

Moody Matters



École Moody Middle School of the Arts

e-Bulletin – 30 Nov 2018

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) |
| - Tues/Thurs @ 07:40 – | Junior Band Practice |
| - Tues 3-4pm (Oct 23-Dec 11) – | Youth Club – Dance for Girls |
| - Wed 3-4:15 (Oct 24-Dec 12) – | Youth Club – Cooking |
| - Thurs 3-4pm (Oct 25-Dec 13) – | Youth Club – Games Zone |
| - Fri @ 07:40 – | Choir practice |
| - Fri @ 2:50pm | Badminton Club |
| - Fri 3-5pm – | Friends of Simon tutoring |

DECEMBER

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| 4 | Strong Start Closed today/12 Days of Giving starts today! |
| 6 | Field trip (Wind pod) – Skating |
| 12 | Field trip (Water pod) – Skating |
| 12 | PAC Hot Lunch - Subway |
| 13 | PURDY'S CHOCOLATE ORDER PICK-UP!! |
| 13 | Winter Concert @ 7pm (dress rehearsal in afternoon) |
| 17 | Field trip (Choir) – Christmas Carols Concert @ Kway |
| 18 | Choir @ CP Holiday Train, Pt Moody Rec Ctr @ 5pm |
| 20 | Field trip (Fire pod) - Skating |
| 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 |
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Stay tuned!

Recall that 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!

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.

Greetings from the Admin Team

A huge THANK YOU to our Staff, Students and Parents for attending our Communicating Student Learning Conferences over the past three days. They were a huge success with a high rate of participation! Thank you to parents and students for taking time to reflect on how Term One represented learning throughout our school community. There have been many learning highlights and shared values of R.E.S.P.E.C.T. demonstrated over the past three months and parents should be very proud of their child's accomplishments.

We are excited about taking what we have observed and learned over the first term and applying it to second term to ensure that we put forth our best efforts each day. Teachers are now busy compressing the information that was shared and reviewed at these conferences and documenting it into our first term report card being sent home on December 14th. We look forward to putting into action our collaborative goals so that students continue to move forward in their 30-month learning journeys.

We also need to acknowledge the efforts of all staff in the communicating student learning process. Teachers work tirelessly to encourage, support and facilitate active learning in their classrooms everyday and then to ensure students understand the value of the assessment process and how they can authentically contribute to that process. Cheers to our teachers and support staff through this valuable process. Thank you!

We would like to share our gratitude for our wonderful PAC and their ongoing efforts in support of our learning community:

Special thanks to **Mrs. Skipworth** for pulling off another Book Fair bonanza. She has passed the threshold into honorary staff. Our student helpers and parent volunteers made the event more successful and Mrs. Leonard's support of the event in bringing classes through really helped, too! Do you think we met our sales goal of \$3000? Did you figure out how many pages were in the stack of books? Stay tuned for all the details about winners and parent volunteers next week! If you ordered a book at the fair, it will be available next Friday! Listen to the announcements and check our website for updates! Many of our parents purchased books for our classrooms at the event, too. Thank you for supporting our classroom reading libraries!! Those books will become well loved!

Special thanks to **Mrs. Kuypers** and **Mrs. Morris** for organizing the Purdy's Chocolates Fundraiser last week. We appreciate the support of our families as the festive season gets underway! Please stay tuned for information about pick up of the chocolates on December 13th, the night of our music concert!

Parking at EMMSOTA

We would like to thank all of our school families for their patience as construction continues on and around our beautiful new school. We do our best to communicate with the City and our private contractors around drop off and pick up times at EMMSOTA. We will do our best to inform the community of any changes that may impact the drop off and pick up of our students. As always we try and ensure that our students are safe getting to and from school. We appreciate your flexibility and consideration for student safety.

We strongly encourage all families to use William and Henry Street when accessing the school and **only dropping off on the East side of Buller**. We are still seeing too many students running out in front of cars in the middle of the street and this is **absolutely** not safe. Please take some extra care in the rainy weather and allow an extra 5-10 minutes getting to school in the morning and make plans with your children to meet you along Henry or even over on James Street after school. We need to do our best to limit the congestion and unsafe conditions for our children.

There is an end in sight and we are hopeful that the new year will bring some respite from our parking and drop off woes. Thank you.

Cheers, à bientôt

Mark Clay, Principal & Kathryn Jung, Vice Principal

Middle Years Instrument (MDI) Survey 2019

Students in grade 7 will be participating in this year's MDI in partnership with UBC working at the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP). SD43 makes up one of the largest groups of students in BC being asked about their thoughts, feelings and experiences inside and outside of school in an effort to allow teachers to understand and have information about general trends on student learning, and connectedness to others and self. Already, the information garnered in this research has led to systemic changes that can be seen at play in our Action Plan for Learning (APL) and our focus on Social and Emotional Learning and Self-Regulated Learning practices. On Monday, parents of grade 7 students will be receiving an information letter explaining the MDI survey which will take place in January and February, 2019. For more information, please contact Mr. Clay at mclay@sd43.bc.ca Thank you.

Winter Weather Ahead!

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

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.

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>

Athletics

Winter sports will be starting up soon. Sign-up is underway for the Wrestling team and Basketball teams. Practice times will be announced in the coming days as teams are able to meet with their coaches to decide on practice days. Game schedules will be available early in the new year.

For the month of December:

Wrestling practice every Tuesday and Thursday starting Dec. 4. 3pm - 4:15pm

Bball Gr. 7 and 8 Boys every Thursday and Monday starting Dec. 6. 3pm – 4:15pm

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Abello, our Athletic Director aabello@sd43.bc.ca

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

FOOD, FOOD, Glorious FOOD!

December is fast approaching...so get ready to get involved and help support our WE Leadership students provide our local food bank with much needed **non-perishable food items** this winter.

The 12 Days of Giving food collection contest runs for 2 weeks beginning December 4th.

Please see the list of much needed items for SHARE...



Ski & Snowboard Club – Mt. Seymour pass forms handed out / payment info



We've had a great response to our ÉMMSOTA Ski & Snowboard Club, and the club is now full! Students who returned their registration forms have now been given the Mount Seymour season pass form to take home and complete. These forms were to be **returned to Mme LeBlanc by Nov 30**. Payment will be open on School Cash Online – **full payment is due by December 5th**.

BONUS: All members of the Ski & Snowboard Club will qualify for a Mt Seymour season pass, which are set up at Mt. Seymour. As long as students turned in their registration forms by November 30, they will be able to use this pass as soon as the mountain opens, even over winter vacation.

[Ski & Snowboard Club info form](#)

[First Tracks Mt Seymour registration and permission form](#)

Spirit Day

Every Friday, students are encouraged to wear Moody Spirit wear or Moody Colours (red and blue).



Library Learning Commons:



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>

Lost and Found

Please be sure to label all personal belongings clearly. Items that have been misplaced often end up in our lost and found bin in the Multi-Purpose Room. Precious or small items may be claimed in the office. Items are donated to SHARE when unclaimed for over a month.

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](#)

SD43 INFORMATION

[SD43Superintendent'sLettertoParentstreFortisBCNov2018](#)

ÉMMSOTA/Moody Middle PAC

Upcoming PAC Meeting: December 3 – 6:30pm in the Library Learning Commons (NOTE change of date)

PAC FUNDRAISER – PURDY'S HOLIDAY CHOCOLATES!!

Thank you for placing your orders for the ÉMMSOTA PAC Purdy's Holiday Fundraiser! Pick-up will be at Moody Middle on December 13th.

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.