

ARROWVIEW ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Principal

'Uy skweyul. Good day.

We acknowledge that we live, learn, and play on the traditional territory of the Qualicum First Nation. We are grateful for their ongoing stewardship of this land and for the opportunity to learn from their knowledge, culture, and traditions.

As we begin a new calendar year, we also find ourselves in **THULXWUMUCUN – the Moon of Shining Ice**. January invites us into the heart of winter, a season that asks us to slow down, notice the quiet beauty around us, and care for one another during the coldest days of the year. The shining ice reminds us that even in stillness, there is light – crisp mornings, frosted ground, and the resilience of our community as we move through this season together.

This week, hosted a Learning Round focused on literacy, welcoming teachers from across the district into our building. Together, educators explored effective literacy structures and strategies, engaged in intentional planning for diverse learners, and deepened their understanding of the [Ministry of Education Literacy Progressions](#). These professional conversations strengthen our collective practice and, most importantly, support students in developing strong foundations in reading, writing, and communication.

As we move forward into the new year, the winter season reminds us that meaningful growth often happens quietly – through careful planning, collaboration, and steady attention to each learner's needs. We are grateful for the dedication of our staff and the continued partnership with families as we nurture learning during this reflective and hopeful time of year.

Warmly,

Flo Wong

Principal, Arrowview Elementary

Important Dates

January

5: School Reopens

16: Hot Lunch Extreme Eats 🍔

19: Kindergarten 2026 registration begins

20: PAC Meeting AES Library @ 6:30

23: Hot Lunch Pizza Pizza 🍕

30: Hot Lunch Subway 🥪

February

2: Hot Lunch Shady Rest 🍷

13: Pro-D (No School)

16: Family Day Holiday (No School)

20: Hot Lunch Sushi 🍣

27: Hot Lunch Extreme Eats 🍔

March

6: Hot Lunch Pizza Pizza 🍕

13: Hot Lunch Subway 🥪

Kindergarten 2026 Registration Open January 19, 2026

Online Kindergarten registration (through MyEdBC) for the 2026-2027 school year opens on January 19, 2026. To qualify for Kindergarten enrolment in September 2026, a child must become five years of age on or before December 31, 2026.

Proof of Age for a student includes a birth certificate or passport. Check out the School District website registration page to see what else you need to know.

[https://www.sd69.bc.ca/About/StudentRegistration/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd69.bc.ca/About/StudentRegistration/Pages/default.aspx#/=)

The District will offer a "Pre-Kindergarten" program in April and May. Incoming Kindergarten students must be registered at their catchment school in order to apply to participate in this program. If you have registered your child by Thursday, March 12th you will be sent an



application via email and those who register for Kindergarten after that date will be considered based on available space.

AES Club's Schedule

Monday

Sports w/ Doug (Gym)
Grade 5-7

Tuesday

Recycle Club
Room 10 & 4

Dance
K-Grade 4

Wednesday

Lego Club, all grades
Dungeons and Dragons
Grade 6/7

Thursday

Glee Club
Grade 3-7
Dance
K-Grade 4
Sports w/ Doug (Gym)
Grade 5-7

Friday

Notes

All clubs and activities
at lunch recess

West Coast Weather Reminder

The west coast weather has arrived; rain, wind, and all! Please ensure your child comes to school each day prepared for the elements. We go outside for recess and lunch **rain or shine**, so waterproof jackets, boots, and warm layers make a big difference in keeping everyone comfortable and ready to play. A little preparation goes a long way toward making outdoor time fun for everyone, no matter what the forecast brings!



Walk Your Wheels



A friendly reminder that for everyone's safety, students are not permitted to ride bikes, scooters, or other wheeled devices on school property. With active traffic during arrival and dismissal times, it's important that all students *dismount* once they reach school grounds and *walk their wheels* to the designated parking areas. The same applies at the end of the day—students must walk their bikes or scooters off school property before riding. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe!

Reminders From the Office

Lost & Found Reminder

👉👊 Please remember to label all items, especially hoodies, jackets, water bottles, and lunch kits. A name inside makes it so much easier for us to return belongings quickly.



Did you know? You can view our lost and found items on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61574771672785>.

You don't need a Facebook account to view. Thank you for helping us reunite students with their belongings!

Absences

😞😞 To report a student absence, please use the [School Messenger App](#).

If it's been three days of consecutive absences, the app will not let you enter a fourth. You can either call the school to report the absence or email attendance@sd69.bc.ca

Personal Items

We kindly ask families to help us discourage students from bringing personal items to school, such as high-value makeup, Pokémon cards, electronic toys, and other special belongings. These items can be distracting in the learning environment and, unfortunately, we are not responsible for any personal items that are lost, stolen, or damaged. To avoid disappointment, please remind your child to keep these treasures at home. Thank you for your support!

Extra Change of Clothes

📢👔👖 Please ensure your kids have a change of clothes to keep in their classroom/backpack for any emergencies, as we make our way through a La Nina fall and winter season.

School Volunteers and Criminal Record Checks

👤 School volunteers need a Criminal Record Check completed:
<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck> Access Code: **2NCAZFWAWT**

Student Phone

📞 Reminder that kids are not permitted to make playdate plans from the student phone in the office. We ask that if they want to make social plans that they first go home after school and then make their arrangements. If you do receive a call from your child trying to lay out a social plan, please remind them of this rule.



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Ready, Set, Learn!

- Springwood Elementary** – January 7th & 21st @ 10:30am – 11:30am
- Bowser Elementary** – January 12th & 19th @ 10:30am – 11:30am
- Errington Elementary** – January 12th & 19th @ 1pm – 2pm
- Arrowview Elementary** – January 14th & 28th @ 1:30pm – 2:30pm
- Nanoose Bay Elementary** – January 16th @ 10:30am – 11:30am
- Qualicum Beach Elementary** – January 26th @ 10:30am – 11:30am
- Ecole Oceanside Elementary** – January 27th @ 9:10am – 10:10am

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



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