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ÉCOLE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

September 2026



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Principal's Update

Dear Argyle families,

It has been a wonderful first month of school at Argyle. September has been an action-packed month of welcome back events and getting students settled into classes. We have welcomed almost 1600 students back to Argyle and classes are now in full swing.

Read below for a snapshot of what has been going on in the school, including our Annual Truth and Reconciliation Day Assembly, Terry Fox Run, the Cheakamus Retreat, Canadian Universities Event, and more.

October promises slower, more routine days at school as students settled into routines.

You can expect to get newsletters in the last week of every month and intermittent updates throughout the month. Curious about an upcoming event? We work hard to keep our website as up to date as possible.

Sincerely,



Laura Ames, Principal

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, October 8th

Friday, October 9th

Monday, October 12th

Thursday, October 15th

Friday, October 16th

Wednesday, October 21st

Friday, October 23rd

Wednesday, October 28th

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Wednesday, November 4th

Thursday, November 5th

Friday, November 6th

Photo Retakes, Fall team photos

Schools Closed – Professional Development Day

Schools Closed – Thanksgiving Monday

Earthquake Drill (Great BC Shakeout)

Japanese School Visit

PAC Meeting & AGM

Schools Closed – Professional Development Day

BC Post Secondary Fair @ Argyle 2:15-3:00pm

Indigenous Celebration Day

Staff Collaboration – Classes start @ 9:50am

Literacy 12 Assessments – Grade 12 classes cancelled

Parent Teacher Interviews, early student dismissal 1:15pm

Early student dismissal @ 1:15pm

School Information

School Fees & Startup Forms

A reminder that all families received an email from the NVSD in early September with instructions on completing the 3 online forms through School Cash Online. If you have not yet done so, please fill these out as soon as possible. If you have any questions about these forms, please call our office at 604-903-3300. These forms do not require any payment. [School Cash Online](#) is simply the platform the school district uses to collect this information. See these [instructions](#) on how to create a School Cash Online account.

School and course fees will be added to School Cash Online accounts in early October. If you need financial assistance with school fees, please contact Principal Laura Ames lames@sd44.ca.

Student Attendance

To report an absence please email argyle_attendance@sd44.ca and include the following information in the BODY of the email: **Full name of student, Date of Absence, Times of absence.**

If a student is marked absent by a teacher, you will receive a phone call and an email notifying you of this absence. If you would like to excuse the absence please reply to the email notification and we can make that change. If the student feels they have been marked absent incorrectly the student needs to speak directly to their teacher.

For planned absences more than 5 days please have your student drop by the office for an “extended absence” form that needs to be filled out the week before the absence.

Argyle Swag Store

Did you miss the “School Store Popup?” The Argyle Swag store has been extended for one week – here is your chance to get Piper pride wear in time for the winter season. All proceeds are returned to Argyle PAC and Athletics programs.

MyEducationBC transition to Aspen Go

MyEducationBC, the application NVSD uses for publishing report cards and other documents, has an updated user interface for parents and students. Features include:

- The same appearance for both desktop and mobile devices;
- A simpler, more intuitive interface; and
- The ability to retrieve published documents with mobile devices has been restored.

Parents will have access to MyEd later this week. There is no action required for families. Your login ID and password remain unchanged, and if you have set up access via the BC Services card, this too remains unchanged.

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Piper Pride – What’s Happening at Argyle?



Welcome Back Grade 12 BBQ

An Argyle tradition is welcoming our grad class back to school with a BBQ on the first day of school. A big thank you to Leadership 11 students who make this event possible!





Terry Fox Run

On Friday, September 18th Argyle took part in our annual Terry Fox Run/ Walk. All 1600 Pipers took a 2km course around the school and raised \$1100 in support of Cancer research. Following the run, the Lynn Valley Lions hosted a school-wide BBQ, a big thank you for their ongoing support!

Fall Athletics

Fall Athletics are in full swing, with our boys soccer, football, Grade 8 rugby, girls and senior boys volleyball, girls field hockey, swim, and cross country teams competing in local tournaments and games. Keep an eye out for home games on our website [here](#) for a chance to come cheer on the Pipers!



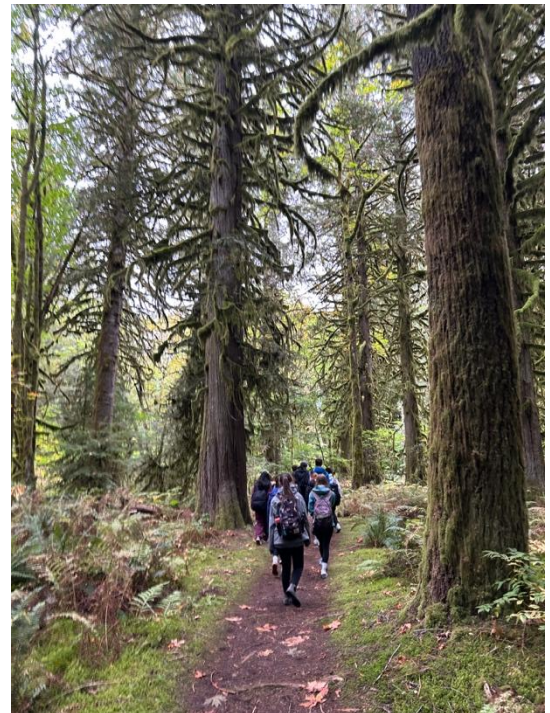


Truth & Reconciliation Day

(Cover) Argyle a whole-school Assembly on Tuesday, September 29th in honour of Truth and Reconciliation Day. We were honoured to welcome Janice Campbell from the Squamish Nation, who shared songs and the history of Lynn Valley with Argyle students.

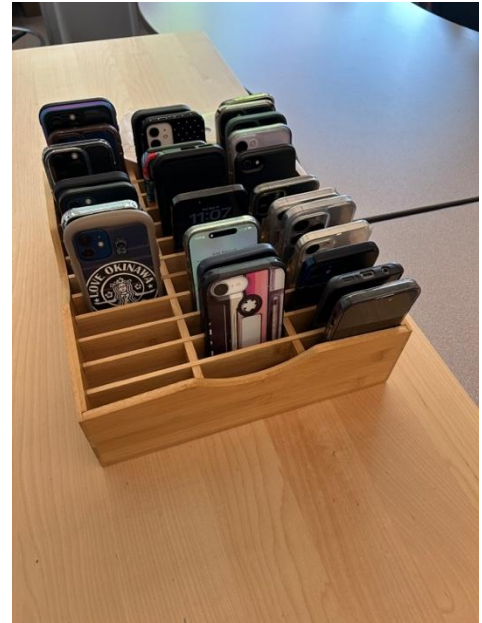
Grade 8 Retreat

On Thursday, September 24th, Grade 8 students attended our annual Grade 8 retreat at the Cheakamus centre. Students had a chance to meet new peers, connect with Grade 11 Leadership students, and learn more about the local environment.



Cell Phone Hotels

Argyle is collecting phones in classes this year. Students are asked to leave their phones at home or in their lockers. Phones brought to class are collected by staff in these “phone hotels” to help keep classes distraction-free. If you need to get in touch with your student during class time for an emergency, please call the office 604-903-3300.



On Friday, October 2nd, Argyle hosted the Canadian Universities Event. Recruiters from almost 50 universities from across Canada visited Argyle to share information with students about post-secondary life.

We will be hosting a second BC-specific Post-Secondary Fair on Wednesday, October 28th 2:15-3:00pm.

&Juliet

On Thursday last week, 22 staff and students from Argyle attended the Broadway Across Canada Performance of &Juliet at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The performance was absolutely incredible, and all who attended were blown away by the incredible tech, the awesome songs from the 2000s, the hilarious Shakespeare references, and the progressive themes about love and self-empowerment. It was such a fun night out with Argyle Drama!

Parent Resources

Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities

Safer Schools Together offers a series of parent information workshops targeting online Safety for families. Please see more information [here](#).

E-Scooter Safety

Does your teen know the rules around e-scooters and e-bikes? See more information [here](#).

Community Information

PAC Updates

The next PAC meeting will be our Annual General Meeting (AGM).

When: Wednesday, October 21st, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Where: School Library, in person

The meeting will focus on the annual financial review of the PAC and electing a new PAC executive.

We encourage all parents and guardians to attend and get involved—whether that means taking on an active role or simply listening in. Your participation, at any level, makes a difference.

Mentors Needed for Volunteer Work Experience Placements

The Argyle Work Experience (WEX) Program gives students meaningful opportunities to explore careers through real-world job placements connected to their future goals.

Our aim is to help students observe, participate in, and learn about a variety of careers and workplace tasks. To make this possible, we depend on the support of local businesses and professionals who are willing to mentor students and share their expertise.

We are currently seeking businesses and organizations that can provide students with a few hours per week of hands-on experience. All industries are welcome.

The more opportunities we can offer, the more impactful the Argyle program becomes, helping students gain valuable life experience while building stronger connections between school and community.

If you are interested in supporting the Argyle WEX Program as a Mentor, please contact our Work Experience Facilitator at rmair@sd44.ca.

Argyle Music Association Samosa Fundraiser

- Order samosas, curries and so much more!
- Order by Sunday, October 11th
- Pick up at the school on Thursday, October 22nd, from 3:00-4:30 PM
- 25% of proceeds back to student accounts or the AMA

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