# The Current - Monty Middle Newsletter

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

Monday,	April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Explorations Term 4 Begins			
		School Planning Council Mtg.: 2 9:15 in Seminar Rm.			
		Fundraising: B.C. Heart and Stroke Foundation – Jump Rope			
		Mania @ lunch in the gym			
		Athletics:			
		Badminton Practice – Recreational Team @ 3:15 – 4:15			
		Rugby Team Practice @ 3:15			
		Track and Field Practices – announced by individual coaches			
Tuesday,	April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Health: Gr. 6 Immunizations Round #2 @ 9:15 with the Public			
		Health Nurse			
		Camp Fundraiser: Team Skye Bake Sale @ lunch in Gym			
		Foyer			
		Athletics:			
		Badminton Practice – Competitive Team @ 3:15 – 4:15			
		Rugby Team Practice @ 3:15			
Wednesday,	April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Clubs: Me to We Leadership Team Mtg. @ 12:30			
		Athletics:			
		Track and Field Practices – announced by individual coaches			
		PAC Mtg.: April PAC Mtg. @ 7:00 in Library			
Thursday,	April 17 <sup>th</sup>	School Safety: Code Red Lockdown Drill with R.C.M.P.@ 1:30			
		Homework Club: ABEd Program @ 3:05 in Drama Rm. Open			
		to any Student looking for a quiet place to work with Adult			
		Assistance			
		Athletics:			
Friday,	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday Holiday			
		School is closed			
Monday,	April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Monday Holiday			
	•	School is closed			

**Next Week**: Mon. April 21<sup>st</sup> – Easter Monday Holiday; Tues. April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Go Girls Workshop @ 3:15 Wed. April 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4:30 – 6:30 Me to We Dance in gym; Thurs. April 24<sup>th</sup> Scholastic Book Fair in the Library Set Up Day/ Team Quadra Parent Camp Mtg. @ 6:30 in Rm. 122; Fri. April 25<sup>th</sup> Gr. 7 Student Satisfaction Survey

**Two Weeks:** Tues. April 29<sup>th</sup> – Go Girls Workshop @ 3:15; Wed, April 30<sup>th</sup> Beginner Band Day @ Pitt River 12:30 – 3:00/ Monty Hosting District Track and Field Meet @ 3:15/ Gr. 5 Parent Night Open House @ 7:00 in the Gym

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## McFaul's Chat and Chew: Lions Pride

Last week our Gr. 8 students had the opportunity to work with and share with 3 members of the BC Lions Football team who travel the province promoting their educational program, called Lions Pride. This is a program built upon raising student self-esteem, making healthy choices and preparing students for future challenges. Our students worked with Dean Valli, Rolly Lumbala and Adam Bighill, all veteran players and all great examples of perseverance, determination and self-discipline. The following is a write- up by one of our Gr. 8 students, Cassidy P. and her insights into the presentation.

I found that the lions pride was a very inspirational program that induced participation, teamwork and overall was a lot of fun. During the program we were talked to about making positive choices and how they can improve your life and help you in achieving your goals. We also learned that making goals can improve your determination and help remind you of what you're trying to accomplish. We were also showed the importance of teamwork and eliminating bad influences in your life, just because your friend thinks it's a good idea does not mean that you think it is. They had a couple of fun interactive activities like the push-up and sit-up challenge where two people went up and had to do as many push-ups and sit-ups as they could in thirty seconds. There was also the event that I participated in where they blindfolded me, spun me around and told me to find one of the presenters by the booing and cheering of the crowd, booing meant wrong way and cheering meant right way, I found it very fun. Overall I think this program was fun, entertaining and informative. The presenters gave me important advice that any teenager wants, that if you do things right and try your best that you can reach your goals.

Cassidy P. 4/8/2014

## **Culture Beat**: Events and Activities.

**Academic Support** — We have available on Thursdays through our Aboriginal Education Department in District # 43 a after school homework session, whereby students can drop in and have a quiet place, have computer access with adult support to do their individual work. Students need to report to our Youth Worker Mrs. Davis and bring their materials to get down to the task.

**Code Red Lockdown Practice** – We will be preparing for our first Code Red Lockdown Full Lockdown DRILL planned for Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup> which will be supported by our RCMP liaison team. This is a mandatory drill that all schools in District #43 will undertake at some point in time during the third term. This is a drill and is not meant to cause alarm; moreover, it is designed to help all school community members be best prepared in case of an emergency that requires us to secure the building from entry and exit for a duration of time until the drill is satisfactory completed and all school participants are aware of the expectations and areas needed for improvement in overall safety. A Code Red is the highest level of lockdown and it requires all entry and exit points to be secured with no movement of students in the hallways. All students will remain in their locked classroom with their teacher in a room position free from sight lines from doors and windows. During the drill there must be no use of cell phones, lap tops etc. and directions will come via the administration team by personal discussion or over the public address system. The removal of any use of internal electronic devises ensures the safety for all in the case of any type of bomb threat and electronic interferences. Students will be

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expected to remain quiet and will be reviewing the personal safety process of duck and cover for a short period of time during the lockdown. We will be reviewing with all school partners over the next few weeks about the importance of practicing this drill and in supporting each other in our quest for personal safety for all.

**Gr. 7's and Parents Ministry Satisfaction Surveys -** Each year, the Ministry of Education asks that all grade seven students complete a satisfaction survey. There is also an opportunity for parents to take the time necessary to complete the online satisfaction survey. While we have plenty of time to complete these surveys (the deadline is April 30th), we will be sending information home to parents by the end of this week (with individualized passwords – required in order to take part). Completion of this survey is voluntary for parents.

## Satisfaction Survey 2013/2014

The Provincial Satisfaction Survey 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. Early in **2014** the Satisfaction Survey will be administered to students in grades 7, their parents, and all school staff. We encourage parents to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <a href="http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\_survey">http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\_survey</a>. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the esurvey is simple and secure. All that is required is a logon number that the school will provide to participants. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site, without a logon number.

The school will be open during the evening of Wed. April  $16^{th}$  from 3:30-7:00 for parents who would like to participate but do not have access to a computer. For parents who do not wish to use school computers, local public library computers may be another option. The e-survey site will be open until Wed. April 30th.

## PAC News and Events: Our Next PAC Mtg. is on Wed. April 16th @ 7:00.

**Volunteers Needed** – We are looking for parents who are interested in working during the lunch hours and after school hours to help support our upcoming Book Fair. We will need people to help manage book booths, cashier and overall organization. If you can afford to share your talents with us during the last week of April 24<sup>th</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup> then please contact Ms. Holden at: <a href="mailto:dholden@sd43.bc.ca">dholden@sd43.bc.ca</a>

**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 <a href="mailto:equereng@hotmail.com">equereng@hotmail.com</a>. Ordered cards will be left at the office for pick-up.

**Community News**: Please see the following list of community events.

#### TRAFFIC AND ROAD ACCESS INFORMATION:

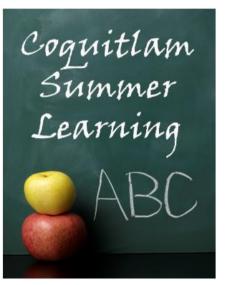
Re: Edgewood from Lakeview St. to Glenholme St.

A new 6 inch water main will soon be constructed by the City of Coquitlam Capital Works Construction Crew involving replacing existing water main along Edgewood Ave from Lakeview to Glenholme.

Residences along Edgewood will be affected by parts, pipe, materials, trucks and equipment parked in front of their property and along the roadway. You will have access issues to your property and at times, temporary road closures. You will also experience temporary water service interruption usually with 24hrs notice during construction.

Surrounding residents will be indirectly affected by the construction. You will experience temporary water service interruption with 24hrs notice, increased traffic and temporary road closures.

Utility work will be done Monday to Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with no construction on weekends or statutory holidays. Pipe and parts will begin to show up on site Tuesday April 22nd 2014 in anticipation of the work to be done.



## SUMMER LEARNING 2014 ONLINE Registration Dates (6:00 a.m. Opening)

Middle Skill Building (Hillcrest, Scott Creek, Centennial, Charles Best): May 29<sup>th</sup>

Grade 9 & 10 Skill Building (Charles Best): May 27<sup>th</sup>

Students must have an account with our online system **BEFORE** registering for courses. Please visit our website and create/update your account **now**.

We are offering courses in Art, Band, Computers, Creative Writing, Drama, English (LA and for beginners), Math, PE/Leadership, Science and Tech Ed\* (\*held at Charles Best and Centennial for students moving into Gr 7 or 8) and more to come!

Program Dates: July 8 to July 25

Visit www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

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## Coquitlam Youth Fest Entertainment Application Form

## Youth Ages: 11-18yrs

Coquitlam Youth Council West will be hosting the Coquitlam Youth Fest Event: 12:00pm to 3:00pm, Saturday, May 3 at Blue Mountain Park. This is a celebration of Youth in our community.

We are on the search for entertainers to perform at our event with a set that is 10-15 minutes long. We are expecting an attendance of over 200 youth for this event. This is a great opportunity to obtain exposure with a large Youth group in a fun setting.

We are looking for Singers, Bands, Dancers or Live Theatre Groups. Performer will receive a free lunch and a free recording of their performance.

Name/ Group Name:								
Type of Entertainment:	☐ Singer	$\square$ Band $\square$	Dance $\square$	Theatre Group				
Set Up Needed:								
Contact Information								
YouTube or website address of performance:								

## All applications are due Wednesday, April 16th

\*You must bring your own equipment and provide a sample of your talent such as a video or recording upon submission of this form.

Please submit to  $\underline{mfriolet@coquitlam.ca}$  or in person at Poirier Community Centre.

## The Coquitlam School District presents the 2013-14 Social Media Education Series

The District invites all employees who work with students to attend this invaluable series of education events.

Snapping Vines, the third event of the series, with a focus on apps. The feedback we have received from previous session participants is the this session should be geared more towards specific use in a classroom. This session will be both in-person and online and we will be using Blackboard Collaborate, a web-conference format which participants can log in to remotely. It will be a 1.5 hour session and will be split into two sections. The first section will focus on using various apps as classroom resources and will feature two school district staff presenters. The second section of the session will focus on the "legal framework" around social media in regards to policing. Cst. Michelle Luca, our Youth Liaison supervisor with the Coquitlam RCMP will be providing some information on questions around status of the Criminal Code changes that make sharing images without the consent of the subject a criminal offense, as well as a brief overview of the challenges police face in conducting investigations that have a social media component (i.e., access to evidence) and a reinforcement of why prevention & outreach with kids is vital to making sure issues are prevented or mitigated before there is a need for police investigations.

DATE: Thursday April 17, 2014

TIME: 3:30 - 5:00pm

LOCATION: In-person in the Gallery Room at Winslow Centre, 1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam

Online, login instructions will be provided to those who RSVP

TO ATTEND: Please RSVP to Heather Escaravage

The goal of the series is to meet new professional development goals, respective of Learning Without Boundaries. Series content is derived from the feedback received at the Social Media Summit in the spring of 2013, as well as ongoing inquiries from staff and students.

The **Red Cross Babysitters Certificate Course** is now registering for the following sessions.

All sessions are on Thursdays from 7:00pm – 9:00pm – May 8, May 15, May 22 and May 29.

Students must be between the ages of 11 - 15 years of age. The tuition for this eight hour/4 evening course is \$65, which includes all course materials. Students must successfully complete a final exam. This session will be held in the Music Room at Miller Park Community School.

For further information and registration: http://members.shaw.ca/comckay or email comckay@shaw.ca or call the Instructor -Colin at

604-259-1005.



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The Coquitlam Board of Education is enhancing the budget process for the 2014-2015 year. The new process will include providing multiple opportunities for public input, starting in April 2014 once Ministry funding has been announced.

We invite you to get involved in this dialogue. Help deepen our collective understanding, identify the challenges and opportunities and share your ideas on how we can make the best use of the funds available for our children, employees, and communities. Your advice will help guide the board's decisions and actions. Free child-minding will be available at the Townhall Meeting and the Open House.

#### Community consultation events take place from April 1 to April 29, 2014.

#### **Townhall Meeting**

Tuesday, April 1, 2014, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Gymnasium - Winslow Centre \*\* Join us at the Townhall Meeting to learn more about the process.

#### **Public Open House**

Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Gymnasium - Winslow Centre \*\* Join us at the Open House to share your ideas and concerns.

### **Regular Public Board Meeting**

Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 8:30 p.m. Gallery Room - Winslow Centre \*\* An opportunity for public input to the 2014-2015 budget. To learn more about registering a delegation, call 604-939-9201.

### Special Public Board Meeting - Budget

Thursday, April 10, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Gallery Room - Winslow Centre \*\* An opportunity for public input to the 2014-2015 budget. To learn more about registering a delegation, call 604-939-9201.

#### Twitter Chat

Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 4:00 p.m. @TheTriCitiesNow and @sd43bc using #sd43budget

## Special Public Board Meeting - Budget 2014/15 Budget Recommendations

Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Gallery Room, Winslow Centre \*\*

## Special Public Board Meeting - Budget 2014/15 Preliminary Budget

Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Gallery Room - Winslow Centre \*\* An opportunity for the public to ask questions in regards to the 2014-2015 budget recommendations.

#### Regular Public Board Meeting 2014/15 Final Budget

Tuesday, April 29, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Gallery Room - Winslow Centre \*\*

\*\* Winslow Centre 1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam, B.C.

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## Coquitlam Principal's and Vice-Principal's Association 13<sup>th</sup> Annual *In Motion* Event for Cancer Research Dedicated to Tom Davies

The Coquitlam Principals and Vice Principals Association 13<sup>th</sup> Annual *In Motion* for Cancer Research event will be held Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am at Terry Fox Secondary School. There are three routes for participants: 2km, 5km, and 10 km

## Come run, walk, ride or roll with us!

This 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary year's event will be the best yet, with individuals and teams participating on behalf of members of the School District 43 family who have been affected by cancer. We have always enjoyed good staff and student participation and are hoping for another large turnout this year. In 12 years we have contributed over \$100,000 to the Canadian Cancer Society. Individual registration forms will be available soon at any school site/website or at the board office. Donations received at the door or online (site address announced soon) will be matched by Scotiabank up to \$5000

Feel free to join a school team or for more information about forming your own team contact. Darlene Proulx by e-mail at <a href="mailto:dproulx@sd43.bc.ca">dproulx@sd43.bc.ca</a> or by phone at 604-941-3408



For 75 years, the Canadian Cancer Society has been with Canadians in the fight for life. We have been relentless in our commitment to prevent cancer, fund research and support Canadians touched by cancer. From this foundation, we will work with Canadians to change cancer forever so fewer Canadians are diagnosed with the disease and more survive.



## SD43 District Mountain Biking Team

The SD43 Mountain Biking team for students in grades 8-12 from any of our middle and secondary schools or alternative schooling platforms is being run again this year. Last year's events went very well and I'm looking forward to an opportunity to coach athletes who wish to pursue Mountain Biking as a sport again this year.

We will run with five opportunities to come together. These will be rides that are pre-planned and monitored by the coaching staff. They will happen in April and May during the week after school at 4 pm - 5:30 pm on the following dates:

- 1. Wednesday April 30 at Burnaby Mountain
- 2. Wednesday May 7 at Bert Flinn Park
- 3. Wednesday May 14 at Bert Flinn Park
- 4. Wednesday May 21 at Burke Mtn
- 5. Wednesday May 28 at Burke Mtn

Students are expected to meet at the location listed for the week. Each week an email will be sent to team members and coaches to let them know details of how the week's event will shape up. An informational meeting for parents, riders and school sponsors/coaches interested in the program will be held on

Wednesday April 23 at a location TBA at 4 pm.

If any students at your school are interested, pls. email <u>jstromgren@sd43.bc.ca</u> by April 14<sup>th</sup>. There is no need for school sponsors, but any adult who is interested is welcome to come along.

Jeff Stromgren – School District 43 Community Connections Healthy Living Coordinator