

# Meadowbrook Elementary

## *A Reggio Influenced Learning Community*

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### From the Principals Desk

It has been a busy couple of weeks here at Meadowbrook. Last Wednesday we had COPS for Cancer stop by for a visit and on Friday we had a successful Terry Fox Run. Our small community stepped up and donated over \$3000 for COPS for Cancer, and over \$800 for the Terry Fox Run. Our learners had a great time seeing Mr. Gill's head shaved and one of them getting a chance to throw a pie in my face as a reward for their fundraising efforts! On Tuesday we had Michael Mitchell come by and perform some of his original Canada is for Kids songs. Last Friday two classes took up the global cardboard challenge inspired by the short film Caine' Arcade. Check it out when you have a chance <http://cainesarcade.com/>. Every newsletter this year will include a write up from one of our classes. This month Mrs. Maclean's Grade 3/4 class tells us what they have been up to:

**Division 3 (the Cedar class)** has been off to an exciting start this year! Our learners wanted to share what they have been exploring in September / October. Here is what they have to say:

We are learning about a book called City of Ember. We like it because it's full of suspense and it's fun and mysterious. It's a good book to help us visualize. We created a wonder wall and asked questions about the City of Ember. For example, "I wonder what is behind the roped off door?" And "I wonder what the builders' names were?" We are trying to create the City of Ember with our imaginations. We are using paint, cardboard boxes, Lego, and blocks. We are hoping our classroom will turn into the City of Ember! Also we are making a classroom newspaper called... Meadowbrook news from the eyes, minds and hearts of the cedar learners! We also try to solve puzzles in the city of ember.

## Upcoming Events

### PAC Meeting

Monday Oct 16th - 6:30pm in Library

### Provincial Pro D Day – Friday

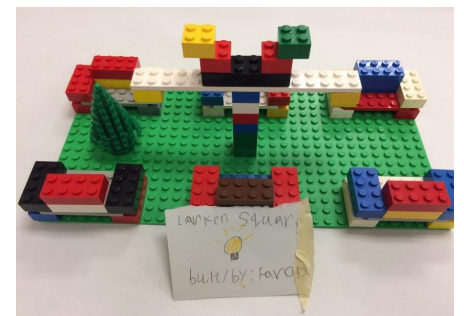
Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>

### Picture Day – Monday Oct.

23<sup>rd</sup>

### Check us out on Twitter-

@MeadowbrookSD43





We are also learning about nature and the ecosystem. Our class made nature names like deer mouse, western coyote and bull thistle. We made an outdoor classroom and all of us found a sit spot in a forest area! We also do story workshop to explore and create things with nature and that represents stories.

We make patterns with different art materials like different loose parts and nature.

An artist comes to our school to teach us different ways to make art her name is Sara she is one of our school friends mom. We are a lucky class! We like to be creative and we find new ways to express our creativity with nature.

- By the Learners of the Cedar Room (aka Div. 3)

### Drop off/ Pick up Zone

Please remember to use the drop off/ pick up zone as intended, and not to park your car there when you need to come into the school. As many of you have noticed we have had a couple visits from a Bylaw officer with the City of Coquitlam. They are helping to ensure our parking areas are used appropriately.