



# Miller Park Weekly Express

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Wednesday,	Feb. 12	100 <sup>th</sup> Day Celebration (Div. 9, 10, 11)
Thursday,	Feb. 13	Wear Pink/Red Day
Friday,	Feb. 14	School Not in Session Day
Friday,	Feb. 14	PAC Babysitting/Stay Safe Course for students who have signed up
Monday,	Feb. 17	BC Family Day Holiday
Wednesday,	Feb. 19	PAC meeting 9am in the Library
Monday,	Feb. 24	Bookfair begins
Monday,	Feb. 24	Spring Conferences & Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
Wednesday,	Feb. 26	Pink Shirt Day
Wednesday,	Feb. 26	Spring Conferences & Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
Thursday,	Feb. 27	Monthly Assembly & Slide-show 2pm
Friday,	Feb. 28	Pro-D (no school for students)

### Message from the Principal

Hello Miller Park families,

As usual January just flew by, and we are already through the first week of February! It's been an exciting time for our community with many winter field trips, super fun snow play at school, and celebrations of learning in our different grade group teams!

Just a reminder that there are three short weeks coming up for all Coquitlam School District students and staff. Next Friday is a School Not in Session Day, and the week after that is a District Pro-D day. There will not be anyone at the school on these days. The following Monday is the BC Family Day Holiday. I hope you can plan ahead to enjoy an extra-long weekend away from work and school.

### CROSS CATCHMENT INFORMATION FOR SEPT 2020

#### HOW DO I APPLY FOR CROSS CATCHMENT FOR MY CHILD?

All Kindergarten students must be registered for Kindergarten at their catchment school before completing a Cross Catchment Application. Applications for cross catchment transfers will be accepted **February 6 to February 12, 2020**.

Kindergarten students who have a sibling at a school outside their catchment will be accepted at the sibling's school (provided the sibling will still be in attendance the following school year) and are requested to register at the sibling's school on February 3, 4 or 5, 2020. Therefore, Kindergarten parents do not need to fill out a cross catchment application verifying sibling status. The exception to this is for a Program of Choice. Parents must complete the online Kindergarten Programs of Choice application for siblings to attend the same program. Kindergarten children with siblings in a Program of Choice must still apply online.

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CAN I USE MY CHILDCARE FACILITY ADDRESS TO DETERMINE MY CHILD'S CATCHMENT SCHOOL? No. According to the School Act, enrolment can only be based on the home address.

WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR REGISTERING MY CHILD?

View the "Funding Eligibility Checklist" for documentation required for registration found at [www.sd43.bc.ca/programs](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/programs).

Please note applications will be processed based on the the availability of space in schools and on a **RANDOM DRAW PROCESS**.

## Invitation to Participate in the 2020-2021 Budget Process

The Board of Education appreciates and recognizes your many and valuable contributions to our school communities. With that in mind, we wish to invite you to participate and share your input at our first budget meeting on **Tuesday, February 11, 2020**, in advance of staff preparing the budget. Your input can help shape the budget proposal for the Board of Education to consider in April 2020.

If you or your group would like to provide feedback on the proposed budget, please refer to the [2020-2021 Guidelines for Stakeholder Input](#) and submit the information through [this online process](#) before 9 a.m. on Monday, February 3, 2020. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer at 604-939-9201 or email [jtoderas@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:jtoderas@sd43.bc.ca).

In addition, we welcome your attendance at any of the three stakeholder information and feedback events in April below:

**Regular Public Meeting - Presentation of 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget** | Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 7 p.m.

**Special Public Meeting - Stakeholder Feedback** | Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

**Regular Public Board Meeting - Final Budget Presentation and Board Approval** | Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 7 p.m.

All events will be held at Winslow Centre Gymnasium, 1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam, BC. Learn more: Visit the SD43 Budget website at [www.sd43.bc.ca/budget](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/budget)

Sincerely,  
Mr. Jonathan Sclater

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## PAC & Community News

The next PAC meeting is Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the Library. All are welcome to attend.

### WINTER WEATHER INFORMATION

In the event of a district-wide or partial-district closure due to extreme weather this will be decided and communicated by 6:30 a.m. via the **School District 43 website [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)** and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio. Please do not phone the school. If Miller Park or School District 43 is not mentioned as being closed, then school is in session.