

Happy Holidays!

from all the staff at

EMMSOTA!

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Michelle
Lide

Tiba Budai

M. Hall

E. Baboi

A. Y. Blum

D. Zimmer

K. Jung

A. Sanderson

H. Hobbs

Scott
Pillsbury

Steve Luning
A. Walker

Thalling

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J. Wainwright
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M. Clay

Jennifer
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Moody Matters



École Moody Middle School of the Arts

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[ÉMMSOTA Website](#)

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[www.Moody Middle website calendar](#)

WEEKLY:

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| - Mon / Wed @ 07:40 | Senior Band Practice |
| - Mon / Tues @ 12:02 | Art Club with Mr. Walker (Art Room) |
| - Mondays 2:55-3:55 | Chess Club (Youth Lounge) (not 1 st Mondays) |
| - Mon / Thurs 3-4:15pm | Basketball – Gr 7 & 8 boys (Dec-Mar) |
| - Tues/Thurs @ 07:40 | Junior Band Practice |
| - Tues/Thurs @ 3-4:15 | Wrestling (Dec-Feb) |
| - Tues/Thurs lunch | Gr 6 Basketball – starting Jan 10 |
| - Tues 3-4:15pm (Jan 15-Mar 5) | Youth Club – Cooking |
| - Wed 3-4:00 (Jan 16-Mar 6) | Youth Club – Wacky Experiments |
| - Thurs 3-4:15pm (Jan 17-Mar 7) | Youth Club – Creative Arts |
| - Fri @ 07:40 | Choir practice |
| - Fri @ 2:50pm | Badminton Club |
| - Fri 3-5pm | Friends of Simon tutoring |

DECEMBER

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| 21 | Pancake breakfast & PJ day |
| 21 | Winter Showcase assembly /
Last day in session before Winter vacation |
| 24 | Winter vacation starts |

JANUARY

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| 7 | Schools re-open after Winter vacation |
| 8 | PMSS IB program info session – 7-8:30pm @ PMSS |
| 9 | PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza |
| 10 | PMSS IB program info session – 7-8:30pm @ PMSS |
| 14 | PAC meeting |
| 15-17 | Pt Moody after school Youth Clubs start |
| 15 | Late French Immersion (LFI) info night @ Winslow (7pm) |
| 15-25 | Pink Anti-bullying t-shirt sales |
| 18 | IB Applications due by 4pm |
| 24 | Ski & Snowboard Club starts – Thurs x 4 weeks + Mar 14 |
| 25 | Grade 8 Tours at Secondary Schools |
| 26 | PMSS IB intake assessment |

Amendment to the 2019/20 School Calendar

The school district would like to inform students, parents and SD43 staff that the 2019/20 school calendar has changed the date of the October Professional Development Day. The date of October 18th, 2019 has been moved to October 25th, 2019 to align with Provincial Specialist Association conferences. For more information on SD43 Calendars, please visit the school district website at www.SD43.bc.ca.

Stay tuned!

Our daily announcements are posted on our website at moodymiddle.ca for parents to refer to. You'll even find important dates running as a banner across the top of our webpage!

Greetings from the Admin Team

Greetings Ecole Moody Middle School of the Arts.

Season's Greetings and Joyeux Noelle

We are there... at our winter break. First Term Reports are a thing of the past, concerts are done, school festivities wrapped up and now it's time for some rest and relaxation over the holidays. It has been a pleasure to see your children learning and thriving in the classrooms and in all the activities around our school community over the past several months.

All week students showed their spirit with special themed days organized by our Spirit Crew, Mr. Zimmer and Christine our wonderful youth worker. This morning we hosted an amazing pancake breakfast to celebrate all the hard work in the first term. Thanks to Ms. Jung and her wonderful elves for getting everything ready this morning starting at 7 AM. We put out hundreds of pancakes with fruit to our entire learning community, and then were able to take all of our extras to a local shelter for the homeless in our community. They were very appreciative this time of year.

We want to say a special thank and good luck to Ms. Jung as she goes on personal leave to complete her PHD. Her energy and enthusiasm for all things ÉMMSOTA are going to be missed for the latter half of the year. We wish her all the best and look forward to hearing of her completed studies sometime later in the summer. Bonne Chance!

Please enjoy the time off with your children. Have some fun, see some lights, eat, rest, be happy and share some kindness out in the community wherever you can. It is a wonderful time of year and what makes it even more memorable is sharing with those less fortunate. Please be mindful of the impact you can have in our community by just sharing a small gift or the gift of time by helping out in some small way. It always makes a difference!

Looking forward to 2019 and all that it will offer us here at École Moody Middle School of the Arts.

Thank you as always for sharing your children with us every day.

Cheers, à bientôt

Mark Clay, Principal & Kathryn Jung, Vice Principal

Winter Weather Ahead!

While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other inclement weather conditions. All schools in School District 43 (Coquitlam) will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

However, on occasion, a district-wide or partial-district closure is required due to extreme weather. Partial-district closures affecting individual schools may occur due to the very different geography within our school district. If there is a partial-district closure affected, schools will be identified.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements.

Any district-wide or partial-district closure will be decided and communicated by 6:30 a.m. via the School District 43 website www.sd43.bc.ca and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

Extreme weather can also impact transit. Transit schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes: www.sd43.bc.ca

Learn more about SD43's process for emergency and inclement weather status updates at: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation.aspx>

Counsellor's Corner

It's almost the new year and the grade 8s are already thinking about high school. We have started some conversations about the transition to high school with them, so parents, please ask your child to share their thoughts about grade 9 with you. We will soon be updating our website and we will have more information posted there; one important event is the high school tour for all students on Friday, January 25th during the afternoon. There are parent information evenings scheduled at the high schools as early as the first week back in January so you can attend any of these to learn more about programs offered.

In mid-January, the Big Sisters will be running a program after school with some of our grade 6 and 7 girls. We have had the Go Girls at our school for several years; there will be mentors working with some of our students to help build life skills and self-confidence through group activities and workshops.

As a staff, we continue to work together to support children's mental health and emotional well-being. If your family is experiencing a challenge, we are open to hearing about it so we can better understand and support your child. Please feel free to contact me at marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca.

Enjoy your holiday!

School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

INFORMATION MEETING FOR GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

Tuesday, January 8th or Thursday, January 10th, 2018

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

Students and parents 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 <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Pages/default.aspx> and www.ibo.org

Grade 8 articulation to Grade 9 events are posted on our calendar – please check our website for updates: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/moody/Lists/Calendar/calendar.aspx>

Moody Middle Youth Club

Moody Middle, in conjunction with The City of Port Moody, is once again offering Youth Club after-school programs at Moody Middle. Programs start the week of January 15 and run until the week of March 5. Programs include COOKING, WACKY EXPERIMENTS, and CREATIVE ARTS. Sign up through the City of Port Moody at www.portmoody.ca
More information: [Moody Middle Youth Club](#)



Athletics

Questions – please contact Coach Abello – aabello@sd43.bc.ca

WRESTLING:

Our Moody Wrestlers are in fine form and have had three weeks of practices so far. Our team is coached by volunteers Troy Kimoto and his son, Ryan, who is a former ÉMMSOTA student! Our practices will be switching **from** Tuesdays and Thursdays **to** Mondays and Wednesdays in the new year. **Our first practice of 2019 will be on Wednesday, January 9th.** Look for updates for our wrestling meets - parent volunteers will be needed! Please fill out both a driver's abstract and a criminal record check - both available on our website. Any questions, please contact Coach Grayston – rgrayston@sd43.bc.ca

Volunteers are often needed to drive. If you are able to help with driving, please ensure you have your Volunteer forms and Driver forms completed. Forms can be found on our website: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/moody/Parents/forms/Pages/default.aspx>

Ski & Snowboard Club

Our student season passes are ready for pick up at Guest Services located in the Alpine Activity Centre. Remember to bring two pieces of ID including your teacher ID (parents should bring one government issued ID). Our staff will ask you to sign a waiver, take your photo and print your pass. 😊



Yearbook – early bird price ending soon!

Yearbooks are still on sale for only \$38 – but only until December 31st! Please buy using School Cash Online. Please see Ms. Walling for a paper order form if you are paying by cash or cheque. Don't miss your chance to get the yearbook at our early bird price of \$38

WE Leadership NEWS:

Thank you 'One and All' for supporting this year's: **12 Days of Giving!**

The firemen picked up our donations and were very impressed with the amount of food we collected!

1,200 Non-perishable Food Items = 30 very full boxes for our local SHARE Food Bank!!!

Prizes were given out to the Top Collectors from each Division and the Top 3 Collectors in the School:

#1 Michael Fera	collected 136 items
#2 Kora Henderson	collected 99 items
#3 Katherine McAloney	collected 61 items

Thank you for giving generously Moody :)

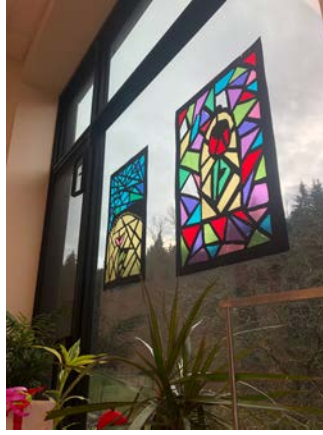
Ms. Egelstad & the WE Leadership BRICK



Water Pod:

Students in Water Pod have used their creative talents to produce beautiful stain glass works of art. The images were chosen from their mythological short stories. Students investigated the science behind light rays, colour, radiation, reflection and absorption. The coloured light panels were analysed for mathematical area and percentage of colour compared to the whole. Students also researched examples of famous stain glass from around the world and studied their impact on art and culture. If you are in the neighbourhood, you are welcome to see the student examples throughout Water Pod area, the Library, and the office - just be sure to check in at the office first.





Mr. Abello and Ms. Walling

WATER POD CLIMATE LEADERSHIP TRAINING

After participating in climate leadership training, Division 13 has been selected as the Port Moody class that has decreased their carbon footprint the most of all classes who participated in the Cool It Challenge. The challenge was sponsored by the BC Sustainable Energy Association, the City of Port Moody, Science World, and other partners. Lucy Longley (Division 13), and Alexandra Sava (Division 14) also won individual prizes! As the winning class, Division 13 received a pizza party, and visit from the City of Port Moody's sustainability coordinator, Laura Sampliner and Councilor Steve Milani. Congratulations to all who participated, and worked hard to reduce their impact on our planet!



Secret Santa:

Staff at ÉMMSOTA got into the spirit of Christmas this year by being a Secret Santa for other staff members. The idea was to buy a toy for the “kid” in that teacher. All toys were then donated to the Port Moody Fire and Rescue toy drive. Many of the toys donated were excellent matches for the personality of the teacher. For example, Mr. Clay got a lighted goalie set, Ms. Jung received a craft stone, and Mme Grayston has a crochet set. Thanks to all staff for participating!



Library Learning Commons:

Overdue Library Books

Overdue books that are found during the holidays may be returned upon our start up on January 7, 2019. Thank you!



EMMSOTA's Book of the Year

Contest is going strong. There are 10 books in the running, and students need to read at least 3 of them to be eligible to vote for their favourite one. However, the more books a student reads, the more times their name will be entered into a draw for some fabulous prizes. The following link will provide some more details about the contest and how the books were chosen. Contest closes on April 30.

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/LibraryServices/Pages/BookoftheYear.aspx>

COMMUNITY LISTINGS

Please see our **Moody Middle** website for many different community opportunities! Examples include:

[Place Des Arts adapted Art programs for Youth and Adults Winter Spring 2019](#)

ÉMMSOTA/Moody Middle PAC

Mark your Calendars!

- Upcoming Hot Lunch and Treat Days – Online Ordering Opens Soon
 - Jan 9 - Pizza (Fresh Slice) - an "Extra Slice" option has been added to all pizza days
 - Jan 23 - White Spot
 - Feb 6 - Subway (Turkey sandwich has been added to the menu)
 - Feb. 20 – Treat Day – treats available to students for cash purchase
 - Mar 6 - Pizza (Fresh Slice)
- PAC Meeting Dates for the remainder of the school year are: Jan 14, Feb 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3

District 43 Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) – BCCPAC Free Parent Info Session.

Monday Jan 14, 2019 @ Winslow Centre – 7-8:30pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. [BCCPAC Parent Info Evening \(free\)](#)

This session will focus on educating parents to better equip them to navigate and understand the process, protocols & procedures of the district; why positive relationships with teachers & admin staff at the school level are important, & clarity on the roles & responsibilities of all involved.

Families benefit when parents understand their role & responsibilities within the school community.

PAC Donations:

The Moody Middle PAC has decided to have a “by donation” fundraising initiative along with ongoing fundraising efforts throughout this school year.

We are asking parents for either a one-time donation, participation in fundraising events, or both throughout the 2018-2019 school year. Funds accumulated will be used to purchase “Wish List” items that staff and parents at Moody Middle decide will enrich our children’s school experience.

Here are some of the items funded by PAC dollars in recent years:

- *Social media awareness presentations for students and parents*
- *fieldtrip transportation costs*
- *spirit wear t-shirts for all students*
- *digital camera equipment*
- *Cultural performances*
- *Grade 8 leaving celebration*

Thank you in advance for your support.

We encourage you to use SchoolCashOnline to make your payment – click on the following link (<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/moody/WebPages/Online%20Payments.aspx>).

You may also fill out the form below and return it along with your payment to the office. Please make all cheques payable to Moody Middle School.

Please click on the following link for the full PAC Donation letter:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/moody/Parents/PAC/PAC%20News/Moody%20Middle%20Donation%20Letter%20Sep%202018.pdf>

ÉMMSOTA PAC Facebook Page:

“Like” our page to receive updates on events, meetings and fundraising initiatives: <https://www.facebook.com/ÉMMSOTAPAC/>



PAC FUNDRAISERS:

Please Help Moody Middle PAC fundraise while doing your shopping!

THRIFTY FOODS

Eat happy



Thrifty Foods

Thrifty Foods will donate 5% of the dollars you load on your pre-assigned Smile card to Moody Middle's PAC to help fund fieldtrips. Please contact Heather Skipworth via email at skippys@shaw.ca or phone 604-461-6570 for more information.



Cobs Bakery – Suter Brook Village

When shopping at COBS Bread - Suter Brook Village location mention Moody Middle and COBS will donate 5% back to PAC initiatives for our school.



PORT MOODY
LIQUOR STORE
AT THE CORNER OF ST. JOHNS & WILLIAMS ST.

Port Moody Liquor Store

– Corner of St. Johns & Williams Street
Before making a purchase mention Moody Middle School and 4% from your purchase will be donated back to PAC.



Return-It Express - 2560 Barnet Hwy, Coquitlam

No sorting required and proceeds from your returned bottles & cans come back to Moody Middle's PAC. Bag returns in clear plastic bags and drop off at any Encorp Return-It Express location. Enter the school's phone # 604-461-7384 at the Express kiosk and print out labels for your returns.



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[School Website](#)
[PAC Website](#)
[District Website](#)

Moody Middle communicates with families via email, including sending newsletters, field trip notices and payment notices. If you do NOT wish to receive email from Moody Middle, please reply to this email with 'UNSUBSCRIBE' in the subject line.