

# ÉCOLE MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Newsletter #8—2015/16 April 2016

## **Principally Speaking**

"Creativity is seeing what everyone else has seen, and thinking what no one else has thought." Einstein

We are in the final stretch of what has been another busy and rewarding year! From here on in, everything moves very quickly. This week we began to welcome next year's incoming students through our articulation process. Mr. Kolkea and a selection of gr. 7 student ambassadors visited six of our local elementary schools this week. Later this month, our student services staff visit elementary associate schools to meet with the grade 5 teachers. Later in May, classbuilding begins as we prepare for our third year at École Moody Middle School of the Arts. Similarly, secondary school staff will be visiting with our teachers this month to discuss the grade 8 students before they enter the final stage of their middle school education.

Our pod art installations with ArtStarts community artists is now engaging all students at Moody. Each student's creativity is contributing to an installation that will reflect our school-wide theme of water. To follow the journey of our learning through the arts just follow the link at the top of our website called:

#### Our Learning Journey Through the Arts

Check back regularly with our website to see the examples and progress of our vision of learning through the arts. Students and staff alike are integrating and innovating learning through the arts in all pods. There is certainly learning for each of our students to talk about at home every day.

We hope to see you this week at one of our evening performances of our annual spring musical. This event is a cornerstone of our school of the arts and involves many students from all grades and many staff and adult volunteers. The music, costumes and set design are sure to provide the backdrop to another incredible production from the cast and crew at EMMSOTA you won't want to miss.

Thank you for reading our newsletters, visiting our website or...

#### **ATTENDANCE**

To report a student missing or late, please call the office at 604-461-7384 or email

<u>MoodyMiddleSecretary</u>

@sd43.bc.ca

Please provide the student's name, teacher's name or division and the reason for the absence.

- Thank you!



communicating with your child's teacher to keep up to date with all things Moody.

Mr. Trevor Kolkea, Principal tkolkea@sd43.bc.ca

#### **Satisfaction Survey (Gr. 7 Parents Only)**

The BC Ministry of Education Satisfaction Survey is for students in grades 4, 7, 10, 12, their parents, and all school staff. It is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The Information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

We encourage parents to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus on improvement. This year the survey can again be completed electronically.

Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is quite simple. We would appreciate Gr. 7 parents taking time to complete the Satisfaction Survey by clicking on the link below. To log in to the survey select District: 43 Coquitlam and then select Moody Middle as the school.

https://www.awinfosys.com/surveyfull1/central/main/ParentSurvey.asp

The survey closes at the end of April.

#### **MOODY MIDDLE IS...**



Construction: In case you haven't visited our Construction Update button on our website, just click:

Construction Updates here



Picture from this past week... Construction continues on the foundation and walls!

#### Counselor's Corner

#### Parenting in the 21st Century:

Please sign up for this really great event on Thursday April 21st, from 6pm - 8:30pm in Coquitlam - all about

**kids & anxiety**. This event is free, but you must register.

Please see the 'Parenting in the 21st Century' link in our Community Corner at the end of this newsletter

Register at: http://cymhsuanxiety.eventbrite.ca

<u>Please note:</u> the event may be canceled if too few people sign up, so sign up right away to help ensure it happens!! (We will let you know if cancellation happens though, so watch for emails.)

\*\*please note that child minding is NOT available.

M. Armstrong marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca

### On-line payment begins at Moody!

We have introduced a new online payment system that will allow you to view and pay you child's student fees safely and conveniently online. We encourage you to register your account online now!

In future, we will be using this system for all forms of payments, as well as signing permission forms! Field trips, school activity fees, spirit wear, art class registration, etc will all be available online

Here's how to get started:

Go to https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com

Click on "Get Started Today"
Create your account
Enter first and last name; click continue
Enter fields: address, phone number, e-mail address; click continue
Choose a password and security question
Make sure to OPT IN to receiving e-mail notifications for updated school information
Thank you for your participation.



## **Project Change**





Our school's environmental club has a few projects on the go. The students have been gardening, and have decorated a few outdoor spaces with flowers. We would happily accept any flowers you may have to make more beautiful spots. We are starting our indoor vegetable greenhouse this week. The Moody market continues every second Friday. We appreciate donations of used clothing (spring/summer), accessories, games, and fashion accessories. Next week in honour of Earth Day we are having the annual "Light's Out" day. We challenge all divisions to go as long as they can without the lights on. We also keep some lights off in other areas of the school too.

For more information contact Christine McLellan at <a href="mailto:cmclellan@sd43.bc.ca">cmclellan@sd43.bc.ca</a>



#### Save the Date:

Monday June 27<sup>th</sup> Awards and Year End Assembly Celebration. Begins at 10:30.

Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>
Gr. 8 Leaving Ceremony. Begins at 5:30.

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#### MUSICAL THEATRE

## Moody middle swims with Little Mermaid Jr.

JANIS WARREN THE TRI-CITY NEWS

About a quarter of Moody middle school is in this year's spring musical production, a show chosen because of its water-based theme.

A total of 74 students in grades 6 to 8 at the School of the Arts will present the Disney classic The Little Mermaid Jr., from April 19 to 21.

Director Jane Ono, who also stitched most of the costumes, designed the sets and choreographed the dance steps, said students were invited to the open call in January to try out for one — or more — of the characters.

And Payton Dembicki was picked for the starring role because of the Grade 8 talent's exceptional singing and acting skills, Ono said.

The storyline revolves around the mermaid princess who makes a deal with a sea witch in order to meet a human prince on land.

One said the school is currently studying about water and working with artists-inresidence to create marine projects (Moody is also split into pods with names based on the elements: earth, fire, water and wind).

Ono gave kudos to the kids and staff for pulling off the production. Teacher Michelle Reichert provided musical direction while Shelley Eglestad, Chris Magnusson and Caroline Parker as well as SFU student teacher Caitlyn Inkster offered assistance at rehearsals and after school.

Disney shows have been popular in School District 43 this year, with both Archbishop Carney and Gleneagle secondaries producing Beauty and the Beast.



JANIS WARREN/THE TRI-CITY NEWS

The leads in Little Mermaid Jr.: Luoy Robinson (Sebastian), Logan Davidson (Prince Erio), Payton Dembicki (Ariel), Riley McCartney (Ursula), Grace Finlay (Flounder) and Jovan Jovicio (King Triton).

• Tickets for The Little Mermaid Jr. are \$8/\$4 and available at the door on show night at 7 p.m. They can also be bought in advance through the school (3115 St. Johns St.). Call 604-461-7384.

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Follow us on Twitter @43moody! If you don't already follow us on Twitter here are a few posts you have missed:

Little Mermaid swims through Moody middle https://shar.es/1joTVp via @tricitynews @sd43bc @disney @43moody #portmoody

Make a school while the sun shines! Today's construction update from @43moody

GOT TALENT? enter here for the talent showcase as part of #pomoyouthartsfest... http://ow.ly/10kBTb @CityofPoMo



LFI Students to visit Quebec!

The Late French Immersion students will be going on a school trip to Quebec next spring. They will be visiting Montreal and may be able to catch the end of the world famous Quebec Carnaval. The students will be staying at the Auberge du Mont, a renovated school about 30 minutes outside of old

Quebec City. This is a chance for the French Immersion students to use their French in an authentic setting.



#### FIRE POD THIS MONTH:

The students in Fire Pod have been very busy learning and participating in many activities since spring break. In Humanities, some students have been learning about Egypt and poetry. In math, they have been using games and manipulatives to learn about probability and statistics. Other students have been involved with a novel study based on the book "Number the Stars" which focused on themes of friendship and bravery.

In the next week, students are reminded to bring in (1) permission form to attend the play Beauty and the Beast at Glen Eagle (2) a \$2 donation to the Children's Hospital for Formal Day (Jeans Day) (2) Camp permission form for our grade 8 students.

Karim Selim (Div. 3) says "This week has been really fun, in PE we did relays where if you did really good, you won candy!"

Mr. alex abello

Fire Pod Team Leader

**Earth Pod** began a series of **ArtStart** sessions with **Marísa Pahl** this month!

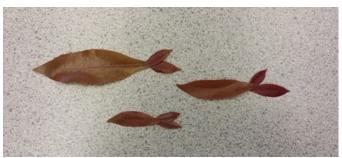
Our theme continues to be **WATER** and our focus will be a **20 Day Creative Challenge** using various artistic processes. The **photo** you see here shows a student example of **Nature Collage**, just one of the new processes we have tried. Students will choose a process and a topic to be the focus of their 5 minute art sessions for 20 days. Ask your child to tell you about their design for their **Daily Creative Challenge**.

**Please note:** This project will officially begin on **April 26 & 27** and last 20 days...so get your materials together, hand them in to your homeroom teacher and prepare for 20 fun days of **Creativity**.

#### **EARTH POD:**

Div 7 (French Immersion) celebrating April Fool's (Poisson D'Avril – Fish of April) and our school-wide theme of Water





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#### Me to We News

Ruben's Shoe Collection Contest Results Proudly supported by *The Me To We Club* Lead by Ms. Egelstad

Congratulations Moody! Our Ruben's Shoe Collection Contest was very successful! We collected a total of **182 pairs of shoes** to send to the Dominican Republic. This will help many children get to school and many adults with their daily chores and work.

Well done everyone! All classes participated, and the top 3 donating classes were:

Mr. Letourneau's Div. 7 class collected47 pairs of shoesMs. Reichert/Ms. Baboi's Div. 1 class collected34 pairs of shoesMr. Pillsbury's Div. 8 class collected32 pairs of shoes

Our Next Initiative is Jean's Day (aka: FORMAL DAY) In support of the BC Children's Hospital J

**Event Date:** April 28<sup>th</sup> (Thursday)

Dress Code: Your best outfit and shoes, something dressy or anything that you don't normally wear to school.

(NO JEANS!!!)

**Donations:** \$2 or more to receive a **button** and entry for \$100 gift card

\$20 or more will receive a silver lapel pin and a tax receipt





#### All Write-On Writers...

It's time to start wrapping up our NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) stories from November so you can get that printed copy of your own book! We are meeting again after school on Wednesday/Thursdays May 4th and 5th and each Wed/Thurs after school after that, 3-4:30 pm! We need to get our edited stories done so we can get them to the publisher no later than May 12th.

Mrs. C. Parker

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Congratulations to our three finalists from EMMSOTA who represented our school at the District Public Speaking Contest recently.

Ki-Seon P. earned a silver medal at the grade 8 level. Mena S. from grade 7, received a gold medal Faith M. was awarded a silver medal.

Once again this year the District competition included all of our 14 middle schools.

#### **PAC Contacts**

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## Community Corner

We have many community related activities posted on our website. Check for the latest information on art programs, sport programs, community classes, athletic clubs, community news, Parks & Recreation activities, and more...

http://www.sd43.bc.ca/ middle/moody/Pages/ publications.aspx



#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Please see all our upcoming important dates on our website calendar—the next page includes our most current events

http://Moody Middle Calendar

École Moody Middle School of the Arts

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## **École Moody Middle School of the Arts upcoming IMPORTANT DATES...**



Every Friday is Spirit Wear day—students are encouraged to wear any 'Moody Middle Wear' - spot prizes are given out each Friday!

#### April

- · Ongoing—ArtStarts with Marisa Pahl & Adrian Walker
- Sat Apr 16—Spring Play full day rehearsal
- Mon Apr 18—Spring Play morning performance for Elementary Schools
- Tues-Thurs Apr 19-21—Spring Play evening performances
- Fri Apr 22—EARTH Pod Term 3 Explorations ends
- Fri Apr 22—Michael Bortolotto (professional speaker)
- Mon Apr 25—Term 4 Earth Expo begins
- Tues Apr 26—SHARE gr. 8 presentations on Health promotion/youth substance abuse

#### May

- Tues May 3—Jeunes chanteurs d'Acadie (Visiting choir from New Brunswick)
- Wed May 4—Emergency Release DRILL
- Fri May 6—Friends of Simon field trip to SFU
- Fri May 6—Advanced Band day @ Summit Middle
- Fri May 13—Non-instructional day—schools not in session
- Mon May 16—Vancouver Art Gallery field trip
- Thurs May 19—Newsletter #9
- Fri May 20—Pro D—schools not in session
- Mon May 23—Victoria Day—schools not in session
- May 24-May 27—Mossom Creek Hatchery visits
- Thurs May 26—Grd 6 Immunizations
- Mon May 30/Tues May 31—Vancouver Art Gallery field trips

#### COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND INFORMATION





## 2016 ONLINE Registration for .... Middle School opens 6AM Friday, April 29th

Middle Skill Building Dates:: Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29

Time: 8:45 am to 11:45 am daily. Location: Hillcrest, Kway, & Scott Creek

Grade 9 & 10 Skill Building\* Dates:: Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29

Time: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM daily Location: Charles Best

- ▲ Students must have an account with our online system BEFORE registering for courses.
- ▲ Please visit our website and create/update your account now.
- ▲ To create an account you will need your child's PEN number, which is available at your home school.

Middle Skill Building: Art, Band, Computers, Creative Writing, Drama, English Language Arts, English for Beginners, French Language Arts (Kway only), Math, Montessori, Science, and more.

\*Secondary Skill Building: English, Math, and Science 9, PE/Leadership, and Tech Ed (for students moving into Gr 7 or 8).

See website for full details!

www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca









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### PARENTING IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY – NOT THE WAY MOM AND DAD DID IT

## UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY IN YOUR KIDS

#### When:

- April 21st, 2016
- Refreshments at 6:00pm
- Presentation from 6:30-8:30pm

#### Where:

- 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam City Hall
- · Free parking is available

#### Speakers:

- Ocean Van Samang Clinical Coordinator, The START Team
- Gillian Schoenefuhs parent with lived experience
- Dr. Lili Nasseri, MD physician lead for CYMH in the Tricities

#### ~ A MUST ATTEND FOR ALL PARENTS

This event is FREE but space is limited, so register early!

Register at: http://cymhsuanxiety.eventbrite.ca

This FREE speaker series is put on by the Tricities Child and Youth Mental Health Substance Use Collaborative (CYMHSU) – a partnership created by Fraser Northwest Division of Family Practice (nonprofit) and Doctors of BC.