

June Newsletter: Part 2

Farewell Edition

Goodbyes & Best Wishes to Staff/ Welcome

Each year we say goodbye to a few staff members who are leaving AVPS for a variety of reasons and to a number of new locations. While we are sad to see them leave, we wish them the very best in their new adventures at a new location. Best wishes to Mr Remillard who will be moving to Edward Johnson in September and to Mme Closs who will be moving to Rockwood full time. We are sad to say goodbye to Mme Ronconi, who will be joining the team at Kortright Hills. We would also like to wish staff members that will continue on leave in September, all the best!



We would like to wish Mme Beddard our CYC all the best as she heads into retirement and starts a new adventure. We wish you health and happiness in your retirement.

We would like to thank Mr. V (Vandervaart) for being the temporary principal for the last 8 weeks of school.

Joining us in September, as the new principal will be Mme. S. Hare. We look forward to working with her next year and wish Mme Harrison a happy retirement.

Teams Track and Field, Ultimate Frisbee, Update



The Intermediate track and field meet was held June 13, after a first time smoke warning delayed the original date. This year's intermediate track and field team came out on top in too many events to count. It was a day of tough competition and determination. Each of our relay teams placed first and Arbour Vista placed first in our division overall against 11 other schools.

Not only did each individual show true viper spirit but as a school we demonstrated our talent and athleticism. Congratulations EAV!

The Junior track and field was held the next day. We are incredibly proud of the hard work that Arbour Vista students and staff have done to prepare for this wonderful special event.

Thank you to Mme Beesley, M Gerges, Mme Gat and Mme Sylvestre and Mme Siversky for organizing, practicing, encouraging, and helping students to demonstrate their best at the meet!

Thanks to Mme Beesley for coaching the Intermediate Ultimate Frisbee team. The intermediate ultimate frisbee team traveled down the road to Sir Isaac Brock to compete in our annual tournament. The students played with skill and sportsmanship, returning undefeated and winning in the finals against Willow Rd. The final game was a great level of competition and enthusiasm for the game. Well Done Vipers!



Thanks to Mme Sylvestre for coaching the Junior Ultimate Frisbee team June 22, 2023. During the months of May and June, students in grades 4-6 were introduced to the sport of Ultimate Frisbee through intramurals during recess. Following the intramurals, a team was made to participate in an inter-school tournament on Thursday, June 22nd. During the tournament, our Arbour Vista team represented our school well. Students played as a team and demonstrated sportsmanship and respect for each other and the other teams. Great job, Arbour Vista.

We would also like to thank the teachers running intramurals for our students at recess. Playing Ultimate Frisbee with their friends at school.

Talent Show

Thank you to M Webb and Mme Neufeldt for organizing our talent show this year. Students will be sharing their talents with us on June 28, 2023 during the second and third blocks. M Webb and Mme Newfeldt have had students practicing for the last month, making a performance list, timing acts and putting the finishing touches on the show with a full dress rehearsal. Students have been practicing for their moment in front of their peers for the last month, putting their heart and soul into their performances. If you are able, please join us on Wednesday June 28, starting at 1:00, performances start at 1:15 pm.



Jump Rope for Heart

Thank you, Viper families, for all your support with the Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser! With your help we managed to raise over \$3500.00 towards the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada. On Thursday, June 22, 2023, students and staff spent the entire day participating in activities such as, jump rope, bean bag toss, hula hoops, 4 square, relay races and shooting on the soccer net all with the help of our amazing Grade 8 volunteers. There were smiles all around as the whole school participated in this fun filled day! Huge thanks to Mme De Nardis and Mme Waters for your leadership.



Math Contest

Thanks to M. Gerges for organizing the Gauss Math Contest. We had nearly 50 intermediate students participate. We had 5 grade 7 students score 75% or higher, 7 grade 8 students also score 75% or higher and one student who scored 100%. Students scoring 75% or higher received a certificate of achievement. What a great way to test yourself and show your math skills. Congratulations to all students who participated and did their best!



Supporting Literacy at Home over the Summer



Thank you for supporting your child's literacy development and joy of reading at home.

In the Upper Grand District School Board, we are focusing on the Big 5+ Ideas that support reading & literacy development. These Big 5+ Ideas include, Phonological Awareness, Phonics, Vocabulary, Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension and Written Expression. These Big 5+ ideas are important components of literacy instruction in the classroom as well as support at home. This document provides suggested ideas that require little to no preparation to help support foundational literacy skills at home.

Please feel free to engage in these activities in French, English or the primary language that is spoken at home. There are many skills and abilities that transfer between different languages.

These skills can include phonological awareness skills, phonetic skills, comprehension strategies, higher-order thinking skills and familiarity with text formats, such as books, manuals, recipes and websites. For multilingual learners, it is important to foster and support these early literacy skills in a child's first language.

Please click on links below to access these literacy supports.

[The Big 5+ of Reading Development. A Guide to Supporting at Home \(English\)](#)

[The Big 5+ of Reading Development. A Guide to Supporting French Immersion at Home](#)



Congratulations to all of our Grade 8 students, who are transitioning to highschool. We look forward to celebrating with you June 27, 2023 @ 6:00pm. The ceremony will begin promptly at 6:00pm. A reminder that each student was allocated 4 seats for family members, to ensure we comply with fire code.

On Behalf of the Staff at Arbour Vista, we would like to wish all our community members a safe, healthy and restful summer.

See you in September 2023.