

The Current - Monty Middle Newsletter

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Monday,	Jan. 6 th	School Re-opens after Winter Break School Wide Assembly @ 2:00
Tuesday,	Jan. 7 th	Athletics: Bball Practices begin this week – schedule to follow for next week
Wednesday,	Jan. 8 th	Clubs: Me to We Leadership Team Mtg. @ 12:30 rm. 22 Student Workshop: Action School Representatives learn and work with instructors @ 1:10 – 3:00
Thursday,	Jan. 9 th	Admin Assembly: Gr 8 students meet to highlight Gr. 9 Options District Montessori Early Registration Meetings @ 4:00 and 7:00 @ Winslow Centre for primary or late Gr. 6 entry
Friday,	Jan. 10 th	Last Call for signed Report Card Jackets to be returned to Advisory teacher Community Circles: in Block 4
Monday,	Jan. 13 th	Student Government: Parliament meets @ 2:00 in Band Rm.
Next Week: Tues. Jan. 14 th Coquitlam Montessori Society Board Mtg. @ 9:00; Wed. Jan 15 th Jan. PAC Mtg @ 7:00 in Library; Thurs. Jan. 16 th Ski and Snowboard Session # 1 @ 3:00 – 9:00ish/ Dr. Charles Best Sec Future Gr. 9 Parent and Student Information Session @ 7:00; Fri. Jan 17 th Gr. 7 Admin Assembly		
Two Weeks: Tues. Jan 21 st District Student Leadership Council Mtg. @ 12:30; Thurs. Jan. 23 rd Explorations Term 2 Ends / Ski and Snowboard Session # 2 @ 3:00 – 9:00ish / Gr. 6 Admin Assembly @ 1:10; Fri. Jan 24 th Monty Middle School Based Pro D Day/ Gr. 8 Students invited to attend Secondary School Tours for part of their day		

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McFaul's Chat and Chew: Welcome to 2014

The upcoming six months are key to academic growth and social development as staff and students have made their connections and established their expectations and routines of how best to achieve. Now the critical element is putting the learning into action and ensuring that every child is pushing their personal learning curve and enhancing their overall dimensions. This term is about setting your goals to improve upon what was achieved in the last term and to maintain a sense of growth to better yourself in every domain every day. Teachers are here to meet with students and parents, they have structures in place to support student learning before and after school and staff are committed to providing support in all areas to help students push themselves to go beyond what they see as their best work. Learning does not just stop with your child as we plan to have opportunities for you as parents to meet together to discuss concerns that you may have in regards to social emotional learning, pre/early teen sexuality and academic learning methods. We all must continue to push ourselves and each other along our learning continuum, as we all know that times are rapidly changing.

Culture Beat: Events and Activities.

Winter Athletics Call Out – We have had organizational meetings for the following winter sports: basketball and wrestling. Students who are interested in playing any of these sports should have attended a meeting last week to express their interest. If your child missed this call out then please encourage them to see Mr. Nordby to receive directions as to who is coaching the specific sport gender and grade level team. Wrestling is open to all grades and to both genders. We are currently securing our coaches for the basketball teams at all levels. Practices and seasonal play will start right away upon our return to school in January.

MONTGOMERY MIDDLE SCHOOL 2014 Winter SEASON ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:30 - 8:30		Gr. 8 Boys Basketball Practice	Gr. 8 Boys Basketball Practice		Gr. 8 Girls Basketball Practice
3:15 - 4:15		Wrestling Practice	Wrestling Practice		
3:15 - 4:15	Gr. 8 Girls Basketball Practice			Gr. 7 Boys Basketball Practice	
3:30 - 4:30		Grade 7 Basketball Game Day	Grade 8 Basketball Game Day	Wrestling Meets	
4:15 - 5:15	Gr. 7 Boys Basketball Practice		Gr. 7 Girls Basketball Practice		

- League Schedules to follow
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Ski and Snowboard Club Info - The weather gods have not been cooperative with us west coasters as we have had limited snowfall on our local mountains. The result is that we have had to postpone our first session planned for this Thursday Jan 9th until Thursday February 13th. We continue to hope that the weather changes and that there will be a solid base for starting our first session on Thursday Jan. 16th. For more information please contact Mrs. Sheila Hutchinson for cost and details at: shutchinson@sd43.bc.ca

School Closure in the Event of Extreme Weather

In the event of heavy snow, ice or extreme temperatures, a decision on school closures will take place as soon as possible after 6:00 a.m. that day.

- Check the district website at www.sd43.bc.ca beginning shortly after 6:00 a.m.
- Be sure to hit Refresh when checking back
- The district website posting is official – there is no need to call the school or the Board office after viewing
- Tune in to CKWX 1130 AM, CKNW 980 AM or CBC 690 AM for updates

Extended Learning Opportunity – This week we will have two class reps from each advisory attend a professional learning workshop on Action Schools and Daily Physical Activities. Our students and staff do a pretty good job of ensuring that there is daily opportunities for movement and outdoor activities; however, during inclement weather and limited space we at times do run out of ideas. Action School BC trainers will work with our Advisory representatives to provide them with additional ideas and activities to help motivate and invigorate many of us in these dark and cooler months ahead. We thank Mr. Kwok for organizing this learning opportunity for all involved.

TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS:

School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
International Baccalaureate Program

Information Meeting for Grade 8 Students and Their Parents

Monday, January 6th or Wednesday, January 8th, 2014

7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Port Moody Secondary School

Students interested in entering the IB Program for talented and highly motivated students should attend one of these meetings to receive all pertinent information. There will be an opportunity for students and parents to ask teachers and students questions about the IB Program. **All registration information will be available at these meetings.** Information about Port Moody Secondary and the IB Program can be found on the web at pmsblues.net and www.ibo.org.

X- Catchment/ Boundary Information – Please see the embedded link below to learn more about the dates and schedule for Cross Catchment Applications.

[Cross Catchment Application Process](#)

In January, the process of transitioning our Grade 8s to secondary schools throughout the school district will begin. Very shortly, you will receive a letter detailing this process and letting you know which secondary school your child will be going to, based on the information that you completed in the student verification form earlier this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Carruthers or Mr. McFaul @ 604 – 939 7367

DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Programs of Choice, Advanced Placement (AP) & Other Specialty Courses 2013-2014 are detailed and wide ranging. For more information on all the possible course opportunities for secondary school settings and programs extending into the senior years of Gr. 10/ 11/ 12 we encourage all parents to access the following website for further explorations of choices.

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx>

THANK YOU MONTGOMERY MIDDLE STUDENTS, PARENTS and STAFF

Your generous donations, volunteer time and Christmas shopping earned the school an impressive \$1,850 to support our Christmas charities this year. I'd like to express a huge thank you for the wonderful and plentiful donations we received, and to our many volunteers, both with helping set up and on the day of the market. A special thank you to our wrappers, the gifts looked great for going home to be placed under the Christmas tree. I hope you all enjoyed the surprises waiting for you this Christmas. Thank you to some of our past students and parents who volunteered their time to come in and help with our Christmas Market again this year. The extra help was appreciated and the lights and music made our room look and feel festive.

Market money was used to support the Project Angel program co-ordinated through Share here at Monty, as well as the Share Tree at Coquitlam Centre. There were record numbers of registrants for gifts again this year and we were able to provide many kids with something special for Christmas. We contributed to Share's Food Bank program through the Food for Families program at Thrifty Foods which enables Share to purchase items needed for their Christmas hampers. We also contributed to the Tri-Cities Caring for Kids Program which enables Share to purchase needed gifts or offer Gift Cards as a gift choice to families. Eighty items consisting of toques and socks were purchased and gift wrapped for distribution to the homeless through the holiday season. We were able to sponsor six families in our community who were struggling with Christmas this year, providing gift cards and treat hampers. The last of our money went to the Coquitlam Animal Shelter to purchase some special treats for the animals to keep them happy over the holidays.

Our fourth market was a tremendous success; the generosity and support of all of you in the Christmas Market enables us to make Christmas a little brighter for so many. Details for the 2014 Christmas Market will come out in October/November but it's never too early to start saving your donations. Set a box aside and fill it throughout the year, you'll be amazed at what you accumulate. If anyone is interested in jumping in and helping co-ordinate the 2014 market with me please let me know at mikeeve@shaw.ca. Happy New Year everyone!

**Evelyn Chursinoff
2013 Christmas Market Coordinator**

PAC News and Events: Our Next PAC Mtg. is on Wed. Jan. 15th @ 7:00

Thanks to our PAC Executive members for maintaining their commitment and energy to help our school stay focused and vibrant with their organizing, fund raising and support of our many programs. We always welcome some more attendees to come join us at our next PAC mtg. and starting of the New Year would be a great way to extend your support to your child's school community.

Thrifty's Smile Card Fundraising - Montgomery PAC has received approval for this year's Smile Card Fund Raising. All pre-existing cards are ready to load for this school year. 5% of \$\$ loaded at any Thrifty Foods will be paid to Montgomery Middle PAC.

Cards can be obtained by e-mailing Elaine at equereng@hotmail.com. Ordered cards will be left at the office for pick-up.

Community News:

Please see the following list of community events.



Baseball registration starts soon!

Coquitlam Little League registration for players aged 4-18 happens in January, so mark your calendars. To register for the 2014 season, come by Scout Hall (corner of Porter & Winslow) on **Saturday, January 11th from 10 am - 1 pm** or **Sunday, January 19th from 11 am - 2 pm**. Registration can also be done on **Tuesday, January 14th from 7-9 pm** at Poirier Rec Centre in the MacDonald-Cartier Room.



If you require additional information, please visit our website www.coquitlamlittleleague.ca or feel free to contact any of our Board of Directors listed on the website.



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REGISTRATION AT MONTGOMERY ADULT LEARNING CENTRE

Thursdays ONLY until December 19 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Thursdays January 9 - ongoing 4:00 - 7:00 PM

PLEASE BRING:

- 1 Proof of Canadian Status
- 2 Photo ID
- 3 Two proofs of BC residency

MONTGOMERY ADULT LEARNING CENTRE
380 Montgomery Street, Coquitlam
British Columbia, V3K 5G2

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL OR VISIT
604.936.4261 | www.ce43.com



GRADE 3-8 CO-ED SPRING BREAK CAMP



ABOUT US

O4E was created for players who want compete against their peers in a high-level of competition in an environment that will help push them to get better every single day. It will give younger players an opportunity to go against older more experienced players in a safe encouraging environment. This will help prepare players coming from middle school get used to the high-level of intensity required to play at the next level and will give the high school players a place where they can play and train during the off-



Our stand out Senior from Centennial Justin Buren, dual sport athlete heading to Simon Fraser University for football

OUR VISION

"We envision our players to one day become key contributors on college campuses across the country. Someday there will be alumni who are collegiate athletes, teachers, doctors, businessmen, coaches, politicians, scientists, or maybe even NBA stars; our hope is that all these alumni share one

THE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE



CAMP DETAILS

This is a grade 3-5 and 6-8 Camp, **ONLY 20 SPOTS PER GRADE!!**. We wish to have everyone registered online on our website by February 2nd (for our clothing order) We will be running the camp out of Centennial Secondary School's Red gym, from **March 17th-21st**. **Grade3-5 from 10AM-12PM and grade 6-8 from 12-2PM** A fee of \$85.00 by cash or cheque (to Mike Higham) at the door. More information on our website www.o4eliteathletics.webs.com

PROVIDE

- Individual skill development
- Team concept development
- Team/ individual rebounding
- Team transition principles
- How to move without the ball
- How to set screens
- Shooting
- Finishing at the rim
- How to play man-to-man defense
- Plans for success on and off the

PRESENTS A NEW SUBJECT SUPPORT PROGRAM
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, JANUARY 7 – MAY 29, 2014

This **brand new program** being offered at the Family Resource Centre, located in Minnehada Middle School in Port Coquitlam will suit students in Middle School who are struggling to complete assignments and classroom subject matter. Students that have trouble organizing, tracking, understanding instruction, need help to begin and work through assignments, and need support with learning how to tackle home assignments are best suited for this program. Program facilitator is Alida Noort, a trained Multisensory Tutor, SEA, and Program Developer for the Family Resource Centre.

This program will run in ½ hour time blocks with a maximum of 2 students per block, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 5:15 P.M. Program start date is Tuesday, January 7, 2014 and runs through May 29, 2014. Students will be given individual help, with an understanding that parents will be actively involved keeping the facilitator up to date on all classroom subject matter that the student needs help with. Communication among parents, students, and facilitator is the key to the success of this program.

Fees are paid monthly, **all** post-dated cheques to be submitted with registration. First month's fees are due with registration and are **NON-REFUNDABLE**. A 30 day notice of withdrawal is a requirement of this program. Cost per session is \$22.00.

Total cost of this program = \$836.00

Monthly payment = \$167.20 \$167.20 x 5 payments = \$836.00

First payment due with registration (non-refundable), postdated cheques dated February 1, March 1, April 1, and May 1, 2014 in the amounts of \$167.20 each.

PROGRAM LOCATION: FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, ROOM #4, MINNEKHADA MIDDLE SCHOOL,
1390 LAURIER AVENUE, PORT COQUITLAM (ACROSS FROM HYDE CREEK RECREATION CENTRE)
EMAIL: frcdistrict43@gmail.com

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE
REGISTRATION FORM – SUBJECT SUPPORT PROGRAM
TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS JANUARY 7 – MAY 29, 2014

*******please fill in ALL fields below*******

STUDENT'S NAME:

SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ GRADE LEVEL:

ADDRESS:

CITY: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ PHONE DURING PROGRAM TIME: _____

PARENT'S NAME:

EMAIL: _____

PAYMENTS ENCLOSED: \$167.20 Cheques: ____ Cash: ____

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: E. MYERS

___ YES, **ALL** CHEQUES ARE ATTACHED (\$167.20 DUE WITH REGISTRATION – POST DATED CHEQUES \$167.20 Feb.1 – June 1/14) **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE FIRST MONTH'S FEE. TOTAL OF 5 CHEQUES SUBMITTED.** You may choose to make one payment of \$836.00 *******REGISTRATION ACCEPTED ON FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS**

___ **I UNDERSTAND A 30 DAY NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL IS A REQUIREMENT OF THIS PROGRAM**

TIME REQUESTED: ____ 5:15 P.M. – 5:45 P.M. (limited to 2 students)

____ 6:00 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. (limited to 2 students)

____ 6:45 P.M. – 7:15 P.M. (limited to 2 students)

FORMS MAY BE MAILED TO: FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE

3295 COAST MERIDIAN ROAD

PO BOX 78023 NORTHSIDE

PORT COQUITLAM, B.C. V3B 7H5

YOU MAY ALSO DROP OFF FORMS/PAYMENTS AT MINNEKHADA MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE.

PROGRAM LOCATION: FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, MINNEKHADA MIDDLE SCHOOL
ROOM #4 – 1390 LAURIER AVENUE, PORT COQUITLAM

EMAIL US AT: fredistrict43@gmail.com

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE – MINNEKHADA MIDDLE SCHOOL

1390 Laurier Avenue, Port Coquitlam, B.C. V3B 2B8

Email: fredistrict43@gmail.com

This is a community based program and is open to all students attending Middle School.

This program is not suitable for children with behaviour challenges.
