The Current - Monty Middle Newsletter

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Monday,	June 9 th	Talent Show Performance: Sign Up Sheet available on Office counter for possible audition schedule Sign up available all day Monday and Tuesday. Student Government – Much Video Dance Party Tickets on sale today at lunch until Fri. June 13 th . Tickets are \$10.00
		Student Government Mtg @ 2:00 Band Rm.
Tuesday,	June 10 th	Student Government – Much Video Dance Party Tickets on sale today at lunch until Fri. June 13 th . Tickets are \$10.00 Workshop: Go Girls Session # 8 @ 3:15 – 5:15 in Rm. 225
Wednesday,	June 11 th	Student Government – Much Video Dance Party Tickets on sale today at lunch until Fri. June 13 th . Tickets are \$10.00
Thursday,	June 12 th	Team Sicily and Team Quadra Renaissance Faire - @ 9:45 – 11:30 in the gym Parents and guests are invited Student Government – Much Video Dance Party Tickets on sale today at lunch until Fri. June 13 th . Tickets are \$10.00 Band & Choir Year End Concert – Rehearsal for student viewing will happen @ 1:15 and a Planned Parent and invited Guests is set for 7:00 this evening
Friday,	June 13 th	Planned BCTF Rotating Strike Day – All Coquitlam Schools will be impacted
Monday,	June 16 th	Possible Talent Show Rehearsal – PM Session in Band Rm. Possible Last Day for Dance Ticket Sales - Student Government – Much Video Dance Party Tickets on sale today at lunch. Tickets are \$10.00

Next Week: Tues. June 17th Term 4 Explorations ROCK Show @ 1:15/ EF Tours Departure Mtg. @ 7:00; Wed June 18th June PAC Executive Mtg. @ 7:00 Location TBA; Thurs. June 19th @ 1:15 – 3:00 School Leaving Ceremony/ Much Video Dance Party @ 5:30 – 8:00 No Tickets will be sold at the door all tickets must be pre-purchased

Two Weeks: Schedule to be determined by impending provincial Job Action

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McFaul's Chat and Chew: Communications and Cancellations – If one could determine the future and look deep into their crystal ball then that talent would be in great demand by all parents in the province as they attempt to navigate the tumultuous course of year end activities. We as a school have tried to hold onto our ceremonies and our traditions as established calendar dates in regards to year end events and we have now past the tipping point of logistics, patience and waiting for some of our planned activities. We have had to make some very impacting decisions as we await the political climate and labour negotiations to unfold in a manner that leaves our Admin Team with no room to navigate or adjust to a quickly changing labour landscape of timelines. We have cancelled our Gr. 5 Half Day Event planned for Thursday June 12th and postponed from Thursday June 5th. We have cancelled our Outdoor Experience Day set for Tuesday June 24th as this event involves great details in transportation, timing, financial payments and a safe and organized plan for student supervision that we are unable to guarantee.

We have on hold and awaiting some other very important events like our Year End School Leaving Ceremony along with our Much Video Dance Party all set on the calendar for Thursday June 19th. Further details that will be revealed this week from planned labour negotiations will help shed light on the livability of these two events. There is hope in the darkness of this labour strife that time and planning may allow for us to proceed in some adapted version of these events. No promises, but an official wait and see as to what unfolds approach during a period of great labour uncertainty.

On the days that we are open for school we continue to work towards our daily goals of education and lesson expansion and topic completion as evidenced by our change in schedule for our upcoming Team Sicily - Team Quadra Renaissance Faire that was moved on the calendar in order for us to celebrate the creative imaginations and detailed work that our students have put forth on this shared unit of student based inquiry. Stop by and be whisked away to the times of Kings and Courts and the period of Enlightenment on Thursday June 12th @ 9:45-11:30. We will continue to update the Monty Middle website along with the district website as being a trusting source of information in regards to school closures due to rotating strikes and further positive or ominous developments. A reminder that the next rotating strike date for Coquitlam School District is this Friday June 13th. Your patience, understanding and sense of support for the issues that are in debate in these negotiations are critical and provide us all on both sides of the challenge with a backdrop that what is happening must constantly put the idea of making it best for students and their future learning. Your voice has impact and needs to be heard to help clarify where parents in this community stand on these longstanding issues of class size, class composition and wage respect.

Reminders:

If you are moving to a new address or a new school, kindly let our Office staff know so that we can establish our school plans for the 2014-2015 school year.

Culture Beat: Events and Activities.

BCTF Job Action Rotating Strike Day – Friday June 13th for All Coquitlam Schools.

Please see on our website under publications the information notice that was sent home via email. The letter from the District Superintendent states that: "As a result of the strike action, teachers will not be reporting for duty on June 13th. While school facilities will remain open under school district administration, we will be unable to provide students with instruction. There will be limited ability to provide appropriate supervision during this period of job action. We are therefore requesting that parents keep their children at home from school on Friday June 13th." We encourage you to stay close to the media outlets in case of any new and recent changes to the negotiations and thus possible changes on the rotating strike agenda.

Montgomery Middle School and District No. 43 (Coquitlam) 2014-2015 School Calendar

Important Dates:	2014-2015 Date(s)
Schools open	Tuesday, Sept. 2
Pro D (District)	Friday, Sept 19
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, Oct. 13
Pro D (District)	Friday, Oct. 24
Closure Day (School Not in Session)	Monday, Nov. 10
Remembrance Day	Tuesday, Nov. 11
Schools close for Winter Break (last day in session)	Friday, Dec. 19
Winter Break	Dec. 22 – Jan. 2
Schools reopen after Winter Break	Monday, Jan. 5
Pro D (School Based)	Monday, Jan. 26
BC Family Day	Monday, Feb. 9
Pro D (District)	Friday, Feb 20
Schools close for Spring Break (last day in session)	Friday, Mar. 6
Spring Break	Mar. 9 – Mar. 20
Schools reopen after Spring Break	Monday, Mar. 23
Good Friday	Friday, Apr. 3
Easter Monday	Monday, Apr. 6
Pro D (District)	Friday, Apr 17
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18
Pro D (School Based)	Monday, June 1
Last Day of School – Report Card Pick Up	Thursday, June 25
Administrative Day (Student not in session)	Friday, June 26

Start Times:	End Times:
Tuesday and Thursday: Band Class: 7:50 – 8:40 Mon. – Thurs. Warning Bell: 8:40 Mon. – Thurs. Advisory: 8:45 – 8:55 Friday: Bell: 9:00	Monday – Thursday: 3:05 Friday: 2:55

Year End Band and Choir Concert – The bands and choir will be presenting their talents at their final end of year concert on Thursday June 12th @ 7:00. There will be a rehearsal performance that same date in the afternoon at 1:30. These changes in calendar were due as a result of the Rotating Strike planned for this coming Thursday. Our Music Team members are a small but dedicated group of advanced band, beginner band and choir members who have risen early and given their free time at lunch to practice and hone their musical craft with Mr. De Vita. We encourage all of you to come out and enjoy a night of music and song that is much more celebratory than watching hockey playoffs of teams that you truly do not care about. Hope to see you on Thursday June 12th.

Talent Show Auditions – A sign up list for auditions to perform at our year end Talent show will be available at the Office Counter for students interested in having the chance to showcase their talents. The following weeks we will have auditions at lunchtime in the Band Rm. Please have your child check the schedules posted at the Office and Band Rm. We are looking to ensure that students who will perform feel comfortable in front of an audience, have their required music, instruments and needed equipment. If students feel shy or reluctant to be performing then we will ask them to reconsider their wish to perform and encourage them to continue to practice at home so that they are more confident and ready to perform in the future. The Talent Show goes Monday June 23rd @ 1:15 in our gym.

Year End Leaving Ceremony and School Dance – Our Year End Leaving Ceremony will be held on Thursday June 19th @ 1:15 – 2:45ish. After the social event students will be encouraged to return home and get changed for their evening with our MUCH VIDEO DANCE Party. Our dance will be open to all Monty students and tickets will be \$10.00 for our evening event starting @ 5:30 and ending at 8:00. Tickets for this event went on sale this past Thursday May 29th until Monday June 16th. Student Government members will be encouraging students to purchase tickets as we know many kids will want to join and share a most positive and exciting wrap up to the year. The **Leaving Ceremony** is for our whole school as an end of year assembly which honours our students for their work in social responsibility, citizenship, athletic leadership and our Gr. 8 students who will be continuing their educational journey on into secondary school. We will be looking for parents to help with some of the final preparations for our after ceremony social which takes place in the cafeteria for our leaving Gr.8 students and their families. We are calling for parent support to help volunteer for this event with plans for organizing, donating and hosting the after ceremony social. Please contact Mr. McFaul or Ms. Holden if you are interested in helping with this year end event. rmcfaul@sd43.bc.ca and dholden@sd43.bc.ca

Library Books – Students with overdue library books will be receiving notices reminding them to return their overdue books without having to face a fee penalty for the loss of that library book. Our Library Assistant Mrs. Eaton will be doing home phone calls to help students remember to bring in their books used from this past year.

PAC News and Events: Our Next PAC Mtg. is a call for all interested individuals to join our PAC Executive on Wed. June 18th @ 7:00 Location: TBA.

We are in great need of Parent Volunteers to lend their support to our school and to fill the numerous Executive Roles of our Parent Advisory Council. If you have an interest in being part of our school community on another level, one that involves a higher degree of participation in school affairs and supporting our school in areas of finance and governance, then we need you to attend the last meeting of the year. Your support goes a great distance in determining our school culture and our ability to best support all of our sons and daughters.

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

Community Help on Strike Day June 13th

Kids on the Move (7-12yrs)

Join us for a filled day of fun, games, swimming and various other activities.

Time: 9:00am- 3:00pm **Date-** Friday, June 13th

Cost: \$32.00 **Barcode:** 487880

Location- Drop off at Centennial Pavilion- Youth Centre at 9am, Pick up at

Poirier Community Centre- MacDonald Room at 3pm.

To Register please call 604-927-4FUN (4386) or Online at www.coquitlam.ca

Summer Arts Camps at the Evergreen Cultural Centre

Explore your creativity this summer! The Evergreen Cultural Centre's Arts Camps are taught are educational, hands-on, and above all, they're fun! This year we're proud to present a host of diverse arts camps, including two weeks of our popular Kids on Stage theatre camp! Learn Filmmaking, Sculpture, Drama or Design.

Camps run from July 7 to Aug 1, and Aug 25-29. 9am – 3pm for kids ages 7-11, and 12-14.

For more information please see our Website at

http://evergreenculturalcentre.ca/public-programs/

Summer Camps = Summer Fun - Open to all students 6 - 12 years.

School District 43 and our Community Schools are very pleased to again offer 6 weeks of Summer Day Camp programs at Central, Leigh and Montgomery Schools. In addition 3 weeks of half day camps will be offered at Miller Park. These popular Camps continue to be a lower cost option for parents and they are available for all children from ages 6 to 12 years.

The Camps are as follows: Central Elementary, Montgomery Middle, Leigh Elementary - 6 weekly Camps from July 2 – August 9 and the Miller Park Camps – 3 weekly Camps from July 8 - 25 (Noon – 3:00pm). Camp Leaders will vary activities each week, including short field trips, and they will be offered in age appropriate groupings. This year parents will again be able to register on-line and use the payment method of their choice. To register online please visit the **appropriate school website as listed below** then click on **Community Programs**. This will lead to the Karelo online registration page.

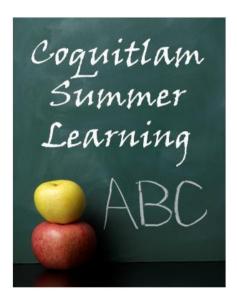
1) Central Camp: www.sd43.bc.ca/central 2) Leigh Camp:

<u>www.sd43.bc.ca/minnekhada</u> 3) **Montgomery:** <u>www.sd43.bc.ca/maillard</u> 4) **Miller Park Camps**: www.sd43.bc.ca/millerpark

For information: **Heather Roemer** at 604 464-0207 or hroemer@sd43.bc.ca **Steve Brown-John** at 604 230-1233 or sbrown-john@sd43.bc.ca

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

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

Grade 9 & 10 Skill Building (Charles Best): May 27th

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

MIDDLE: Classes are designed to give students more time in a subject area or to provide a chance to preview a subject area. For example, a Math Grade 6 class might include students who have completed Grade 6 and would benefit from extra time. The class might also include students who have completed Grade 5 and would like to get ready for Grade 6. These courses are available to all middle school students, including ELL(ESL) students.

Note: Classes do NOT replace an entire grade.

PLEASE SEE the <u>Secondary Skill Building Programs</u> for courses in Tech Ed and others geared towards students entering Grade 8 and 9.

***Band & Visual Arts 6,7, 8: We will be offering a Beginning Band and an Advanced Band class at Scott Creek Middle. Students will benefit from instruction in both a band class (either beginning or advanced) AND a visual arts class.

NOTES:

- 1) Instrumental rentals will be available for a fee. A rental session will be held in the Scott Creek Band Room on Monday, July 8th from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- 2) Instrument selections made during the Summer Learning Program may not be the same as those recommended by your child's teacher in the regular band program. Teachers make decisions re: instrument selection based on suitability, program needs and availability.

Instrument options: Trumpet, Trombone, Baritone Horn, French Horn, Tuba, Flute, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Oboe, Alto/Tenor Saxophones, Bassoon, and a limited number of percussion and bass guitar. Violin, Cello and string bass may be available to some Advanced Band students - prior experience is required.

Advanced band students interested in learning a new instrument may be able to take part in the Beginning Band as well (doing so would not allow participation in the Visual Arts portion of the course).

<u>Science (Outdoor Focus) at Hillcrest Middle</u> - This class will give students both in-class and outdoor experiences related to science concepts covered at grade level. Students can expect to take part in hands-on activities and experiments in addition to regular classroom activities.

COURSE OFFERINGS:

SCHOO L	Beg. and Adv. Band* ** 6,7,8	Comput ers	Visual & Performing Arts 6/7 & 8	English Language Arts 6,7,8	English LA ELL (ESL)Fo cus 6/7	Ma th 6,7, 8	Scienc e 6,7,8	Math 8 Skill Buildi ng	Englis h 8 Skill Buildi ng	PE/Leader ship	***Tech ED (Wood, Electron ics, Culinary , and more) For student s entering Grades 8 or 9
Scott Creek	X			X	X	X	Х				
Middle Hillcr est Middle		x	Art, Drama	LA, Crea tive Writing		X	Outd oor Ecolo gy Focus			X	
Dr.								X	X	X	
Charles Best											
Seconda ry											
<u>Centen</u> <u>nial</u>											X

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Coquitlam Summer Kick Offs:

JUNE 12

Victoria Community Hall Summer Kick Off: FREE

Meet your neighbours and find out what programs and happening in the neighbourhood this summer! There will be live music, kids' activities and family fun.

WHEN: June 12, 2014 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

WHERE: Victoria Community Hall, 3435 Victoria Drive, Coquitlam FOR MORE INFO: 604-927-4386 | www.coquitlam.ca/victoria

JUNE 14

Summer Outdoor Kick Off Event: FREE

Kick off summer and explore the outdoors! Find out what's happening in Coquitlam this summer. There will be kids' activities, sports games, nature crafts, hands-on displays, rock climbing and more.

WHEN: June 14, 2014 | 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

WHERE: Spirit Square, 3000 Burlington Drive | next to the Glen Pine Pavilion, Coquitlam

FOR MORE INFO: 604-927-4386 | www.coquitlam.ca/outdoors

<u>SFU Summer Camps</u>

For a full list of Summer Camps under the following headings of camp experiences please see the website below:

Sport Camps Outdoor Adventure Camps

Aquatic Camps Educational Camps Partnership Camps

http://www.sfu.ca/camps.html

COQUITLAM YOUTH ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS

Friday, June 13, 2014

3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Evergreen Cultural Centre, Coquitlam
Strings, Winds, Brass, Percussion
Go to www.coquitlamyouthorchestra.ca for more info and to
REGISTER FOR THE AUDITION



SCHOOL DISTRICT #43 COMMUNITY SCHOOL'S



SUMMER DAY CAMP 2014

Community Schools are pleased to offer Summer Day Camp Programs. Camps will be held at the following School locations:

WHERE: CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL: 2260 Central Avenue, Port Coquitlam LEIGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 1230 Soball Street, Coquitlam MONTGOMERY MIDDLE SCHOOL: 1900 Edgewood Avenue, Coquitlam MILLER PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL: 800 Egmont Avenue, Coquitlam

TIME: 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM (DOORS OPEN 8:45 AM & PICK UP BY 2:45 PM)

MILLER PARK CAMP: 12:00 PM - 2:45 PM

AGE OF CAMPERS: 6 YEARS TO 12 YEARS

ONLINE PAYMENTS ACCEPTED: VISA OR MASTERCARD OR INTERAC/DEBIT

PAPER REGISTRATIONS: CASH AND CHEQUES (MILLER PARK-CASH ONLY)

CONTACTS: Central Camp: Dasha Belskaya-dbelskaya@sd43.bc.ca

Montgomery/Miller Park Camp: Paul Dondo- pdondo@sd43.bc.ca 778-229-9273

Leigh Camp: Steve Brown-John-sbrown-john@sd43.bc.ca 604-230-1233

Montgomery Camp- will run 6 weeks: July 2nd to August 8th 2014

M-1 Week / Camp 1	Wed. July 02 – Fri. July 04	\$60	3 Days	Wed - Fri
M-2 Week / Camp 2	Mon. July 07 – Fri. July 11	\$95	5 Days	Mon - Fri
M-3 Week / Camp 3	Mon. July 14 – Fri. July 18	\$95	5 Days	Mon - Fri
M-4 Week / Camp 4	Mon. July 21 – Fri. July 25	\$95	5 Days	Mon - Fri
M-5 Week / Camp 5	Mon. July 28 – Fri. Aug 01	\$95	5 Days	Mon - Fri
M-6 Week / Camp 6	Tues. Aug 05 – Fri. Aug 08	\$80	4 Days	Tues - Fri

Miller Park Camp- will run 3 weeks: July 8th to July 25th 2014

MP-1 Week / Camp 1	Tues. July 08 – Fri. July 11	\$40	4 Days	Tues - Fri
MP-2 Week / Camp 2	Mon. July 14 – Fri. July 18	\$50	5 Days	Mon - Fri
MP-3 Week / Camp 3	Mon. July 21 – Fri. July 25	\$50	5 Days	Mon - Fri

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About the Camp

Weekly activity schedules will be available the first day of camp and will vary between the different sites. The examples of daily/ weekly activities will reflect the following areas:

- Recreation and Games, Arts and Crafts, Science Activities
- Field Games and outdoor sports weather permitting/Park Outings
- BBQ / fun day
- Field trips to local community events and centers (fees apply) form will be sent home each session/week
- Weekly big screen movie with popcorn and juice
- Possibility of guest leaders with special activities or presentations

Camp participants MUST bring the following items each day:

- Lunch and snacks
- Change of clothes
- Sun Screen

- Water Bottle labeled with your Child's Name
- Hat
- A Smile

Please ensure that your children do not bring money (unless requested) or personal items to camp. (Please no cell phones, iPods, etc.) Community School's will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Camp hours are: 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM. Drop off at 8:45 AM and pick up by 2:45 PM

Miller Park Camp hours are: 12:00 PM-2:45 PM. Drop off at 11:45 AM and pick up by 2:45 PM

Parent, caregivers or legal guardians will be required to sign their child(ren) in and out each day. If your child(ren) is/are allowed to wait or walk home on their own we must have a written and dated consent. A child (ren) will not be released until the adult, who has signed in their child(ren) that day, arrives to pick them up or contact has been made for an alternate arrangement. Ministry of Children and Families guidelines will be strictly followed for children who are not picked up on time.

How to Register

Our **Community School Summer Day Camp Registration** is now online and will accept payment using **Visa; MasterCard or Interac/Debit** from most major banks.

You can get instant confirmation of your spots in the summer day camp at the location you choose. You will require an email address in order to get your confirmation # and print out a receipt for your payment.

To register online please visit the **appropriate school website as listed below** then click on Community Programs, which will lead to the Summer Camp Registration button. Karelo provides the online registration service.

Central Camp:www.sd43.bc.ca/centralMontgomery:www.sd43.bc.ca/maillardLeigh Camp:www.sd43.bc.ca/minnekhadaMiller Park Camps:sd43.bc.ca/millerpark