1. **Terry Fox** continues to inspire SD43 schools to run and raise money for cancer research. Thank you to all of our participating students, staff and parents.

2. On Friday, October 6, students, parents and staff from six schools are partaking in a very special event called *Running Terry’s Money Home*. Participants will run approximately **11 km in total** from Seaview Elementary in Port Moody to the Terry Fox Foundation in Port Coquitlam. Along the way runners will stop at Miller Park, Parkland, Hillcrest and Riverview Park (where they will be joined by students from RC MacDonald) to collect money and additional participants before making their final stop and presenting their money raised to Terry Fox’s niece.

3. **Scott Creek Middle school** students and staff sent hundreds of notes of supports to *Montgomery Middle* to cover vandalism that had occurred. The kind and thoughtful gesture was greatly appreciated by the school community and showed the wonderful care and support that exists in SD43 between schools.

4. After returning to Earth, *the SSEP student experiment* on the effects of microgravity on concrete **arrived back to our district and was unpacked** at our Board Office on September 26 by District Principal, Devon Ross and Riverside Secondary Teacher, Claudia Durand. Next, our student team will receive their mini-labs back in order to determine how microgravity impacted their experiment and decide the results.

5. Grade 4 and 5 students from **Central Community Elementary** connect art and history by creating a new Poco Heritage display at City Hall that compares what City Hall looked like 100 years ago to what it looks like today! The exhibit is available to visit Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

6. **SD43 has received $40,000 from the Industry Training Authority** to support the ITA Youth Work in Trades Programs (formerly SSA). *The program* allows students in grades 10-12, who are employed in an apprenticable trade working with a certified tradesperson, to gain high school credits and earn hours towards a trade certification. Students also have an opportunity to earn a $1,000 scholarship!

7. **Andrew Teel**, a grade 10 student at Inquiry Hub is *the 2017 Giving Hearts Awards Recipient for Outstanding Youth Philanthropist*. This award recognizes service by a young person who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to the community through direct financial support, development of charitable programs, volunteering and leadership in philanthropy. Andrew created an online campaign called “Toonies for Teens” to raise money for *Covenant House*. To date the campaign has raised over $49,000 and when matched by sponsors will total over $120,000!

8. **SD43 Teacher-Librarian, Heather Daly** has been *awarded the BC Teacher-Librarian of the Year – Diana Poole Memorial Award*. This award honours practicing teacher-librarians who are making an outstanding contribution to teacher-librarianship.

9. Two **Eagle Mountain Middle school teachers**, **Wendy Chen** and **Jeff Christensen** have been selected winners of the *WE Global Champions Award*. The award will be presented on WE Day, October 18.
10. **SD43 has been presented** with **three national Bravo awards by CACE** – The Canadian Association of Communicators in Education. The awards recognize successful PR and communications work on the Student Spaceflight Experiment Program, the SD43 interactive Google Maps, and the SD43 Portable Event Kit. Congratulations to the community relations team.

11. **Gleneagle Secondary graduate** and new SFU student, **Basil Giannopoulos**, recently **received the prestigious $100,000 Schulich Scholarship**.

12. **Maple Creek Middle** students, parents and staff will be celebrating an **enhanced pedestrian connection** from Lincoln Avenue to Hastings Street in Coquitlam on Wednesday, October 4 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The event coincides with **International Walk to School Day**.

13. **Pinetree Secondary** is partnering with the City of Coquitlam and Douglas College to present **Quake Zone 2017**, an event dedicated to **Emergency Awareness and Preparation**. The event will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18 and will feature an earthquake simulator.

14. On **October 19, at 10:19 a.m.** SD43 will be participating in the annual **Great British Columbia Shakeout** by practicing how to “Drop, Cover and Hold On” for earthquake preparedness.

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