# **Moody Matter**

# École Moody Middle School of the Arts E-Bulletin – 22 February 2018

	ÉMMSOTA Website	
2017-2018 ÉCOLE MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL CALENDAR		
FEBRUARY		
	Mondays – Chess Club in the Youth Lounge 2:50-4:00pm	
	Tuesdays & Thursdays – Twinderella (Spring Musical) rehearsals 3-4:30pm	
	Fridays – Friends of Simon tutoring - 3-4:30pm	
15	Cross catchment closes @ 4:30pm	
12-16	RAC (Real acts of caring) week	
16	PAC Hot Lunch Day	
16	Sweater Day – turn down the heat & wear your favorite sweater!	
19	Chess Club starts, all skill levels welcome - Mondays 2:50-4pm	
20	PMSS Future Gr 9 IB registration night	
22	Olympic Pride spirit day	
23	District Pro D Day – Schools not in session	
26	PAC Meeting – 6:30 in Library	
27	Sr. Band playing at PMSS Spring Concert (7pm)	
28	Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying Day)	
28	Pink Shirt day film presentation of Wonder (book by RJ Palacio)	
28	Maple Man visit	
MARCH		
2	PAC Hot Lunch Day -Montana's restaurant	
2	Grade 6 Basketball tournament @ Moody	
5	Parents contacted by Board Office about Cross-catchment approval / denial	
6,7,8	Basketball Playoffs – Location TBA	
8	Dollars and Sense presentation for Gr 8 and Gr 7/8	
12	PAC Meeting – 6:30 in Library	
12	Schools contact parents about accepted cross-catchment requests	
16	PAC Hot Lunch Day	
16	Last Day prior to Spring Break – Report Cards distributed to students	
19-29	Spring Break – schools not in session	
30	Good Friday – schools not in session	
APRIL	Good 1 11day - Schools 1101 111 Session	
	Easter Monday	
2	Easter Monday – schools not in session	
3	Schools re-open after Spring Break – Term 3 begins	

## Ask Me About ...?

This is a weekly feature to help promote conversations at home between parents/guardians and their child. Our EMMSOTA learners are becoming experts about their own learning needs, styles and accomplishments. In order for each student to make progress with this understanding, we need our students to talk about their learning with others each day. This week, ask your child about: What connections did you make to the community circle this week? Who is Denny Morrison and how is he an example of being tenacious – one of our school values?

# **After School Supervision**

Our supervision schedule for staff concludes at 3:05pm each day. This supervision schedule provides students time to safely begin making their way home by foot, bike, car or bus. Students that are staying for an after school team or club are safely supervised by the staff leader of that planned event.

If students are waiting for a ride after 3:05pm we require students to wait in the foyer of A Building or in front of the school on the steps of A Building. Similarly, if students are staying after 3:05pm to get help from a teacher or friend, or to work on a project, they are to do so in a classroom, library, or the Youth Lounge.

Please discuss your after school plans and procedures with your child so there are no surprises. Recently we have had calls that students are not getting home at the expected time, or they are planning to stay at school for extended periods of time without being part of a planned after school event. Please help us reduce the amount of unsupervised time for your son/daughter after school to support their socially responsible choices and positive use of time.

# **Construction Updates**

Moving forward with a *wave*. Flexible outdoor learning space created for EMMSOTA students and a beautifully lit area at night.

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## **Counsellor's Corner**

Grade 8 Students: Moving to Secondary School

You can keep up to date on Moving to Secondary school on our EMMSOTA website under Publications in the folder called <u>Moving to Secondary School</u>If you would like to speak with the school counsellor, please contact Ms. Armstrong. <u>marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca</u>

#### Incoming Grade 6 Students for 2018-19

Please mark your calendars for these important transitioning events: May 2 – 7:00-8:30pm - Grade 5 Parent & Student information evening June 7 – 9:30am-12:00noon – Grade 6 for a morning



## **Real Acts of Caring Week** Real Acts of Caring Week- A Success!

Real Acts of Caring (RAC) Week was a huge success thanks to the kind efforts of the entire EMMSOTA community rallying together to spread the kindness. We reviewed "Each Kindness" by Jacqueline Woodson, we created beautiful and unique heart wreaths around the theme of empathy, we celebrated Valentine's Day with something sweet while wearing something pink or red, AND... we took action to spread our appreciation and nominate someone when we were the recipients of a kind action or when we spotted someone being kind to others. What an incredible sight it is to see an entire wall of RAC entries in the main foyer highlighting the many kind actions from our student body! It was also exciting to see all our lockers shining with heart-shaped messages of kindness initiated by our amazing Spirit BRICK group led by **Christine** (youth worker) and Mr. Zimmer!



We came together as students and staff who went the extra mile to celebrate kindness together! How amazing it is that with a little practice and encouragement, the kindness continues to take place in class and during breaks! While last week was our final official day to openly celebrate the value of kindness by nominating a peer who was caught doing something caring, we know this is a perfect segue to continue to share kindness because of the intrinsic reward, knowing just how good it feels to be kind and to share kindness!

Yes, it is absolutely true that "It's cool to be kind!" While it is helpful to know someone is willing to support you with your homework, share a snack, or hold the door open for others, please look beyond what we should naturally be doing every day, to be our kindest selves! "Be kinder than necessary" and you'll reap the rewards of making someone else's day count as well as your own!

We announced students and staff who were awarded the title, "<u>Honourable Mention</u>" for being kind:

Curtis who spontaneously got up and helped Ms Jung move the classroom carpet.

The Awesome **Spirit BRICK group** for those lovely locker kindness messages – nominated by **Ms Egelstad**! Thank you!!

Annika, Victoria, Nicole and Atena, for stacking the classroom chairs after everyone had already left the class. Ms Egelstad is thankful for you!

Mr. Kolkea: Megan C would like to thank you for being our principal; it must be really hard! Mrs. Bennett and Christine: Megan C was really grateful that you went to each class and handed out candy on Valentine's Day!

Bianca shared her chips with Augustina.

**Niko** always helps to maintain the Learning Support Centre keeping it clean and tidy after lunch. It was **Ms Thorburn** who nominated you!

**Ms Taylor-Hill**, thank you for donating the pretty coloured nail polishes! How cool that she was recognized by four people – **Christine, Rayna, Megan and Chloe**!

How about the recognition that **Division 4** has given to **Ms Magnusson** for being the best math teacher and to **Ms Stibbs** for being a teacher who is kind, helpful and creative.

Daria and Valeria were recognized for helping to organize the books in the library. Ms Leonard

appreciates your kind efforts!

Sebastian was honoured for being herself and making Mia laugh!

**Ms Walling** is someone who is always a great and friendly teacher. We bet **Danika** isn't the only student who thinks so; how nice it was for **Ms Walling** to start the day hearing kind words about herself!

Each day, we awarded prizes (Me to We gear, Pink Shirt, candy, EMMSOTA swag) to students and staff who shared kindness inside and outside of our classrooms at EMMSOTA! Check out the recipients:

Layla gave Brandon a pencil when he did not have one.

Olivia was a great friend who helped Seanna with her work!

Solomon offered to put up a poster for Christine!

**Hailey** helped me with my math – from Lola

How heartwarming is this one? **Steve** – you received your RAC just for being your amazing self! – from Lucy

Logan shared that Mr. Salindong, our caretaker, is always being a nice guy in general.

**Maria** from Division 11 is always helping out at the office, volunteering her time every week. Ms Taylor-Hill and Ms De Groot would like to recognize you for your continued efforts.

Rebecca was nominated because she helped Lucas score-keep the basketball game!

Adrian gave a duotang to Simon because he knew that "being kinder than necessary" is worth it! Oliver has been nominated for being concerned and caring towards his friend who got injured in gym. Mme LeBlanc appreciates your thoughtfulness!

**Chasey** is someone who gives good advice to her friend, Mesk.

Xylia gave out cards to everyone in class! Augustina would like recognize your kind effort!

Caprice from Division 4 was sick and Carolyn made her feel better and stayed with her.

Did you know that Ashley stood up for Sarina and her efforts were appreciated?

**Solomon** gave his juice box to Madison when she did not have one.

Kyla sat with Vania when she was alone.

**Sofia** has been a good friend and has made a stressful situation better.

Harith presented Christine with personalized cookies. You rock!

**Angel** was noted by Romina for complimenting her writing, welcoming her back after her absence and for being a good friend!

**Kian** and his friends were kind to Julia when they let her join their group at lunch. How sweet! **Mia** was appreciated by Ms Leonard for shelving books in the library!

Jake helped Alastair find his lost key. What a stand-up guy!

**Jaxson** let Matthew use his supplies when he didn't have any to complete his work. We've all been there and so how nice it is to have your kindness recognized for doing the right thing!

## **Youth Lounge**

Chess Club started last week, and runs every Monday after school in the Youth Lounge. Chess club is for all skill levels and will meet every Monday (except for the first Monday of each month) from 2:50-4:00 in the Youth Lounge. Contact our Youth Worker for information -Christine McLellan <u>cmclellan@sd43.bc.ca</u>



## **Pink Shirt Day**

Pink Shirt (Anti-Bullying) Day is next Wednesday, Feb 28. We encourage students, staff and families to wear pink that day to show your support of Anti-Bullying! Any pink shirt works... Pink shirts that were ordered are being handed out this week





## Fire pod update

This week in Mr. Budai's science class, Division 11 and 12 made structures out of marshmallows and spaghetti sticks to survive an earthquake for 10 seconds with a boiled egg on each structure that each group had made.

Sincerely, the students of division 12



#### Yearbook 2017-18 – We still have yearbooks available

We are well underway with the production on our new year book for 2017/2018. The yearbook can now be ordered for \$45. You can pay with cash or cheque or school cash online.

#### **Band News**

Sr. Band students will be playing in the **PMSS Spring Concert** on the evening of **February 27th at 7pm**. Friends and family are encouraged to attend and watch as the Moody Middle students combine in one mass band with the PMSS Jr. Band, Sr. Band, and the Port Moody Community Band.



#### Dress for the weather

Winter is here! Please ensure you send your children to school equipped for the outdoors. Outdoor recreation periods are often an important part of a student's physical activity and social time. Consequently, they may spend nut break, lunch or PE outside in all types of weather. Please send your children to school equipped with raincoats, hats and even extra shoes on rainy days, and warm hats, mitts, snow boots, warm coats as the weather gets colder. Students who are dry and warm are more likely to be comfortable and in the green zone, ready to learn.

## **Student Lunch Reminder**

Students need to make sure they pack cutlery for their lunches as we do not supply forks/spoons at school.

#### **Grade 6 Stay Active Program**

Can be accessed on the SD43 public website on the following page: <u>http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Pages/publications.aspx</u>

## PAC & DPAC NEWS

PAC Meeting – Monday Feb 26 at 6:30pm in Library

# DPAC43 presents 'The Exploitation of our Youth: Online & Offline' with guest speakers from Children of the Street Society

Thursday Mar 8 2018 – 6:30-8:00pm – Terry Fox Secondary Theatre Free Parent Info Session for all parents of District 43 students – your children in Grade 10/11/12 are welcome to attend with you – online registration is required for everyone attending...

Online Registration link: <u>http://dpac43childrenofthestreet2018.eventbrite.ca</u>

Brochure: The Exploitation of Youth free parent info session Mar 8

#### **EMMSOTA PAC Facebook Page:**

"Like" our page to receive updates on events, meetings and fundraising initiatives: <u>https://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC/</u>





# Hot Lunch ordering is still open for upcoming dates!

Ordering closes (min) 5 days before the delivery date. Feb 22 is the cut-off date for Montana's - Mar 2 hot lunch day.

*(upcoming hot lunch dates Feb 16 & Mar 2, 16)* For full details about our PAC hot lunch program



please follow this link to our PAC website: PAC Hot Lunch program

To order Hot Lunch, parents please use the link below to register an account

(new users) or Login (returning users).

https://munchalunch.com/schools/moodymiddleschool

## DPAC

Parent feedback needed by FEB 26 for 'Policy 22: Standards of Conduct for Parents and Guardians'

 INFO: FOR PARENT FEEDBACK - Please see the attached handout and questionnaire for parent feedback <u>Policy 22</u> <u>Policy 22 Questionnaire</u>

Hot lunch program needs your help! Parent volunteers are needed to help with distribution on Hot Lunch Days on Fridays, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. A Co-Chair for this program is also needed. If you are available to volunteer please contact Kara Crawford at <u>kara\_crawford@telus.net</u> with your availability. The time commitment is about 1 hour from 11:30 to 12:30 on the Hot Lunch Days.

\*If your child is away from school on a Hot Lunch Day, the lunch previously ordered will be available for pick-up in their classroom during lunch block. There will be no cancellations or refunds.

## PAC - Moody Middle/Thrifty Foods Fundraising Program:

- Do you occasionally shop at Thrifty's? Please order a **Thrify's card** to help the PAC raise funds for fieldtrips. *See the attached order form on the last page of this edition of Moody Matters.*
- If you have any questions, please contact Heather Skipworth via email at <u>skippys@shaw.ca</u> or phone 604-461-6570. Order forms can be found at the following link: <u>..\PAC\2016-17\Moody Middle and Thrifty Foods Fundraising Program 2017-18.pdf</u>

# Community News - Publications - Community News

- The City of Port Moody is offering a number of exciting programs, training and events for youth this winter and for Spring Break. See our "Community News" on our website for further information. <u>Moody Community Info</u>
- Place des Arts is offering some fun and exciting Spring Break programs please see our website (or the poster attached) for information. <u>Place des Arts Spring Break Camps</u>



#### Library Book Club poster

#### Coquitlam Minor Football free BBQ and Spring Flag program Mar 4





SD43 Summer Learning

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Trevor Kolkea (@tkolkea)

#### 2/17/18, 12:47 PM

Love to reflect on our new building progress. Such an incredible journey to opening a new school. Literally many steps being taken! <u>#SD43 pic.twitter.com/JMxmZY5Lx4</u>



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# EMMSOTA / Moody Middle & Thrifty Foods Fundraising Program

The Moody Middle PAC is raising funds school field trips and to help offset these costs we have partnered with Thrifty Foods to take part in their Smile Card Program.

#### What is a Smile Card?

A Smile Card is just like a gift card with the added bonus of having 5% of the amount loaded onto the Smile Card donated back to Moody Middle. Smile Cards are available by ordering via the form below, once you receive the card you load it with any dollar amount you choose BEFORE you shop at Thrifty Foods. The card is reloadable so when funds are running low on the card just reload it and continue shopping, it's that easy!!

If you have any questions please email skippys@shaw.ca

#### 2018 Smile Card Order Form

# of Cards requested:

Contact Name & Email associated with the card (for tracking and contact purposes):

Name:	Email:
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Student's Name: Grade: Teacher:

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PAC / Office Use Only

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