

# Moody Matters



École Moody Middle School of the Arts

## e-Bulletin – 25-October-2019

[ÉMMSOTA Website](#)

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

[www.Moody Middle website calendar](#)

WEEKLY EVENTS		END DATE
Mon / Wed @ 07:50	Senior Band Practice	Jun
Mon @ lunch	Art Club with Mr. Walker	Jun
Mondays 3:00-4:00	Chess Club (Youth Lounge) (not 1 <sup>st</sup> Mondays)	Jun
Tues/Thurs @ 07:50	Junior Band Practice	Jun
Wed 3:10-4:25 (Home Ec Room)	Port Moody After school programs - Meals Around the World	Oct 23-Dec 4
Thursday 3:10-4:25 (MPR)	Port Moody After school programs - Games Zone	Oct 24-Dec 12
Fridays 3:10-4:25	Port Moody After school programs - Arts & Exploration	Nov 1-Dec 13
Friday @ 07:50	Choir practice	Jun
Friday 3-5pm	Friends of Simon tutoring	Jun

OCTOBER	
25	Pro D (Provincial) – schools not in session
29	Picture Day Re-takes
31	Halloween Activity Day & Costume Parade
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
1	Grade 6 Volleyball Tournament @ Pinetree Secondary
4	PAC meeting library
6	Remembrance Day ceremony
8	Expo Earth, Fire, Wind Term 1 ends
11	Remembrance Day – schools not in session
13	PAC Hot Lunch
15	PAC Pub night fundraiser @ Burrard Public House
26-28	Communicating Student Learning 3-way conferences
27-28	Early Dismissal @ 1:45pm

## 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 10:20 – 10:30 Δ		Nutrition Break 10:30 – 10:45 Δ	
3	10:35 – 11:25	2	10:50 – 12:15
4	11:25 – 12:15		
Lunch 12:15 – 12:50 Δ		Lunch 12:15 – 1:00 Δ	
5	Δ12:55- 1:45	3	Δ1:05 – 2:20
6	1:45 – 3:00		
BRICK (W/F only)	2:20 – 3:00	BRICK (W/F only)	2:20 – 3:00

## Halloween Safety/Costume Appropriateness & Halloween Activity Day



Halloween is a special and exciting day but one that requires structure and expectations to ensure it is safe for everyone. At Moody, students come dressed in their costume for the day. The morning is a regular block schedule where students are in their classes. Students spend the afternoon participating in Halloween Activity Day. Your child will be given the choice of one of several Halloween Activities for the afternoon. To help students make responsible choices regarding their costumes, please follow these instructions:

- Students in costume should be easily recognizable and/or identify themselves to any staff members when queried.
- By law and School District expectations, the use and possession of firecrackers or fireworks at school is strictly prohibited. This pertains to students before, during or after school, on or offsite.
- Replica weapons (guns, knives, etc.) are inappropriate, as are costumes which are hypersexualized, or costumes which depict elements of sexual exploitation. Please encourage your children to avoid glamorizing sexual exploitation by refusing to allow them to wear Halloween costumes that re-victimize those who have suffered the devastation of this crime.
- Students “in character” are to conduct themselves appropriately. Behaviours which intimidate, harass or humiliate members of the community, or other behaviours which are inappropriate at the expense of others, do not contribute to a fun, festive and safe environment.
- Student costumes with hats or hoods can be worn accompanying a costume.
- Students are not permitted to use accessories which are items you hold onto (ie. Brooms, baskets, etc)
- Inflatable costumes are acceptable to be worn.
- Full or partial masks are acceptable to be worn, but they cannot be worn the full day.
- Makeup related items such as blood can be used, but not in a messy manner

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

**Next PAC Meeting:** Nov 4, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons Room (Library). Please join us!

**PAC's 2nd ANNUAL PUB NIGHT @ the Burrard Public House on Friday, November 15 from 6:30-10pm.**

\*\* Tickets on sale NOW! Limited supplies so order early before they sell out!

(\*\**Tickets are \$25/each and include a beef or veggie burger and a beer or glass of wine. Sorry no minors allowed*)

Order through Munch a Lunch at [www.munchalunch.com](http://www.munchalunch.com) (choose *Fundraising Open!* on the top menu) or fill out the attached *Pub Night Ticket order form* & return to the office.

If you are new to Munch a Lunch, it only takes a minute to register!

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

**Some of the Silent Auction & Pub Night Door Prizes already donated:**

- 4 Tickets to the Evergreen Cultural Centre (*A Night of African Music & Dance*)
- Coquitlam Centre gift card
- 4 day passes to Capilano Suspension Bridge
- Purdy's gift cards
- Skoah gift cards
- Pasta Polo gift card
- Sergio's Pizza gift card
- Tea & Paper Nook gift card
- IGA Gift basket

More donated auction items/prizes being added every day! *Check out our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC/](http://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC/) beside where it says, "More donated auction items/prizes being added every day!"*

If you have an item or gift card you would like to donate or know of a business willing to donate a prize or silent auction item, please contact PAC at [emmsotaPAC@gmail.com](mailto:emmsotaPAC@gmail.com)  
Business donations will be acknowledged on the PAC Facebook page, in the school newsletter and at the pub night.

**Fall Hot Lunch Dates:**

- Nov 13 - Subway. Order cut off: Nov 9
- Nov 27 - Pizza. Order cut off: Nov 23
- Dec 11 - Sushi & Booster Juice. Order cut off: Dec 7

Hot lunch is ordered ONLINE through Munch a Lunch at [www.munchalunch.com](http://www.munchalunch.com).

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*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:**

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

[PAC Shopping Fundraisers 2019-20](#)

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

**THRIFTY'S SMILE CARD FUNDRAISER**

EMMSOTA's Thrifty Foods Smiles Card fundraiser has been renewed for another year. 5% of the money loaded onto your pre-assigned Thrifty's Smile Card comes back to Moody Middle PAC to support field trips for students. If you are looking to get a card for the 1st time or want additional cards please fill out the attached Thrifty Foods Fundraising document and drop off at the office or email us at: [emmsotaPAC@gmail.com](mailto:emmsotaPAC@gmail.com) with any questions. [Thrifty's fundraising program - details](#)

**EMMSOTA PAC Facebook Page:**

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

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



## MOODY ATHLETICS

### Fall Sports Update

Our fall sports season is well underway with many games and mini meets already in the books. In the coming weeks some of our teams will be participating in season end tournaments and meets. Please see the dates below. Parent drivers will be needed for all away games. Please help our school teams by filling in driver verification forms available on SchoolCashOnline or from the school office. Please contact your child's coach if you are able to help with driving or if you have any further questions.

Vball 6 Boys & Girls–	Mr. Chambers, Ms. Linde, Mme Grayston, Mr. Lee	District Finals on Friday, Nov 1 @ Pinetree Sec (3:15pm – 6:00pm)
Vball 7 Girls	Ms. Kayley, Mr. Clay	District playoffs on Monday, Oct 28 @ Moody Middle (3:15pm – 5:15pm)
Vball 7 Boys	Ms. Oak	District playoffs on Monday, Oct 28 @ Monty Middle (3:15pm – 5:15pm)
Vball 8 Girls	Mr. Budai	District playoff dates begin either Wed, Nov 6/ Wed, Nov 13 depending on level. Location/Times TBA
Vball 8 Boys	Mr. Abello	Last practice for this season is Thurs, Nov 7. District playoff dates Location/Times TBA
Gr. 6 Badminton Club	Mr. Walker	Last practice for this season is Nov 6
Gr. 7 Badminton Club	Mme Leblanc	Last practice for this season is Nov 29
Gr. 8 Badminton Club	Mr. Abello	Last practice for this season is Nov 29
Cross Country Running	Mr. Pillsbury, Mr. Lee, Mr. Abello	District Mini-Meet on Thursday, Oct 24 @ Mundy Park (3:15pm – 5:00pm)
Swim Team	Ms. Turje, Ms. Egelstad	The season is complete. All swimmers did well at the district finals.

#### **Athletics Fee:**

Just a reminder – Moody has a one-time per year Athletic Fee of \$15 – payable through SchoolCashOnline. If your student is participating in any sport now or plans to participate in our clubs and or sports throughout the school year, please pay this one-time fee.

Alex Abello, Athletics Director

#### **Traffic Safety update**

As the days get colder and the darkness looms longer, our bodies often feel more sluggish. Please allow for extra time to get to school to help ensure student safety. Our school day begins for many of our students at 7:40 am for band and choir, not just at 8:40 am when all students are expected to be seated in class, ready to learn! Also, please take care to adhere to the signage posting speed limits of 30km/hr during school hours, and 10 km/hr in our parking lot. The street signals show us what to do but we still need to be critically aware of our surroundings at all times. Students are asked to be courteous to drivers of motor vehicles at all times!

Thank you for helping to keep our students and staff safe throughout the day whether staff are on supervision duty or not. If we can routinely practice pulling well ahead in the drop-off and pick-up lane in the parking lot, the traffic promises to flow more fluidly. Safe students are happy staff which makes for happy students!

## **We / Leadership**

Halloween is coming up and our WE Leadership BRICK Team will be having it's annual Bake Sale Fundraiser AND will be hosting the 'WE Scare Hunger' drive again this year.

### **Bake Sale Fundraiser**

Students are asked to bring their toonies and loonies for Treats at lunchtime and at the Halloween Dance on Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. The money raised will support local and global Me to We Initiatives this year. Food Glorious Food!

Parents of students in the We Leadership BRICK group are asked to assist, however they can, with donations of baked goods for the Bake Sale. Please ask your student to bring home the Bake Sale notice, so you can indicate the type and number of items you are able to donate. Thank you!!!

### **WE Scare Hunger**

If your student is interested in collecting non-perishable food items *while* they're trick or treating OR *instead* of trick or treating, they can get started this week by sending out flyers in your neighbourhood.

Please see Ms. Egelstad for copies of the flyers (or see the flyer at the end of this newsletter) and sign up for this great local cause.

All food items collected will go to the Port Moody FOOD Bank 😊

It just takes ONE small act of kindness to make a BIG difference!

Ms. S. Egelstad

## **Important start-up Student forms needed at school ASAP**

### **Student Verification Form (tan paper) & Emergency Release Form (goldenrod paper)**

If you still have the Student Verification form and Emergency Release form at home, ***please return these to School ASAP***. These forms are mandatory for each school year, as we use the information to ensure we have accurate and complete information for all student and parent contacts, as well as emergency release procedures.

### **District Policies Forms & School Activity Fee**

In addition to the forms above, each year we also ask parents to complete and pay (using SchoolCashOnline) the **District Policies Forms & School Activity Fee**

Our School District continues its full transition to ONLINE form completion, fee payments, permission forms and newsletters. We encourage all families to ensure they are signed up for SchoolCashOnline, as we will be sending home on-line notices regarding field trips, permission forms, yearbook purchases and more using this method.

To maximize our communication, please ensure you have an accurate email address on file with the school and you are also registered for SchoolCashOnline. If you have not yet registered, please do so as soon as possible – click here: <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/>

Then click on '**GET STARTED TODAY**'

## **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](#).

## École Moody Middle School Library and Learning Commons

After a thorough cleaning over the last two school years, our collection of books at EMMSOTA continues to grow and evolve. We have graphic novels, picture books, e-books, as well as non-fiction and fiction books in both English and French. Our collection is suitable for students ranging in age from 8 through 14+. As such, there are some materials in our collection that may be suitable for more mature students only; these books are marked with a “TEEN” or “Mature Read” sticker. We recognize that age does not necessarily convert to maturity, so we have decided not to restrict students from taking out “TEEN” books if they choose to do so. However, we want to make our school community aware of the denotation of “TEEN” and what it may mean about what your child chooses to read from our Library. If you are concerned about your child taking out a book too mature for them, please have a discussion with your child about not taking out “TEEN” books until you feel they are ready to do so. Here's what you need to know about Middle Grade and Young Adult distinctions in literature:

### **Middle Grade Books:**

- Ages: 8-11 years
- Grades: 3-6
- Length: 30-50K words
- Characters: Protagonist (main character) is around the age of the reader, 8-11 years old or younger
- Topics: friendship, family, the character's life and world, external conflict vs internal
- Point of View: often third-person, meaning the narrator is outside the story looking in
- Content restrictions: no profanity, graphic violence, or sexuality permitted Examples: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series, *Sisters* (by Raina Telgemeier), *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, *Wonder* (by R.J. Palacio)

### **Young Adult Books:**

- Ages: 12-18 years
  - Grades: 7-12
  - Length: 50-75K words
  - Characters: Protagonist is older, 12-18 years old
  - Topics: self-reflection, internal conflict vs external, analyzing life and its meaning
  - Point of View: often first-person, meaning the narrator is telling the story about himself or herself
  - Content restrictions: profanity, violence, romance and sexual situations permitted
- Examples: The *Divergent* Trilogy, *The Fault in Our Stars*, *The Hunger Games*

Now, these guidelines are just that—guidelines. Often the lines may be blurry in some books, which makes categorizing them difficult. If ever you are confused or concerned or want to learn more, read the book yourself to see if it's a good fit for your child. You are the best gauge, as the parent. You know best what your child can and cannot handle.

Source: <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/raise-a-reader-blog/what-parents-need-to-know-about-middle-grade-and-young-adult.html>

Karen Leonard,  
Teacher-Librarian



## Remembrance Day

Students in Guides, Pathfinders or Cadets who wish to assist with the Flag Ceremony for our assembly are asked to speak with Ms. Turje by Monday October 28<sup>th</sup>.

This year's Remembrance Day assembly plans are already well underway thanks to the support of **Mrs. Reichert, Ms Magnusson, Mr. Abdulla, Mme Grayston and Ms Turje**. Students will be asked to donate generously to the Royal Canadian Legion poppy fund prior to the assembly on November 6th (info at [mypoppy.ca](http://mypoppy.ca)). Every student will be given a poppy. We are pleased to honour our Aboriginal ancestors at this year's ceremony. Especially if your child is playing a special role in this event, please consider joining us at **10am on Wednesday, November 6th**.  
*Lest we forget.*



## Community Info

### City of Port Moody After School Youth Programs – Fall 2019

There are still some places available. Please see the brochure on the right for a description of the programs and call or go online to the City website to register!

[City of Port Moody 'Get Active Program-for Teens, ABC' – click here for info](#)



**Tell us about your child care needs!**

The cities of Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, and Port Moody are looking for input from parents and guardians as we develop child care action plans for our communities. Take our survey today and make sure your voice is heard.

[tricitychildcare.ca](http://tricitychildcare.ca)

Submit your survey by Friday, November 1, 2019.



**Moody Middle Youth Club**

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.

**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.

**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

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

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

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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CITY OF THE ARTS

### 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)

## 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.*

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[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.



**Who:** You and your child

**When:** Any day near Halloween: Oct. 31, Nov. 1 – 3

**Where:** In your neighbourhood

**Why:** For our Me to We Initiative

**Local:** Helping feed hungry people in our community!



### Steps for this October 2019 WE Leadership event:

- 1) Fill in the date you will be collecting items, give to Ms. Egelstad to make copies by Thurs. Oct. 24
- 2) Hand out the flyers in your area on the weekend of Oct. 25 -27
- 3) Collect items while 'Trick or Treating' or on a separate day as planned.
- 4) If you collect a large amount, deliver your items to the Port Moody SHARE Food Bank, bring receipt to Ms. Egelstad
- 5) If you have a small amount that you can carry, we will make a trip to SHARE as a group to deliver the food as a walking fieldtrip.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Div. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## DID YOU KNOW...

FOOD BANK  
— USAGE IN —  
CANADA'S   
TERRITORIES  
WENT UP  
52%   
IN THE LAST YEAR

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**WE  
SCARE  
HUNGER**



**Me to We Leadership Initiative**

**PLEASE Help Moody Middle Students collect**

**Non-Perishable Food Items for the Dort Moody Food Bank 😊**

**We will be in your area collecting on \_\_\_\_\_**

**PLEASE have your items ready, we look forward to a  
SPOOKTACULAR turnout!**



**Let's  
SCARE AWAY HUNGER  
Together**