

# ARROWVIEW ELEMENTARY

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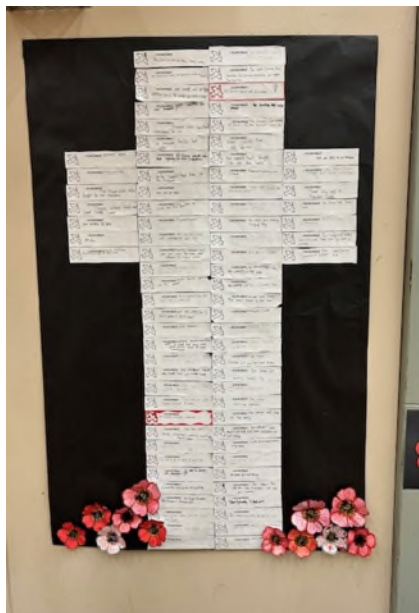
## ADMIN MESSAGE

November was a busy and eventful month at Arrowview! We wrapped up the FSAs and grade-wide assessments, and it was wonderful to see so many families connecting with classroom teachers during conferences. Our intermediate classes had the opportunity to participate in meaningful learning experiences with the Qualicum Legion for Remembrance Day, and our Remembrance Day assembly was particularly special. The students demonstrated exceptional respect throughout the event, and the beautiful artwork displayed in the gym and hallways added to the sense of community.

As the boys' and girls' basketball season nears its end, we're excited for the upcoming tournaments this week. The teams have played exceptionally well, and we are grateful for the dedication of their coaches. Our Book Fair was also a success this year, thanks to Ms. Kuhn and Mrs. Barron for organizing it and making it such a positive experience for everyone.

Looking ahead to December, we have a busy month planned with fun activities organized by the Arrowview Leadership Club. We will also be hosting a Food Drive, with intermediate classes taking the lead in organizing it. The Winter Concert on December 12th is something we're all looking forward to, and we hope to see many families there to enjoy the performances.

As the weather turns colder, please remember to send your child to school with warm clothing, jackets, and appropriate footwear for the wet weather. Wishing everyone a wonderful and exciting December ahead!



### Dates to Remember

**Dec. 2-** Food Drive Begins

**Wed. Dec. 4-** Boys Basketball Tournament at QBES

**Thurs. Dec. 5-** Girls Basketball Tournament at Oceanside.

\*Snow Plow Painting!! And presentations by Main Road Contracting.

\*Ready, Set, Learn by OBLT at 1:15-2:15 in the library

**Mon. Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**-Door Decorating

**Wed. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>**- Concert Dress Rehearsal-10:50-11:50am

**Thurs, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>**-Winter Concert at 1pm and 6pm

\*PAC will have concessions and raffle baskets

**Fri. Dec. 13-** Ugly Sweater Day

\*Learning Updates go home

**Tues. Dec. 17-**PAC Kids Shop- The Library is transformed into a Christmas Shop. All items are \$1 and will be gift wrapped.

\*Staff vs. Students Basketball Game at noon.

**Wed. Dec. 18-**School Dance. Primary 10:20, Int.: 12:10

**Thurs. Dec. 19-**OBLT- Ready, Set, Learn 1:15-2:15

**Fri. Dec. 20-** Pajama Day

**Winter Break Dec 23 - Jan. 6**

## Student Voice

This is your month of November student voice. Let's start off with our girl's basketball team which is doing awesome with their games, not to mention the boys basketball too! Both teams score at least 7 goals every game!

Some classes are doing awesome activities with Kookum like Ms Macleod & Mr G's class who did fish scale flowers, and Ms Proctor's class who did caribou hair tufting. We also had our Remembrance Day assembly where we learned that many kids and teachers had family members who fought and passed away in the war. We also had our Scholastic book fair on the 26th and 27th. Thank you Ms Kuhn and Ms Barron!

Also some classes are lucky enough to use Tinkercad and print ornaments or a backpack keychain! We also have our winter concert where classes will be performing songs. We are so excited! -Emilie V.

## Hello From the office

We have a lot of things happening at the school in December. Please check the Dates To Remember section on pg 1! I sent a few dates out last week that had totally changed so please double check!

- **Please send in any giftable items for our PAC Kids Shop.** On Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> parent volunteers set up in the library and kids purchase items to be wrapped and gifted for \$1 each. It's a fun and lovely event and great to move items along that you no longer need. Declutter! We ask that donations be clean, appropriate (maybe no ashtrays with swear words haha) and in giftable condition. You can send things in with kids for the next few weeks, or drop off at the office. Thank you for your support!
- The kids are rehearsing for the annual Winter Concert on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Show times 1pm and 6pm. PAC will have a concession for refreshments and raffle basket tickets. Cash or Tap accepted.
- Looking for some affordable fun? SD69 kids are eligible to receive a Grade 5 Active Living Card for free admission to swimming, skating and afterschool gym sessions. Grade 6 kids get a 10X Active Pass Card for swimming and skating- I will add the application form to this newsletter, or Follow this link: <https://www.rdn.bc.ca/sites/default/files/inline-files/Active%20Pass%20Reg%20Form%20%28Grade5%20and%206%20%29%20school%20year.pdf>
- Kids in Grade 1-6 can get a ski pass for 3 complimentary day passes to most ski hills in Canada including Mt. Washington for \$39.99. More info here: <https://snowpass.ca/snowstart-kidz-pass/>
- All kids need to have a change of clothes to keep in their classroom for times they get wet and muddy. We also gratefully accept donations of clean leggings and pants to keep in the office as spares. So if you're packing up donations, drop some here for our emergency stash.

- Our lost and found is growing- please check before the winter break as we will be donating unclaimed items. Remember to label items with your kid's name- especially jackets.
- Remember Hot Lunch Friday orders need to be in by noon Sunday the week before.
- School volunteers need a Criminal Record Check completed:  
<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck> Access Code: **2NCAZFWAWT**

#### Hot Lunch Dates

December 6: Sushi  
 December 13: Panago  
 December 20: Extreme



Our Food Drive has begun. Please send in non-perishables and toiletry items for donation to our local Salvation Army Food Bank. Collection box in the foyer.



#### Hul'q'umin'um' Language

Each week on our morning announcements we include Hul'q'umin'um' words that we have been practicing. **Thqet** is the Hul'q'umin'um word for **tree**, **poukw** is the Hul'q'umin'um word for **book**, and **tl'im' xuytl'** is the Hul'q'umin'um word for **it's a cold day**.



Thank you so much for supporting our AES Bookfair! It was a great success. Any items or books ordered will be here before the end of the week.

Over the Christmas break, we are happy to have books checked out to be enjoyed but we do ask that any overdue items kicking around your house be brought back for return or renewal. Season's readings!



# KIDS SHOP

We are so excited to be bringing back one of the most requested fundraisers, the Holiday Kids Shop happening December 17th. An affordable, accessible and FUN "store" for students to purchase a gift for someone they love.

Donated items for the shop must be in **GIFTABLE** condition. Take a walk around your home and clear out some no longer needed items that can bring joy to others.

**PLEASE BRING DONATIONS  
TO THE OFFICE BY DEC 12TH**

Examples:

- Books
- Kitchen Items
- Toys
- Games
- Bath & Body
- Mugs

If you would like to volunteer for this event, please email [arrowviewpac@gmail.com](mailto:arrowviewpac@gmail.com)

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## Celebrate with the City at Cookies, Carols and More!



Get ready for a magical afternoon filled with holiday cheer at the City of Parksville's annual *Cookies, Carols and More!* event. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 7** from 2 to 4.30 pm and gather your kids, families, friends, and neighbours to join in the festivities and fun at the Jensen Centre (132 Jensen Avenue East, Parksville).

Parksville Council is pleased to host this free event for a second year and look forward to seeing you there, spreading joy and holiday cheer! This event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the season with your community, forge new friendships, and create lasting memories. Everyone welcome!

Here are some of the activities we have planned:

- **Live music and entertainment:** Delight in the music of Easy Street Duo and local song leader, Sylvia Humble, for a carol singalong.
- **Crafts and games for kids and parents:** Unleash your creativity with an array of holiday-themed crafts. Kids and parents can collaborate to create beautiful decorations, charming ornaments and other delightful projects to take home and treasure. We've added some fun games to keep little ones entertained.
- **Visit from Santa:** Santa Claus himself will make a special appearance! Bring your cameras for a magical photo opportunity with Santa and share your wish lists with the jolly old man. We will have everything needed to write a letter to Santa, mailed just in time.
- **Christmas cookies and hot chocolate bar:** Savour a delectable assortment of cookies and warm up with a cup of hot chocolate from our hot chocolate bar, customized with marshmallows, whipped cream and other scrumptious toppings.
- **Facepainting:** Add a touch of festive flair with holiday-themed facepainting. Whether you want to transform into a reindeer, a sparkling snowflake, or a twinkling Christmas tree, our talented face painters will bring your holiday spirit to life.

We look forward to welcoming you to *Cookies, Carols and More!* on December 7. Should you wish, donations of non-perishable items will be accepted for the Salvation Army foodbank. Everyone is welcome at this free holiday event.

After November 20, the **North Pole mailbox** will be at 100 Jensen Avenue East ready to collect letters for Santa. Once again, kids can bring letters or write one here, envelopes ready and no postage necessary!

**For more information:**

Deb Tardiff, Manager of Communications  
[communications@parksville.ca](mailto:communications@parksville.ca); 250 954-3073

*The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations, home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*



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# CHRISTMAS SILENT AUCTION

**ONLINE**



[oceansidetrackfield.ca](https://oceansidetrackfield.ca)

Mon 2nd to Fri 6th Dec

Last Bid: 9pm

**FIND THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT!**

[oceansidetrackfield.ca](https://oceansidetrackfield.ca)





# SOS Caring for Community at Christmas

Creating the magic of Christmas  
for local residents since 1968



## Drop-in to register

Starting Nov. 19, low income families and individuals can register at the SOS Community Services Centre in Parksville from 9:15 am - 11:30 am and 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm, Monday - Friday. Parents and grandparents receive help providing gifts for children and youth, and grocery gift cards are provided to adults, seniors and families.

## Support the program

**Financial donations:** Donate online, by phone or in person.

**Gift donations:** New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at the SOS Community Services Centre in Parksville: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 4:30 pm. Attend a local event benefitting the program, or locate an SOS Angel Tree at a participating business.

**Thank you for helping create magic for residents in need!**

**SOS Community Services Centre**

[www.sosd69.com](http://www.sosd69.com) | 250.248.2093 ext. 229

245 Hirst Avenue West, Parksville

[coordinator@sosd69.com](mailto:coordinator@sosd69.com) |    



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## Grade 5 Active Living Card and Grade 6 10X Active Pass Application Form

Grade 5 and 6 students who reside or attend school in School District 69, are eligible to receive a free Grade 5 Active Living Card or a Grade 6 10X Active Pass.

The Grade 5 Active Living Card is available and valid from September 1 to August 31 of students grade 5 school year, provides free admission to public skate and swim sessions, free skate rentals and free registration to afterschool gym sessions.

The Grade 6 10X Active Pass is available from September 1 to August 31 of the students grade 6 school year, provides 10 admissions to public skate and swim sessions.

School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Select Grade: 5 ☐ 6 ☐ as at September 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

***Completed application form must be brought to Oceanside Place Arena or Ravensong Aquatic Centre to be processed.***

Please note there is a fee for lost or stolen cards.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





# SOS Youth Programs in Qualicum

**For District 69 Youth in Grades 7-12**

**School Night Out** **Grades 7 & 8**, Express yourself through arts and crafts, play games, and enjoy dinner with friends. Adult mentors support, guide and listen. Tuesdays, 3 - 6:30 pm.

**Youth Open Space** **Grades 9 - 12**. Connect with others over a delicious dinner, play games, music and pool. Get support and have fun. Thursdays, 3 - 6:30 pm.



**SOS Community Services Centre**

Qualicum Commons | [www.sosd69.com](http://www.sosd69.com)

250.954.9035 |     



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## Health Canada virtual learning experience

This free educational program for grades 4 to 6 provides students with important information about alcohol, cannabis, tobacco and vaping products.



# Get the Facts

Alcohol, cannabis, tobacco, and vaping products can have especially harmful impacts on young people because these substances can affect the way brains develop and bodies work. This is why it's important for students to *Get the Facts* on these substances and to know the risks.

*Get the Facts* is an interactive, free, virtual program presented by two trained facilitators who will engage students with interactive activities and live Q&A sessions.

This foundational information will help younger youth build a mindset centred around healthy choices and encourage lower risk behaviors later in life.



### Agenda:

- What are alcohol, cannabis, tobacco, and vaping products.
- Short and long-term effects of these substances.
- Mental health impacts of substance use & addiction.
- Tips on dealing with peer pressure.
- Available resources.



### The session is:

- For grades 4 to 6.
- 45 to 60 minutes in duration.
- Available in English or French.
- Suitable for groups of up to 50 students.

**Detailed instructions and resources will be provided to teachers upon booking.**

### Technical details:

- Sessions will be hosted on the preferred platform of your school (e.g., Zoom, MS Teams, Webinar).
- Ideally, students will have access to computers, tablets, or mobile phones for each participant.
  - A variety of accommodations are available to adapt the virtual program to fit the technology available to your school and students (contact us to discuss if accommodations are needed).
- The classroom will need access to a digital screen/smartboard/projector to display the live virtual moderator (including audio) to students.



**Sign up your class now or call 647-228-6379 to learn more**



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**DID YOU  
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**Ready, Set, Learn!**

December 2nd 11am – 12pm @ Bowser Elementary  
December 3rd 10:30am – 11:30am @ Ecole Oceanside Elementary  
December 4th 10am – 11am @ Qualicum Beach Elementary  
December 5th 1:15pm – 2:15pm @ Arrowview Elementary  
December 6th 9:45am – 10:45am @ Springwood Elementary  
December 9th 11am – 12pm @ Bowser Elementary  
December 9th 1pm – 2pm @ Errington Elementary  
December 13th 9:45am – 10:45am @ Nanoose Bay Elementary  
December 19th 1:15pm – 2:15pm @ Arrowview Elementary

**Ready, Set, Learn is a free drop-in program  
for children from birth to kindergarten age and  
their parents/caregivers with the intent of  
supporting children's transitions into school.**

Check out our website  
to book your spot:  
[www.oblt.ca](http://www.oblt.ca)





# Advent Calendar

25 DAYS OF FREE OCEANSIDE FUN!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> Family board game or puzzle night	<b>2</b> Tis the Season! Declutter and donate or re-gift something	<b>3</b> <u>Family Storytime</u> at the Qualicum Library: 10:30-11am	<b>4</b> Make <u>homemade</u> gifts for your family and friends	<b>5</b> OBLT's <u>WOW! Run/Outdoor Play</u> at Errington Market: 1:30-3pm (for kids ages 0-6, pre-register)	<b>6</b> Decorate and/or rearrange a room in your house to refresh for the holidays	<b>7</b> City of Parkville's <u>Cookies, Carols &amp; More</u> holiday event at Jensen Centre (132 Jensen Ave): 2-4:30pm
<b>8</b> Take a walk or drive and enjoy all the Christmas lights	<b>9</b> Try an at-home <u>YouTube workout</u> to end the year a little healthier	<b>10</b> Create a <u>handmade table centerpiece</u> - maybe find some materials in nature	<b>11</b> Enjoy a walk in nature or women 50+ join ACRA's <u>Safe Sisters</u> for a walk and social (pre-register)	<b>12</b> OBLT's <u>WOW! Run/Outdoor Play</u> at Meadowood: 1:30-3:30pm (for kids ages 0-6, pre-register)	<b>13</b> Write and hand-deliver a letter to a friend	<b>14</b> OBLT's <u>Robbing Breakfast Club</u> : 9:30-11:30am OBLT Cdn Parents for French <u>Winter Wonderland</u> Skate: 10am-12pm
<b>15</b> Perform a <u>Random Act of Kindness</u> in your community	<b>16</b> <u>Winter Wonderland</u> at Oceanside Place* for families with children aged 0-8: 3:30-5:30pm	<b>17</b> Enjoy a night making tasty <u>holiday treats</u>	<b>18</b> Family movie night with delicious treats and hot chocolate	<b>19</b> Pajama dance party	<b>20</b> This is a great time of year to explore Englishman River Falls	<b>21</b> MP Gord Johns' Everyone Welcome <u>Winter Wonderland</u> Skate at Oceanside Place: 2-4pm
<b>22</b> Parkville Lions & Save-on-Foods' <u>Winter Wonderland</u> Family Skate at Oceanside Place: 1:30-3:30pm	<b>23</b> Spend some time making <u>holiday cards</u>	<b>24</b> Make <u>snowglobes</u> to hang around your house	<b>25</b> Take a holiday photo with your family and/or friends	*Dec. 14th Family Skate is courtesy of OBLT, PacificCare, Sources, & Qualicum First Nations.		

