is Black History Month

In February, the North Vancouver School District and Argyle Secondary School will celebrate Black History month. As we lead or join activities that support the learning of our collective history we will strive to better understand the contributions and struggles of BIPOC Canadians, which will include a broader dialogue of racism and civil rights.



As a lead up to Black History Month, today many of our students and staff are recognizing Black Shirt Day as an initiative to raise awareness of Black history, including the civil rights struggles that Black and racialized people have had to, and continue to face.

At Argyle, we are supportive of this anti-racism campaign, which also marks the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr., a champion and key figure for the Civil Rights Movement. The day celebrates King's birthday and his legacy as a leader of nonviolent activism during the Civil Rights Movement, with successful protests against racial discrimination.

We will continue to highlight Argyle's activities and learnings as the month progresses. Public education plays a critical role in ensuring this dialogue happens in a safe and healthy way for all. We are pleased that our schools and PACs have and continue to take a leadership role by supporting our communities with resources, tools, and opportunities to engage in dialogue and learning, together.

Black History Month – Government of Canada

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html>

Black Shirt Day – Vancouver Sun

<https://vancouver.sun.com/news/local-news/vancouver-anti-racism-advocates-calling-for-black-shirt-day>

Diversity & Multiculturalism – North Vancouver School District

[https://www.sd44.ca/ProgramsServices/DiversityandMulticulturalism/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd44.ca/ProgramsServices/DiversityandMulticulturalism/Pages/default.aspx#/=)

3. Non-medical Face Masks

We are still handing out quite a few masks every day to students who have forgotten their personal ones. We ask for your assistance in ensuring that your child leaves each morning with a mask on, and an extra in their bag.

4. Yearbooks

From Monday January 18th until Friday January 22nd, the student portraits for the 2020-21 Argyle Yearbook will be available for students to view in windows of the main office and nearby rooms. If a student's photo is missing this is because their Personal Information Consent Form



has not been completed. To remedy this, students can speak to office staff. The most common reason is because the Personal Informed Consent Form has not been completed through School Cash Online – this was one of the September start-up forms. An updated portrait section will be displayed the following week, including the students who have since submitted their form. If a student's Personal Information Consent Form is not submitted their picture will **not** be included in the yearbook.

This is also an opportunity for students to ensure that their name is spelled correctly (or to address any other issues with the name as written), and that the preferred photo or retake is used. If there are any issues with the above, students can email argyle.yb@sd44.ca stating what they would like resolved or visit Mr. Altrogge in room 137 between 9:00-9:30AM on any school day.

Please note that **the Yearbook will only be available for purchase until January 31st.** If you want to receive a yearbook, it must be paid for before this date. Purchases can be made online on your student's School Cash Online account (SchoolCashOnline.com: [Welcome](#)).

5. Grade 11 Students – January 2021 Numeracy 10 Graduation Assessment Schedule

The Grade 11's were unable to write their Numeracy 10 Provincial Assessment last April due to COVID. This January 2021 session, we will offer sittings to about 2/3 of our Grade 11's as outlined below. We must keep the students in their cohorts so we are offering limited in-cohort sittings for January. Students not scheduled to write in the January session will be scheduled to write in the April 2021 session.

Students are encouraged to read the information and do the sample assessments posted on the Ministry of Education website [here](#).

Students must arrive 15 minutes PRIOR to Assessment start time

Wednesday Jan 20th

Mr. Lockless' Leadership 11 1-3pm Room 137

Friday Jan 22nd

Mr. Shaw's Co-Op 11 1-3pm Room 183
(grade 11's only)



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Monday Jan 25th

Study, PP, LAC / LSC 11	Period 3	9-11am	LIBRARY
Study, PP, LAC / LSC 11	Period 4	1-3pm	LIBRARY

Tuesday Jan 26th

Mr. Liu's Per 3 Pre-Calc 11	Group B	9-11am	LIBRARY
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Wednesday Jan 27th

Mr. Liu's Per 3 Pre-Calc 11	Group A	9-11am	LIBRARY
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Friday Jan 29th (RCE, Quarter Turnaround Day)

Mr. Pisica's Per 3 Pre-Calc 11	9-11am	134
Ms. Lawson's Per 3 English 11	9-11am	137
Ms. Bell's Per 3 English 11	9-11am	LIBRARY
Mr. Johnson's Per 3 AP Physics 11	9-11am	208

6. Quarter Turnaround

The end of quarter 2 is drawing near. Please make note of the important dates below:

Thursday, January 28th

- Last day of Quarter 2 classes
- Grade 8's face to face for AM and PM classes
- Grade 9 to 12's:
 - o AM class is Group A face to face
 - o PM class is 100% face to face.

Friday, January 29th

- Review, Completion, Enrichment (RCE) Day
- No regularly scheduled classes
- Students wishing to come to the school to complete work need to email or message their teacher in Teams to make an appointment prior to Friday. Physical distancing must be maintained as students from different cohorts may be meeting with a teacher at the same time.



Monday, February 1st

- First Day of Quarter 3
- Grade 8's are face to face for AM and PM classes, as usual
- Grade 9 to 12's:
 - AM Class is 100% face to face (Period 5)
 - PM class (Period 6) is an ONLINE class for all students.

Friday, February 5th

- Quarter 2 Report Cards Published to MyEd Portal

7. Upcoming Parent Info Nights

Due to COVID-19 we will be hosting our annual course programming and post-secondary information nights virtually. Further information about accessing these events will come out shortly but we wanted to ensure parents had these dates noted in their calendars.

7:00pm Thursday, January 28th

Post-Secondary Information Night – Parents of Grade 11 students, parents of grade 10 students are encouraged to attend.

6:30pm Wednesday, February 3rd

Course Programming information for parents of Grade 10 & 11 students

7:00pm Wednesday, February 3rd

Course Programming information for parents of Grade 8 & 9 students

7:00pm Monday, February 8th

Argyle Info & Course Programming for parents of Grade 7 students (information will be sent to grade 7s soon via their elementary schools; info will also be posted on the Argyle Website)