

# Moody Matters



École Moody Middle School of the Arts

## e.Bulletin – 10-Jan-2020

[ÉMMSOTA Website](#)

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

[www.Moody Middle website calendar](#)

Please see our Bell Schedule at the end of this newsletter to confirm our daily schedule

WEEKLY EVENTS		END DATE
Mon / Wed @ 07:50	Senior Band Practice	June
Mon @ lunch	Art Club with Mr. Walker	June
Mondays 3-3:45	Tutoring with PMSS Students	June
Mondays 3:00-4:00	Chess Club (Youth Lounge) (not 1 <sup>st</sup> Mondays)	June
Tues/Thurs @ 07:50	Junior Band Practice	June
Friday @ 07:50	Choir practice	June
Friday 3-5pm	Friends of Simon tutoring	June
Tuesdays - Jan 21, 3:10 - 4:25 pm	Moody Middle Youth Club – Funky Fine Arts	March 10
Wednesdays - Starting Jan 15	Go Girls	March 4
Thursdays starting Jan 16, 2:30 pm	Ski & Snowboard Club	January 30
Wednesdays starting Jan 22, 3:00-5:00 pm	Moody Middle Youth Club – Youth Lounge Drop-in	March 11
Thursdays starting Jan 23, 3:10-4:40 pm	Moody Middle Youth Club – Meals Around the World	March 12

JANUARY	
13	Gleneagle Parent Info Night @ 7pm
13 @ 6:30pm	PAC Meeting (Library)
14	Heritage Woods Gr 8 Parent/Student info night @ 7pm
15	PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza
21	Pinetree Secondary Gr 8 Parent/Student info night @ 7pm (tour at 6:15pm)
23 @ 7-8:30 pm	Charles Best Secondary Gr 8 Parent/Student info night (tour at 6:30pm)
24 – times vary	Grade 8 tours at Catchment Schools
27	Pro D (School based) – Moody Middle not in session
29	Centennial Gr 8 Parent/Student info night @ 7pm
29	PAC Hot Lunch - Subway
29 @ 1:00 pm-2:00 pm	SLC – Middle General Meeting in Moody Middle Library
29 @ 1:30pm – 2:50 pm	Theatre Presentation – The Jungle Book by Place Des Arts
31	Spirit Assembly & egg drop competition results
FEBRUARY	
4	PMSS - Gr 8 Parent/Student info night @ 7pm

6-12	Cross Catchment application process open
7	PAC Treat Day – TCYB (yogurt)
12	PAC Hot Lunch - Sushi
14	Schools not in session
15	BC Family Day – schools not in session
26	PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza
28	District Pro D – Schools not in session

**Happy New Year to our entire EMMSOTA Community.**

We hope that everyone enjoyed their winter break and spent lots of time with family and friends relaxing, laughing and enjoying the festive season. It was so nice to welcome your children back to school in a new decade. The vibe around the school the first few days back was very positive, and it was clear all our students and staff were rested and ready to take on 2020.

There is no such thing as a slow start back for middle schools. Band and Choir is up and running, our sports teams are practicing, and auditions have begun for our Spring Musical, Willy Wonka. Daily Art is back in action and Pods are preparing to have their egg drop competitions leading up to the finals happening at our January 31, Spirit Gathering. Our egg drop competition is just one of the many connections we made to our school wide read, *The Science of Breakable Things*, by Tae Keller. Mr. Walker is currently taking all of our students' artwork and assembling it for this year's art installation which connects directly to the school wide read as well. The key themes of the book referenced mental health and well being, middle school age friendships and social dynamics, and the scientific method centred around an egg drop competition. Many teams have used this school wide read to connect different parts of the curriculum and create art that captures themes throughout the story. We are looking forward to the 31<sup>st</sup> Gathering and our art installation unveiling sometime later in February. These really are some great examples of how our learning community comes together around our common themes and visions.

Our Grade 8s are starting to prepare for Grade 9 articulation and course selection as we host several different secondary school counsellors in our building over the next couple of weeks before we send our Grade 8s on their Secondary Walkabout January 24<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. This is also the time of year when programs of choice applications are open, and we begin our cross-catchment process. Please be sure to stay on top of deadlines and applications if you are planning on applying for any special program at a secondary school or if your younger children coming into middle school are looking at on of our District's middle level programs of choice. All information can be found on our [District Website](#) (click link).

We are looking forward to some great events ahead in the coming months as we ring in the new year and the new decade. Stay tuned to our school website for updates and email or call if you have any questions about upcoming events and activities.

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

Cheers, A Bientot

Mark Clay            Kathryn Jung  
Principal            Vice Principal

## Programs of Choice Registration Information

Online registration for Programs of Choice for the 2020/21 school year will be available on the home page below during the following dates and times:

**Kindergarten Programs of Choice (Early French, Montessori, Mandarin Bilingual, Reggio) - Thursday, January 16 at 9 a.m. to Wednesday, January 22 at 4 p.m.**

**Late French Immersion and Late Montessori - Friday, January 17 at 9 a.m. to Thursday, January 23 at 4 p.m.**

[Learn more about the Programs of Choice here](#)

## Cross Catchment Registration Information

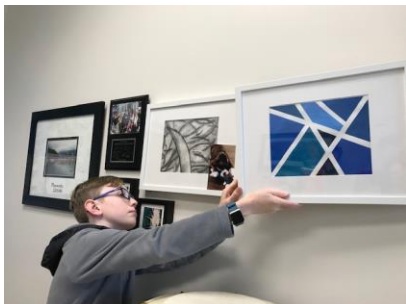
Online registration for Cross Catchment will be made available on the home page below during the following dates and times:

**Thursday, February 6 at 9 a.m. to Wednesday, February 12, 4 p.m.**

[Learn more about the Cross Catchment Registration here](#)

## Silent Auction Features Student Art!

Last November, the PAC held a pub night fundraiser. Ms Jung was lucky enough to bid and win Liam Cox' beautiful artwork featuring Mr. Walker's Mondrian art lessons. Do have a look as you walk towards the front entrance of our school during the day!



Liam expertly helps Ms. Jung hang up his work to add to her beautiful collection!

## Boya wins Port Moody Fire Department Contest!

Congratulations to **Boya L** in Division 1, for winning the Port Moody Fire Department's contest to design a Home Fire Escape Plan. Recently, **Lieutenant Jeff Wallace** with the Port Moody Fire Department paid Boya a visit to present her with her winning prize! Boya won \$50 from the Port Moody Firefighter's Burn Foundation, a fire detector, a dalmatian fire chief stuffie, and her class earned red engine pencil cases with pencils and goodies! Thanks for taking on such an incredible challenge and being so successful, Boya!



To make the event even more memorable, Lieutenant Wallace was Ms. Jung's student in grade 8 at Summit about 20 years ago! What a joy it was to reconnect again and to know that Lieutenant Wallace has entered such a noble profession. Congratulations to Boya and Lieutenant Wallace! Here is proof that if you have a goal, a little hard work and perseverance may lead to success!

### **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 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.

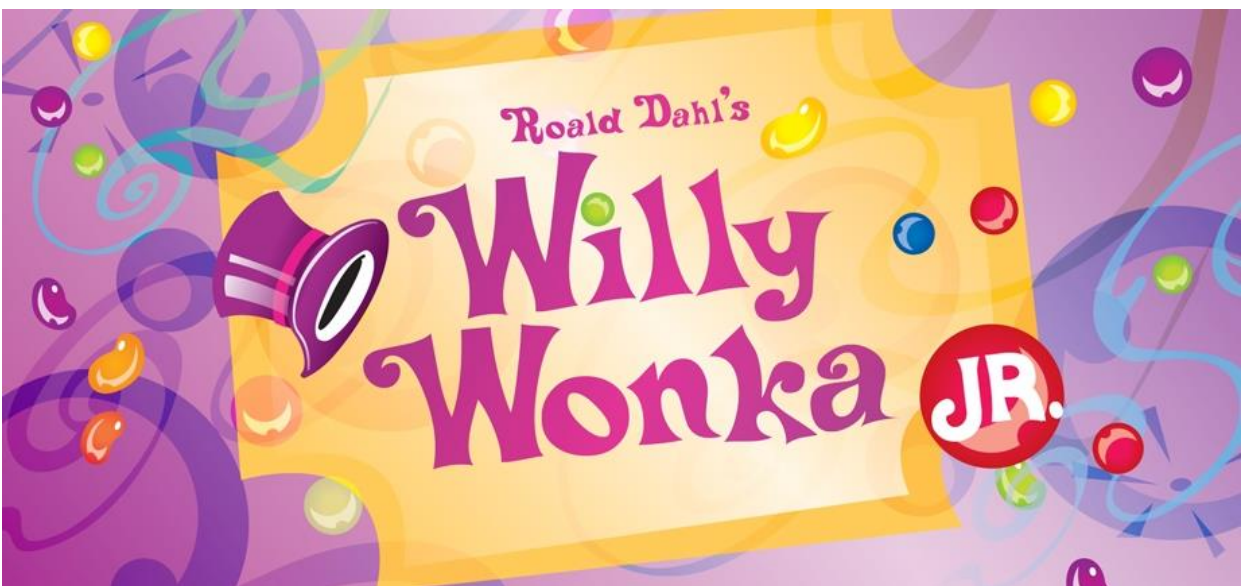
While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

**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](http://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](http://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>



**Spring Play Coming Soon!**

This year, we will be performing Willy Wonka Jr! Auditions and practices have started this week. If your student is interested and hasn't yet signed up, please have them speak with Ms. Magnusson next week.

### Cornerstones of ÉMMSOTA

Welcome to a new year! We continue to get to know the people who make ÉMMSOTA a special place!



**Andrea Esther Kobza** was born in Baden, Switzerland. She wanted to become a doctor and fulfilled much of that dream because as an Education Assistant, she cares for and works closely with her students at school who often need it most. This is Ms. Kobza's first year at EMMSOTA and we're enjoying getting to know what her passions are. She remembers vacations at her Godmother's house when she was a middle years child and loves chocolate, books by Lisa Jackson and playing darts! She was taught to always "Believe in yourself!" These are words any of us could and should live by!

**Holly Stibbs** was born in Surrey, BC. She grew up thinking she'd become a marine biologist to save the whales and luckily, found her way into teaching and is currently a teacher to grade 6/7 students in WIND Pod! Ms. Stibbs recalls endless hours of playing games with friends when she was a middle-years youngster. She played everything from basketball and soccer to elaborate games of hide and seek in the forest around her school. To this day, Ms. Stibbs still enjoys her time outdoors gardening, hiking and kayaking. Indoors, she'll gladly put on the movie, Princess Bride! Her first *break* came from learning to ride the neighbour's bike. She started grade 1 in a cast and has never looked back because of some advice from a wise one to live each day, one day at a time!



### Ski & Snowboard Club

Ski & Snowboard Club starts next week! Remember to have students bring their snow gear (examples: warm, weather resistant layers, helmet, gloves, balaclava, gloves) and skis or snowboards to school in the morning. We will have a



designated space for students to store all their gear for the day. Please pack a dinner or money to purchase dinner at Mt. Seymour. Dinners are typically \$15-20 in the cafeteria. If you completed the online form for the Season's pass (the link was e-mailed to all Ski and Snowboard club families in November), you can pick up your student's season pass during NON-lesson times.

Departure from Moody approx. 2:45.

Return TO Moody approx. 9:30 – **PLEASE DO NOT PARK ALONG STREET WHERE THE BUS WILL PULL IN!**

DATES: Thursday Jan 16, 23, 30 & **Tuesday** Feb 18

Mme LeBlanc and the Ski and Snowboard Club Committee.

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

## Counsellor's Corner

Tutoring & homework help is here again, led by PMSS students, starting on Monday January 20th. They will be in the library every Monday, from 3:00-3:45 (except for staff meeting days, the first Monday of the month, and Jan 13th).

Face to Face Connections:

In this digital age, when we all need to seek out more face to face connections, we continue to wonder about the impact of technology on relationships. There is more and more scientific evidence that points to why putting our phones down can be such an important, impactful decision.

### Have a read...

Why Parents Really Need to Put Down Their Phones. Parents on devices distress children and reduce their resilience.

<https://www.psychologytoday.com/ca/blog/going-beyond-intelligence/201711/why-parents-really-need-put-down-their-phones>

If you would like to discuss this, or anything else related to the mental health and wellness of your child, you can contact me at [marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca)



### Yearbooks are still on sale!

Our incredible Moody Middle Yearbooks are still on sale – the price is \$45. They are usually sold out by June, so avoid disappointment by ordering your book early. Go to [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com) and follow the links to purchase your yearbook online!

## MOODY ATHLETICS

Winter sports continue after the winter break into late February.

TEAM	COACH(ES)	PRACTICE/GAME TIME
Wrestling – B & G, All grades	Mr. Lee, Mr T. Kimoto, Mr. R. Kimoto.	Practice: Tues and Thur (3:00 – 4:15pm) @ MPR Meets: Begin Feb 2020, Dates TBA
Bball Gr. 6 – Boys & Girls	Mr. Chambers, Ms. Linde, Mr. Zimmer	Practice: Tues and Thur (12:15 – 12:45) @ Gym Year End Jamboree: Date TBA
Bball Girls 7	Mr. Clay, Mr. Budai	Practice: Tues & Thurs (3:00 – 4:15pm) @ Gym (When games begin, practice Thurs only) Gr. 7 Games: Tuesdays, Dates TBA
Bball Boys 7	Mr. Abello, Mr. Huang	Practice: Wed & Fri (3:00 – 4:15pm) @ Gym (When games begin, practice Fri only) Gr. 7 Games: Tuesdays, Dates TBA
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		Gr. 8 Playoffs: Mar 3-5 A-tier / Mar 10-11 B-tier
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Ski and Snowboard – B & G, All grades	Mme Leblanc, Ms. Taylor-Hill	Mt. Seymour dates in 2020: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 18

**Athletics Fee:**

Moody has a one-time per year Athletic Fee of \$15 – payable through [SchoolCashOnline](https://www.schoolcashonline.com). If your student is participating in any sport now or plans to participate in our clubs or teams throughout the school year, please pay this one-time fee.

Alex Abello, Athletics Director

**École Moody Middle School Library and Learning Commons**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Book of the Year Contest has started. Teacher-Librarians in participating Middle Schools in SD43 have chosen the following 10 books for voting.



- OCDaniel* by Wesley King
- Inkling* by Kenneth Oppel
- Click'd* by Tamara Ireland Stone
- Estranged* by Ethan Aldridge
- The Sword and the Dagger* by Rogert Cochran
- The Marrow Thieves* by Cherie Dimaline
- The Nest* by Kenneth Oppel
- No Fixed Address* by Susin Neilsen
- The Bridge Home* by Padma Venkatraman
- Front Desk* by Kelly Yang

Students need to read at least 3 books to be eligible to vote for their favourite. However, the more books they read, the more times their name will go into the draw for some fabulous prizes. The contest

closes at the end of April. Stay tuned for details about upcoming contests and challenges in the New Year. Happy Reading!

### **Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation**

Government has approved the Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation requiring parents or guardians to report the vaccination status of their school-age children. This regulation comes into force on July 1 and public health units will begin implementation of the regulation in September of 2019. Read more [here](#).

### **PAC (Parent Advisory Council) NEWS**

[emmsotaPAC@gmail.com](mailto:emmsotaPAC@gmail.com)

January 13, 2020
February 3
March 2
April 6
May 4 - AGM
June 8

#### **PAC Meetings:**

Our meetings are held at 6:30 pm in the ÉMMSOTA Library Learning Commons. Please join us!

### **HOT LUNCH DATES & REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Wednesday Jan 15 - Pizza  
Wednesday Jan 29 - Subway  
Friday Feb 7 - Treat Day (TCBY)  
Wednesday Feb 12 - Sushi  
Wednesday Feb 26 - Pizza  
Wednesday Mar 11 - Subway



Please ensure you order by the Saturday BEFORE hot lunch.

Sign in and update your order selection at [munchalunch.com](http://munchalunch.com)!

Do you have 45 minutes to an hour to help us out at the occasional hot lunch? If so, we would love to have your help. Please contact us at [emmsotapac@gmail.com](mailto:emmsotapac@gmail.com) and let us know. Not only does the hot lunch provide a welcome relief for parents and treat for kids, but also a fun opportunity for parent volunteers to participate in school day activities.

Are you new to Munch a Lunch? It only takes a minute to register!

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/moodymiddleschool/>

### **PAC FUNDRAISERS:**

#### **Re: Fundraising Campaign for EMMSOTA / Moody Middle School Community**

The Moody Middle PAC would like to offer 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 2019-2020 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. This year’s PAC budget was discussed at the Monday, October 7, 2019 PAC Meeting.

**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*

*Donations may be made through (click on one of the following options):*

- SchoolCashOnline system <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/>
- or by filling out the [EMMSOTA Donation Request form](#)  
*\*(see the end of our newsletter for a full copy of this form)*

Thank you in advance for your support!

**Ongoing PAC Fundraisers: PAC Shopping Fundraisers 2019-20**

You have multiple ways to shop and help PAC raise funds at the same time!

Please click the link above for more details on fundraising at the following companies:

COBS Bakery

Port Moody Liquor Store

Return-It Express

Thrifty Foods

[NATIVE ART WATER BOTTLES Fundraising program](#) – (click for info and order form)

**EMMSOTA PAC Facebook Page:**

"Like" our page to receive updates on events, meetings and fundraising initiatives:

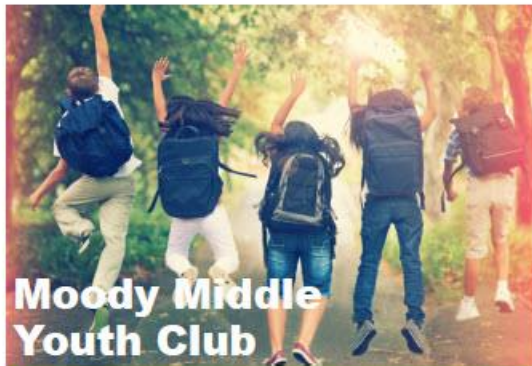
<https://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC/>



**Bell Schedule**

Our regular bell schedule is slightly different from last year. Warning bell sounds at 8:35 and classes start at 8:40. Getting to school on time is another key factor in establishing successful learning routines. If your child will be late or absent please contact the school office by phone, 604-461-7384, or email [moodymiddlesecretary@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:moodymiddlesecretary@sd43.bc.ca)

Monday – Thursday		Friday	
Band 7:50 – 8:35		Choir 7:50 – 8:50	
Prime Time	Δ8:35 – 8:40	Prime Time	Δ9:00 – 9:05
1	Δ8:40 – 9:30	1	Δ9:05 – 10:30
2	9:30 – 10:20	Nutrition Break 10:30 – 10:45 Δ	
Nutrition Break 10:20 – 10:30 Δ		2	10:50 – 12:15
3	10:35 – 11:25	Lunch 12:15 – 1:00 Δ	
4	11:25 – 12:15	3	Δ1:05 – 2:20
Lunch 12:15 – 12:50 Δ		BRICK (W/F only) 2:20 – 3:00	
5	Δ12:55- 1:45		
6	1:45 – 3:00		
BRICK (W/F only) 2:20 – 3:00			



Here's what's happening for ages 11-14:

### Meals Around the World

**#9064** Wed. Oct. 23-Dec. 4  
3:10-4:25pm  
Travel the world and taste some famous dishes. Try cooking recipes from different cultures. Youth will learn about kitchen safety.

**\$10**  
per program  
(Admin fee)

### Games Zone

**#9061** Thur. Oct. 24-Dec. 12  
3:10-4:25pm  
Play co-operative games, cards and board games. Youth will also be engaged through non-traditional active games.

Register  
**NOW!**  
[portmoody.ca](http://portmoody.ca)  
604.469.4556

### Arts and Exploration

**#9057** Fri. Nov. 1-Dec. 13  
3:10-4:25pm  
Explore your creativity through various art styles. Develop confidence by exploring new hobbies.

\*All Youth Club programs include a healthy snack

This program is made possible through funding provided by the Government of British Columbia and support from the BC Recreation and Parks Association (BCRPA)



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## Community Info

### Flying Squad at Community Volunteer Connections

Community Volunteer Connections (CVC) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to bring communities together by promoting and creating meaningful volunteer engagement with other non-profit organizations.

The Flying Squad is a team of volunteers that help at one-off events, by our non-profit members, taking place in the Tri-cities area. High School students are invited to join the Flying Squad Team and give back to the community. Once the students have volunteered at the event, they would log their hours and CVC will keep track of the hours completed for graduation.

See [www.volunteerconnections.ca](http://www.volunteerconnections.ca)



## BLACK ICE PARTY

**Friday, February 7**  
**8:15-9:30pm**

Grades 6-12

\$5.00/admission with rentals

\$2.00/admission with your own skates

Live DJ  
On the  
Ice

Live DJ, prizes, and concession. Enjoy your favourite top 40 hits, make requests and skate with your friends at an all youth event.

[portmoody.ca/signmeup](http://portmoody.ca/signmeup) | 604.469.4556

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## NEW Girls Only Youth Drop-in Volleyball

For ages 11-18 years.

Drop-in, have fun and stay active in this non-competitive environment.

Drop-in  
and join  
the fun!

Saturdays,  
January 11-March 28  
5-7pm  
Recreation Complex

[portmoody.ca](http://portmoody.ca) | 604-469-4556

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### Follow us on Twitter

Twitter name – @43moody <https://twitter.com/43moody?lang=en>

... school news, breaking stories, reminders, links, accomplishments, educational dialogue and another means of communication!

[Download](#) the Twitter app



*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.*

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

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



École Moody Middle School of the Arts - PAC  
130 Buller Street, Port Moody, BC V3H 2C6

September, 2019

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Thank you in advance for your support!

Payment may be made through the SchoolCashOnline system ( [PAC Parent Donation Request 2019](#) ) or by filling out the form below and returning it along with payment to the office. Please make all cheques payable to Moody Middle School.



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Please detach and return to the school.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Division / Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Per Family Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \_ \$25.00 \_ \$50.00 \_ \$100.00

Income tax receipts can only be issued for donations of \$25.00 or more and will be issued by the School District 43 Finance Department.



# Moody Middle Youth Club

Here's what's happening for ages 11-14:

## Funky Fine Arts

11073 Tue. Jan. 21-Mar. 10 3:10-4:25pm

Unleash your inner artist and experiment with a variety of different art forms like painting, sketching, clay and crafting.

**\$10**  
per program  
\*All programs include a healthy snack

## Youth Lounge Drop-in

11105 Wed. Jan. 22-Mar. 11 3-5pm

Come hang out in the Youth Lounge after school with your friends. Play cards, board games, chill or even do some homework.

View online  
Mon, Dec. 2  
Register  
Tue, Dec. 3  
7am

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