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Boundary e-News

January 15, 2023

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of: January 16 to January 20, 2023

Monday 16	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20
Band & Strings Registration Opens	Hot Lunch Moveable Feast Day			

Dear Boundary Families,

As the rainy season continues, we wanted to remind all of our students and families to make sure they are wearing appropriate rain gear when coming to school. This includes boots, multiple layers and a rain jacket. We want to make sure all our students stay dry and comfortable during these wet days.

Additionally, we wanted to remind everyone that we celebrated Black Excellence Day on Friday. It was a wonderful day filled with learning and celebrating the achievements of black individuals in our community and around the world. We will continue to make sure that our students understand the importance of diversity and inclusion in our school community.

Lastly, we wanted to share some great news with you all. Our grade six students had an amazing experience at Outdoor School this past week. Even through the heavy rains, they learned valuable skills, made new friends, and had a lot of fun. We are so proud of all of them and how they represented our school. A huge thank you to Ms. Dale for organizing and to Ms. Fletcher, Ms. Rush and Mme Mavor for taking the time away from their families for this opportunity to occur for our students.

Thank you for your continued support and stay healthy and safe.

Calendar

Monday January 16 – Elementary Band and Strings Registration Opens

Monday January 23 – Late French Immersion Parent Evening; 6:30 – Argyle Secondary School

Wednesday January 25 – Staff Collaboration Day; **Students Dismissed at 2pm**

Thursday February 2 – Kindergarten Hearing and Dental Screening

Tuesday February 14 – Valentine’s Day

Friday February 17 – District Professional Development Day – **Students Not in Session**

Friday February 17 – Baby Sitting Course

Friday February 17 – Stay Safe; Home Alone Course - Full

Monday February 20 – Family Day – **School Closed**

Wednesday February 22 – Pink Shirt Day

Boundary News

2023-2024 Elementary Band and Strings – Registration Opens January 16th

Registration for the 2023/24 Elementary Band and Strings program will open on Monday, January 16th. The NVSD public webpage for the [Band and Strings](https://bit.ly/2LFPAre) (<https://bit.ly/2LFPAre>) has been updated and now contains the information for the 2023/24 school year.

Early registration is strongly encouraged as the **registration deadline is February 28th**. Registration on February 28th will be used to organize programming and staffing for September. Low registration numbers may result in program cancellations at school sites. Late registration may not be available and where offered, will be based on program availability at your school site and class size.

Late French Immersion Information Session & Application Period

An information session for Grade 5 students and their families interested in the Late French Immersion program (Grade 6 entry) will be held at École Secondaire Argyle Secondary School on Monday, January 23 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. [Sign up for the session here.](#)

Applications to the program will be accepted beginning Monday, January 23 through to Friday, March 3. For more information about the program, including how to apply, visit our [Late French Immersion](#) web page.

Staff Parking Lot – Reposted!

We continue to have numerous students cutting through the parking lot and parents hanging out on the roadway. As mentioned before, we have had a few close calls with students and parents in this area. Please do not walk through the staff parking lot to pick up / drop off your children. If possible, when waiting for your children, please stay off the main pathway of the vehicles. Many of our students are quite small and cannot be seen behind a car before they walk/run across a vehicle’s path.

Puzzle of the Week

This week’s puzzle is now posted.

Please see the end of the newsletter or click on this link; <https://bit.ly/334qWWz> for the latest question.

BPAC News

Hot Lunch Sign up

The first day for hot lunch in the 2nd half is Tuesday, February 7th. A reminder that you need to order a full 7 days prior to the day you wish to receive hot lunch so please order on or before January 31st in order to be able to participate in the first date: boundary.hotlunches.net

Online Auction

We are pleased to announce that we will once again be hosting an online auction this Spring. We were blown away with the support we received from our school community and local businesses and we wish to replicate this!

If you have something you would like to donate please contact chair@boundarypac.ca

Hot Lunch

Hot lunch ordering is now open for the next session at boundary.hotlunches.net.

Playground Subcommittee

We would like to assemble a committee of people who could help navigate the process of procuring a new playground through government grants, private business as well as money the PAC has set aside for this large scale project. Please email chair@boundarypac.ca if you would like to join this committee.

Babysitting Course and Stay Safe; Home Alone

There are still a few spots lefts in the Babysitting Course! (ages 11-15)

We are pleased to say that our Stay Safe; Home Alone (ages 9-13) is **FULL!**

First aid hero, will be running these two courses, at our school on Friday, February 17th. The cost is \$60 per child and registration is available through boundary.hotlunches.net

**** BABYSITTING COURSE ADJUSTED START TIME ****

Babysitting Course – 9:00- 4:00

Stay Safe! Home Alone – 9:00 – 3:00

Each student will receive a manual for their respective courses as well as a certificate.

Social Media

Instagram: [@BoundaryPAC](https://www.instagram.com/BoundaryPAC)

Facebook: [Boundary Pac](https://www.facebook.com/BoundaryPac)

Twitter: [@BoundaryPAC](https://twitter.com/BoundaryPAC)

Website: boundarypac.ca

Boundary PAC Executive

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Reminders

Grade 4 & 5 SnowPass program

The Canadian Ski Council, along with many ski resorts across Canada, are eager to welcome students in Grades 4 and 5 back to the slopes for the 2022-2023 season and offer families an affordable way to do so. For \$29.99 plus applicable taxes, students currently enrolled in Grades 4 or 5 can ski or snowboard twice at participating ski areas. Applications will be accepted until the end of March 2023. For more information and to apply, visit the [SnowPass](#) website.

SD44 Chess Championship

This year's Chess tournament is scheduled for Friday, February 17th, 2022 (Provincial Pro-D) and will take place on the 5th floor of the Education Services Center (2121 Lonsdale). The tournament is free of charge and will start at 9:00am and be done by 3:00pm. If your child is interested in participating, please click <https://bit.ly/3B8vUTi>.

Student and Family Affordability Fund

Through the Student and Family Affordability Fund (SFAF), the school district is supporting students and their families who are feeling financially challenged due to the rising costs of living.

To request financial support at any time throughout the 2022-2023 school year for expenses such as:

- School fees
- School/course supplies
- Clothing/footwear
- Basic Necessities
- Athletic wear (for school athletics)
- Family food security (groceries)
- PAC hot lunch
- One-day field trips

Please complete the form(s) available on the [Student and Family Affordability Fund](https://bit.ly/3TAg8re) (<https://bit.ly/3TAg8re>) web page and submit the form(s) in confidence to Mr. MacLeod.

Should you have any questions or need support completing the form(s), please reach out to Mr. MacLeod. A Frequently Asked Questions web page (<https://bit.ly/3yXswcQ>) is also available.

Have a great week!

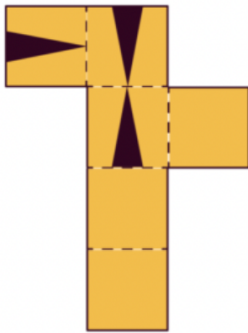
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Principal

Ilona Wardas
Vice-Principal

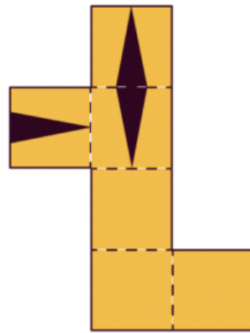
★ PUZZLE OF THE WEEK ★

When folded, which net will make the cube?

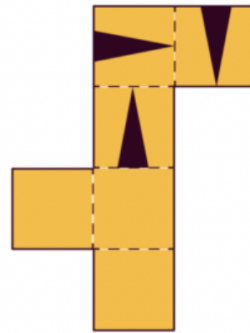
Hint: You may need to cut and fold the nets to help



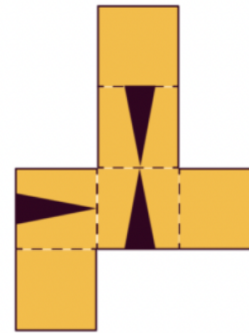
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Be sure to check the next newsletter to see the solution! If you have questions about or suggestions for the puzzle of the week, let Ms. Rush know!

Special thanks to teachstarter.com for the puzzle