

## **Weekly Westwood Parent Email for Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Dear Westwood Families,

Wow – it was a cold day! Just fyi, we kept your children inside for recess and lunch today due to the cold weather.

I've attached the email below in PDF for easier reading on some Smart phones.

Thank you for reading this weekly email and keeping informed about your child's school.

### **THE WEEK AHEAD AT WESTWOOD**

Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm PAC Meeting in Library (or virtually – see agenda for link)

Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> – PAC Hot Lunch (Freshii)

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS- Jan to March**

Mondays – Music Adventure Piano ( K – Gr 3) **Sold Out** – starts Jan 15th

Tuesdays – SEL Ninja Warriors **Sold Out** – started Jan 9th

Wednesdays – City of Port Coquitlam Multisports (brochure sent out Dec 15th) – starts Jan 17th

Wednesdays – Cloverdale Robotics (2 programs) – starts Jan 17th

Thursdays – RIZE Basketball – starts Jan 18th

Thursdays - Cloverdale Robotics (2 programs) – starts Jan 18<sup>th</sup>

Fridays – **NEW** FV Chess Academy- starts Jan 19th

To register.....

## **Westwood: Afterschool Programs (Winter 2024)**

Go to [www.DWUL.io](http://www.DWUL.io) and search "SD43 Westwood" or click the links below

[Westwood \(Mon\): Piano Music Adventure! - An Introductory Program For Beginners - FULL](#)

[Westwood \(Tues\): MPower Your Inner Warrior \(Jujitsu/Self-Defense & SEL\) Winter 2024 - FULL](#)

[Westwood \(Wed\): Coding & Digital Arts - Gr 1-5 \(Term 2 - Winter Term\)](#)

[Westwood \(Wed\): Junior Robotics, Gr 1-5 \(Term 2 - Winter Term\)](#)

[Westwood \(Thu\): Junior Robotics, Gr 1-5 \(Term 2 - Winter Term\)](#)

[Westwood \(Thu\): Coding & Digital Arts - Gr 1-5 \(Term 2 - Winter Term\)](#)

[Westwood Elementary K-5 \(Thurs\) - R1ZE Basketball](#)

[Westwood Elem \(Fri\): Chess Naughty Knights \(G1-5\)](#)

Programs are brought to you by different community organizations.  
DWUL (Do What U Luv) provides registration support.

**Note: If the links are not opening due to browser/firewall issues, go to [www.DWUL.io](http://www.DWUL.io) first**  
**Then, search "SD43 Westwood" for direct access.**

### **TWO IMPORTANT PAC UPDATES:**

**NEXT PAC MEETING - Tuesday, January 16, 2024 7pm in library and via TEAMS**

See attached Agenda for Teams Link

**MUNCH A LUNCH Lunch Days: Reminder to log into your account and order lunches for this term. You can order all the lunches at once, or separately.**

- Jan 18: Freshii
- Feb 1: Booster Juice (payment due Jan 23)
- Feb 15: Red Robin (payment due Feb 6)
- Feb 22: Pasta Polo (payment due Feb 13)
- Mar 7: Booster Juice (payment due Feb 27)
- Mar 14: Subway (payment due Mar 5)

### **LOST AND FOUND**

Please see the attached photo. Please come to the office to claim if you recognize your child's lost item.

### **REPEAT INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS EMAILS**

#### **Important Information for Programs of Choice, Kindergarten Registration & Cross Catchment 2024-2025**

● PROGRAMS OF CHOICE for 2024 (Even if your older child is already in **French Immersion**, you must apply for the K sibling!)

Registration begins on **January 11th at 9 am and closes on January 17th at 4 pm**. Applications are to be completed online. The application link will be available on the main SD43 website during this time. Learn more [here](#).

● KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION for 2024

Kindergarten registration will begin **February 6th to 8th** and there will be a registration link on the school's website. All families within catchment who have children born in 2019 should apply within this time. Learn more [here](#).

● **CROSS CATCHMENT PROCESS for 2024**

The cross-catchment process will begin on **February 9th at 9 am and ends on February 14th at 4 pm**. The cross-catchment process involves an online application that can be found on the district webpage during this window of time. Learn more [here](#).

Additional information can be found on our website at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)

### **Programs of Choice (On Line Applications Began Jan 11<sup>th</sup>)**

Programs of Choice On-Line Applications for Kindergarten entering September 2024:

Opens January 11, 2024 at 9am

Closes January 17, 2024 at 4pm

The link to apply will be posted on the school district website. <http://www.sd43.bc.ca>

Parents must apply in this time period for their child to be considered for placement. Selection will be done by a random lottery draw with priority given to younger siblings of students who will be attending the Program of Choice at the same school in September 2024. Children who are not successfully placed will be on a waitlist and must register for Kindergarten at their catchment school.

Parents who currently have a child attending a Program of Choice (eg French Immersion at Westwood) and wish their upcoming kindergarten child to enter must still apply and indicate "Confirmation of Sibling Status applies".

Please ensure the school has your most current address.

For more information on Programs of Choice, please visit:  
[http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/="](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/=)

### **Programs of Choice – Grade 5 Parents**

Late Programs of Choice On-Line Applications for Middle School:

Opens January 11 2024 at 9am

Closes January 17, 2024 at 4pm

The link to apply will be posted on the school district website. <http://www.sd43.bc.ca>

Parents must apply in this time period for their child to be considered for placement. Selection will be done by a random lottery draw with priority given to younger siblings of students who will be attending the Program of Choice at the same school in September 2024. Children who are not successfully placed will be on a waitlist.

Parents who currently have a child attending a Program of Choice and wish their upcoming child to enter must still apply and indicate "Confirmation of Sibling Status applies".

Students currently enrolled in Grade 5 Montessori **must apply** if they wish to continue in Grade 6 Montessori.

For more information on Programs of Choice, please visit:  
<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

### **COMING UP SOON AT WESTWOOD**

Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – School Based Pro D (No School for Students)

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School Website: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/westwood>

*We acknowledge we are on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the kʷikʷəłəm (Kwikwetlem First Nation). We thank the kʷikʷəłəʼm who continue to live on these lands and care for them, along with the waters, and all that is above and below.*