

# Moody Matters



École Moody Middle School of the Arts

## e-Bulletin – 8-March-2019

ÉMMSOTA Website

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### [www.Moody Middle website calendar](http://www.Moody Middle website calendar)

| WEEKLY EVENTS                  |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| 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 <sup>st</sup> Mondays) |
| Mondays 12:02-1:10             | Jazz Band   |
| <b>*NEW* Mondays 2:45-3:45</b> | <b>PMSS Tutoring for Moody Middle students</b>          |
| Tues/Thurs @ 07:40             | Junior Band Practice                                    |
| Tues/Thurs 3-4:15              | Spring Musical practice                                 |
| Thursdays @ lunch              | Improv Club   |
| Fri @ 07:40                    | Choir practice  |
| Fri @ 3:00pm                   | Badminton Club  |
| Fri 3-5pm                      | Friends of Simon tutoring                               |

| MARCH |   |
|-------|---|
| 8     | BC Lions Special presentation   |
| 8     | Middle School public speaking festival  |
| 11    | Soapstone Carving Workshops   |
| 13    | WE Leadership Bake Sale for Ethiopia  |
| 14    | <b>Ski Club – 5<sup>th</sup>/Final date</b>   |
| 15    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> formal report cards - Last day before Spring Vacation                               |
| 18-29 | Spring Vacation Period  |
| APRIL |   |
| 1     | School re-opens after Spring Vacation   |
| 1     | Term 3 begins – Core & Expo (Earth & Wind)  |
| 4     | SLC/BELIEVE project pitches to Sarah Wells  |
| 15    | Term 4 begins – Expo (Fire & Water)   |
| 17    | SLC Meeting @ Scott Creek Middle School   |
| 18    | Tri Cities Mental health fair – WE Leadership & SLC students  |
| 19    | Good Friday (Schools not in session)  |
| 22    | Easter Monday (Schools not in session)  |
| 26    | Red Cross Babysitting first aid at ÉMMSOTA (see info/registration in Community Information Section) |
| 26    | SLC Conference  |
| 26    | Pro D – schools not in session  |

### Stay tuned!

Our daily announcements are posted on our website at [moodymiddle.ca](http://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

So, now that Spring is upon us... WOW!! Who would have believed that kind of snowfall in March! No problem ÉMMSOTA Community, we will winter through it.

It has been a busy week. Students have been engaging in soapstone carving, teachers have been writing reports, the BC Lions have been in to motivate our students, and of course it snowed once again. All just business as usual in our very busy middle school of the arts. Some takeaways for me as I wander the halls throughout the days:

\*\* Classrooms reflecting and discussing topics and concerns in circles, what an incredible way to represent the classroom community and stay true to the charters that were established at the very beginning of the year.

\*\* I participated in a gallery walk of student reflection as Divisions 11 and 12 represented their learning styles in many different artistic styles.

\*\* The gym is full every lunch hour with students shooting hoops, playing badminton and volleyball and getting active.

\*\* Every morning I enjoy the music of our bands and choir as I start my day. Well over 100 students sharing their gift and love for music on a daily basis.

\*\* Traffic duty...well actually the traffic part is a headache, but the student and parent greetings in the morning and the farewells at days end are worth persevering out there on Buller Street.

\*\* When the sun shines in and on our school, the views from our classrooms and other spaces really are incredible; inspiring in fact.

\*\* Our Youth Lounge is packed everyday with students playing games, hanging out, making puzzles, just being kids. Thanks Christine!

\*\* Our Exploration classes are building, playing, creating, singing, shouting, laughing, learning in different spaces and demonstrating success in areas outside the core classrooms.

\*\* Spirit Team is planning an exciting spirit week before we go for March Break.

\*\* Teachers talking about art installations, dressing up our school, planning for celebrations of learning, creating exciting learning challenges in pods, inquiry in the classrooms that lead to "aha" moments...magical really.

The countdown may be on for our March Break, but our school of the arts is really hopping! Students and staff are all looking forward to the break and we are looking forward to a final week of learning and fun before we turn them over to their families for a couple weeks. Be sure to check in with your children about what they are learning and what makes our school so special. Get them to tell you their learning stories and share in the excitement of middle school!

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

Mark Clay, Principal  
École Moody Middle School of the Arts

Alex Abello, Administrative Assistant

## Letters and information from SD43

- [Fraser Health Measles letter to parents](#)
- [SD43 Summer Learning](#)

- [Letter regarding vaping and cannabis use by youth or children](#)
- [Get the facts on Cannabis](#)
- [Talking with your teen about vaping](#)
- [Vape info](#)
- [Superintendent's Letter re Carbon Monoxide Detectors Jan 2019](#)

### Parking and Drop Off Reminders

Firstly, we would like to thank all of our learning community for their patience as we continue to navigate the difficulties with our parking, drop off and pick up situation. Caution and awareness when coming to and from school has indeed helped us get through the mess that is Buller Street. While we appreciate everyone's patience over the past several months, it is imperative that we continue to think safety first and at all times in and around the school. Here are just a few reminders to help us continue to keep everyone safe to and from school each day.

- \*\* Plan to arrive early or pick up a bit later so you avoid the main bulk of traffic in front of the school.
- \*\* Consider parking further away on William, St John's or James Street to minimize congestion at peak times. Students are very capable of walking a few hundred metres to school.
- \*\* NO U-TURNS PLEASE, anywhere on Buller Street or William and Henry.
- \*\* Please, do not park directly in front of the main driveway when dropping off or picking up! This is the main flow of student traffic and we want to keep it clear and ensure safety for staff and students at all times.
- \*\* Drive slowly and carefully at ALL times around the school. This is most important!

**Thank you all again for your patience and adherence to traffic safety at all times.**

### PAC Water Bottle Fundraiser!

The ÉMMSOTA PAC water bottle fundraiser continues, and orders will be delivered free of charge to the school every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.

**View the bottles and Order ONLINE @**

PUT THE FUN IN YOUR FUNDRAISER.

STAINLESS STEEL WATER BOTTLES

designed by First Nations Artists

**SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!**

HOW IT WORKS

- 1 Go to: kinderbooks.ca/fundraising
- 2 Find your School
- 3 Purchase water bottles
- 4 Pick up at school

kinder BOOKS

Contact Anne if you have any questions:  
604.696.2633  
info@kinderbooks.ca

<https://kinderbooks.ca/pages/moodymiddle>

**\*Please see the end of our newsletter for the full PAC Water Bottle Fundraiser letter to parents**

## Moody Athletics

The Grade 8 boys and Grade 8 girls basketball teams look forward to an exciting finish next week at their district playoffs. Best of luck to both teams during their final games. The year end Pizza Wrap Up Party will take place on Wed, March 13 at lunch. All basketball teams, grades 6 to 8, boys and girls will be invited to hear their coaches' year end speeches and enjoy a pizza and drink. Well done to all basketball teams!

Stay tuned for the Spring sports sign up. Coming up soon! Spring sport teams include: Rugby, Badminton (Gr. 7 and 8 only), Track and Field. Spring sport clubs will play once a week: Basketball club, Badminton club (for Gr.6s), Indoor Soccer club, Softball club.

Mr. A. Abello, Athletics Director

## Soapstone Carving activity

The students and staff of École Moody Middle were fortunate to be able to participate in a special activity over the past few weeks. Stone carving artists, Oliver and Jocelyn, led our classes in stone carving of small animals. With only hand tools, trays, water, sand paper, and elbow grease, the students carved out small animals out of the metamorphic rock. Animals included bears, orcas, wolves, and eagles. All the final art pieces look great and will be displayed at school for a few weeks before being released to their carvers. Thank you to artists Oliver and Jocelyn for helping us learn this new skill of stone carving.

*The school has been able to subsidize much of the costs, but we are asking families to pay \$5.00 with School Cash Online for this workshop as well. If you have not done so yet, please pay via School Cash Online asap.*



## Counsellor's Corner



The brain is a powerful machine; it requires, at the very least, sleep and food in order to function properly. Experts on brain research recommend developing a technology-free bedtime routine and providing a balanced diet in order to help our children be successful. We hear about many students communicating with their friends late into the night on their electronic devices. Parents, please have a look at the following article:

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/kids-sleep-advice-1.4931118>

We have also had many students asking us for food during the day. Can you please help your child to make a lunch (this might be easier to do at night) and to bring a snack for nutrition break in the morning. This will help them to learn better and it is a life skill that will benefit them both immediately and in the future. In addition, please be aware that the school does not have cutlery (forks/spoons/knives) for student use. Please ensure your child packs a utensil in their lunch if they require one.

Please see the link below for food inspirations:

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthy-eating/lunches-to-go>

### Grade 8 Students: Moving to Secondary School

Course selection forms for PMSS & Gleneagle are due back to students' homeroom teacher on **Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for helping your child choose their grade 9 courses and please remember to sign the form.

If you would like to speak with the school counsellor about anything related to the social-emotional or academic success of your child, please contact Ms. Armstrong.

[marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca)

### Library Learning Commons:



### EMMSOTA's Book of the Year Contest

There are weekly prizes for filling out a survey for the Book of the Year. Students are encouraged to fill out a survey as soon as they are finished one of the books. They do not have to read 3 books (the number needed to be eligible to vote) before they complete a survey. Plus the more surveys they fill out, the more times their name goes in the draw for a grand prize! Students can bring their device or use a library laptop to complete the online survey. Happy Reading!

Contest closes on April 30.

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

### Bookmark Contest

It is time for EMMSOTA's annual Bookmark Contest. Students are invited to design a bookmark with the chance to get it professionally printed for use in the Library Learning

Commons. The deadline is April 25 and the design must be completed on a template that can be picked up in the library. See Ms. Leonard for more details.

Ms. K. Leonard, Teacher-Librarian

### **Ski & Snowboard Club**

**OUR FINAL SKI & SNOWBOARD DATE IS ON MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>.** Please remember to send students with their ski or snowboard gear, dinner or \$ for dinner on Thursday morning.



Our student *season passes* are ready for pick up at Guest Services located in the Mount Seymour Alpine Activity Centre. Students and parents must present a piece of ID each. Seymour staff will ask you to sign a waiver, take your photo and print your pass. 😊

### **Yearbooks – regular price of \$45!**

Yearbooks are available for purchase 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, to help keep your memories from this year!

### **COMMUNITY LISTINGS**

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

Examples include:

- [Red Cross Babysitting First Aid coming to EMMSOTA April 26 2019](#)
- [Port Moody Soccer - Spring 2019](#)
- [Port Moody EPIC Youth Spring Break Camps 2019](#)
- [Coquitlam Sharks Aquatic - try water polo free Feb 15th](#)
- [Port Moody Farmers Markets kids club \(ages 5-12\)](#)
- [SD43 Friends & Family courses - discount code included!](#)
- <https://evergreenculturalcentre.ca/camps/> (Spring Break Camps)
- [Place Des Arts adapted Art programs for Youth and Adults Winter Spring 2019](#)
- [Port Moody Aquarians swim club](#)
- [Wheelchair Sports with Lacrosse - open to all participants](#)
- [Artist in Residence program Port Coquitlam until May 2019](#)



## ÉMMSOTA/Moody Middle PAC

### INFORMATION FROM THE SD43 DPAC:

- **School Traffic Safety Presentation**  
**Wednesday March 13 2019**  
**7:00-8:30pm**  
**Gallery Room, Winslow Centre**

The event is FREE, but please register at:

<https://dpac43schooltrafficsafety2019.eventbrite.ca>

Flyer: [School Traffic Safety information](#)

### PAC WATER BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Please see the end of our newsletter for information about the Stainless Steel Spirit Animal water bottles, available for purchase through our website at:

<https://kinderbooks.ca/pages/moodymiddle>



**PAC Meeting Dates** for the remainder of the school year are:

**April 1, May 6, June 10.** All parents and guardians are welcome!

### 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/>





# Water Bottle Fundraiser



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The PAC of École Moody Middle Moody has partnered with Kinder Books, a Port Moody business, for our Water Bottle Fundraiser. **We are raising funds for the school with 20% of all sales going directly to the school PAC.**

Kinder Books is proud that the water bottle supplier has strong ties to the local Native Americans and First Nations communities. This includes their work with organizations that support Indigenous education, women in transition, child welfare programs and elders and long time collaborations with First Nation artists residing in British Columbia.

These high quality stainless steel water bottles keep beverages hot for 12 hours and cold for 24 hours. They make unique gifts and range in price between \$18 to \$32 plus tax.

## Order online

- Go to <https://kinderbooks.ca/pages/moodymiddle>
- Order your water bottles
- Please enter student name, division/pod of your child at check out time into the merchant notes.

## Order Pickup

Orders will be delivered free of charge to the school every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Earlier pickups may be possible on request.

**Deadline for orders for Valentine's Day is Tuesday, February 5, 2019.**

Thank you for supporting our school!

**For further information contact [orders@kinderbooks.ca](mailto:orders@kinderbooks.ca)**

**604-616-2653 [www.kinderbooks.ca](http://www.kinderbooks.ca)**

## 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](mailto: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

– 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.*