

Greetings École Moody Middle School of the Arts Community.

We are well into our school year and looking forward to hosting our parents and families for our Parent/Student/Teacher Three Way conferences this week. Our conferences are an important part of the learning and assessment process, and it is important for students to see their parents as partners in this process. Thank you to all parents who have already signed up to come in. Its exciting to have you all back in the building. We always hope for 100 percent participation. It truly makes a difference.

We had an amazing Remembrance Day Assembly last week with students performing in Band, Choir and Division 12 Drama Class. Student Leaders Leela and Chris did a wonderful job emceeing the assembly and a big shout out to our Honour Guard led in by Turick Point and Mr. Daily bringing our Cadets, Guides, and colours in. As always, a huge thank you goes out to Mrs. Reichert, Ms. Turje and Ms. Magnusson for their efforts pulling the assembly together with background and technical support from Mr. Abdullah, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Leonard. Our student audience should also be applauded for their silent thoughtful reflections throughout the entire assembly. It was a very fine morning. (see photos below)

Grade 7 and 8 Volleyball wrap up next week with District playoffs. Lots of energy in the gym leading up to the playoffs. The Grade 6 Team had their wrap up at Charles Best last week and left it all on the floor...literally they were all over the place in that gym living their best volleyball lives. It was a fun evening and big thanks to the 9 staff (more than any other school by the way) who attended up at Charles Best. We all had lots of fun as well tossing balls, losing our voices, and cheering the kids on.

As the weather turns much cooler, we are asking parents to work with their children around clothing choices for the winter weather. Let's do everything we can to keep our kids and staff healthy through the cold and flu season. Please continue to practice good hand hygiene and keep you kids at home if they are ill. We are starting to see higher absence rates heading into Winter. A healthy school is a thriving school! Thank you as always for sharing your children with us.

Cheers, À Bientôt

Mark Clay Lindsay Goodridge Principal Vice Principal

#### **IMPORTANT EMMSOTA DATES – 2022-2023**

NOVEMBER		
10	Remembrance Day Assembly	
11	Remembrance Day – Schools not in session	
15-17	Communicating Student Learning 3-way conferences	
28	Grade 6 Immunizations – Blitz #1	
DECEMBER		
8	Winter Concert	
15	Report Cards are published	
19-Jan 2	Winter Vacation – Schools not in session	
JANUARY		
3	Schools re-open after Winter Vacation	
30	Focus Day Pro-D Day – School not in session	
FEBRUARY		
20	Family Day – Schools not in session	
22	Pink Shirt Day	
24	Pro D Day (District) – Schools not in session	
21-23	Communicating Student Learning 3-way conferences	
MARCH		
9	Report Cards are published	
10	Last day of school before Spring Break	
13-24	Spring Break – Schools not in session	
27	Schools re-open after Spring Break	
APRIL		
6	Photo Day (class/pod/school)	
7/10	Good Friday & Easter Monday – Schools not in session	
21	Pro-D Day (District) – Schools not in session	
25-27	Spring Drama Performance	
MAY		
22	Victoria Day – Schools not in session	
25	Presentation of Learning Event Tentative	
31	Grade 6 Immunizations – Blitz #2	
JUNE		
5	Pro-D Day (School-Based) – School not in session	
8	Year-End Music Concert	
29	Last School Day / Report Cards are published	
29	Year-End Recognition Assembly/Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony	
30	Administrative Day – Schools not in session	

#### NOTE: TITLES IN RED ARE NEW OR UPDATED ITEMS

#### **Grade 6 Immunizations**

School immunizations for grade 6 students are scheduled for **November 28, 2022** and **May 31, 2023**. Please ensure that you fill out and return the form that was sent home with your student.

If you have a question for a Public Health Nurse, you can email them at SchoolNurseTricities@fraserhealth.ca or call them directly at 604-949-7251.

#### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - Save The Date!**

Dear families,

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! **Book Fairs** help to provide an opportunity for our students and families to experience the joy of reading together.

So save the date! Our Scholastic Book Fair will take place from November 14 - 18.

The In-person Fair will be open at lunchtime every day, and after school, during out Triad Conferences, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday so drop by the library with your child to enter our door prize: \$25 worth of books. If you can't make the Fair in person, you can shop anytime at our Virtual Fair.

Visit our school's **Virtual Book Fair** site using this link:

https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5173458

Before our Fair begins, click the link to:

- SAVE it to your browser
- WATCH videos of popular new titles
- PREVIEW our Featured Books

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fair!

Happy reading!



#### **Construction Notice**

Bill Hay Contracting has been hired to install traffic signal upgrades at the intersection of Buller St and Barnet Highway (St John's St) on behalf of the City of Port Moody.

Work will take place between November 14<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, weekdays only, between the hours of 09:00-15:00. Due to the nature of the work, the curb lanes of eastbound and westbound Barnet Highway will be closed near the intersection of Buller St. Bus stop #53149 will be moved approximately 30m further east to accommodate the work at the southeast corner of the intersection per our agreement with Coast Mountain Bus Company.

#### **Reminder About Student Forms and Fees**

Reminder to all parents and guardians to please return your Student Verification and Emergency Release forms to your student's teacher or the office.

Please also sign into School Cash Online to pay your **Student Activity Fees**.

**Athletic Fees** are a one-time fee of \$15 for any students participating in any EMMSOTA athletics during the school year. Please note that Athletic Fees are to be paid in addition to Student Activity Fees if your student is participating in any sports.

We understand everyone may be in a different place at times and may need some support for fees or other items at given times in a year. Families needing fees waived or any other support for food, supplies, certain clothes for certain weather. Please do not hesitate to let your child's teacher know or confidentially contact the Principal, Mark Clay at mclay@sd43.bc.ca or call the school directly at 604-461-3784.

#### **Inclement Weather**

As our weather is changing quickly, please be prepared by planning ahead to arrive to school in a safe and timely fashion with students dressed appropriately for learning and play both indoors and out. For school closures due to inclement weather, check our website or listen to a local radio station for updates by 6:30am on school days.

The SD43 HOME PAGE is the official primary source of SD43 information. Always check here first.

- o Look for a STATUS BANNER at <a href="https://www.sd43.bc.ca">www.sd43.bc.ca</a> (example shown below).
- Click its main title to learn more.



#### Status Update Banner During Emergencies and Inclement Weather

This is what the emergency status banner will look like posted on the SD43 website homepage, and in some cases on school websites.

- 2. Information may also be announced on secondary sources including:
  - @sd43bc Twitter feed
  - o CKNW AM 980, CKWX 1130 and CBC (690) radio stations (AM band).

#### **Picture Day**

Photos are available for viewing at https://weborders.mountainwest.ca/signin.

- 1. Login codes are printed on the Student ID/QR code Flyer that was given to your child on photo day.
- 2. Any active email address can be used along with the login code
- 3. To find out more about ordering, Click Here for support.
- 4. Orders will be shipped directly to the family's shipping address.

Deadline for ordering photos was Saturday November 12. If you missed the deadline, please contact MountainWest to see if they will allow an extension.

#### **Grade 6 Volleyball Jamboree**

With thrilling dives, great bumping, setting, and some incredible spikes, our grade 6 volleyball team showed some amazing skill at the year end Jamboree. Moody was one of the biggest teams in the event with 40 members playing on 3 different teams. A big thank you to our Moody coaches who have helped all season: Mr. Chambers, Ms. Goodrich, Mr. Abello, Ms. Marrington, and Mr. Cameron.







#### **Swim Team**

This year's swim team included a mix of students from grade 6-8 of all experience levels with competitive swimming. We had great weather for most of our practices at Eagle Ridge outdoor pool, and swimmers had a blast at the district swim meet at City Centre Aquatic Centre that ended the season. The school swimming season is short, but it was lots of fun!

#### **Cross Country Team**

The Cross Country Running Team was blessed with beautiful, warm weather this year. It was wonderful running on dry trails with the sun in the sky. That is until the skies opened and dumped on us for the District finals! Our runners did a great job representing us at the districts despite the inclement weather. Thanks for a short but sweet season runners!











#### **Fall Sports Schedule**

Our Fall sports schedule will be updated on our website as often as is possible if there are changes.

- \*\* Grade 8 Boys and Girls Volleyball will be playing their games on Wednesdays after school starting October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- \*\* Grade 7 Girls play their games on Tuesdays starting October 11<sup>th</sup>. And Practice Friday after school. Playoffs November 22, location TBA
- \*\* Badminton Club and Soccer Club will start up shortly depending on Gym times.

#### Rainbow Club! We are excited and happy to be here!

Rainbow Club is an inclusive space for all queer and trans students and allies. Its structure is largely student-directed: as of now, most students seem to be seeking a safer space where they can chill and just exist as they are without fear of judgement. Rainbow Club meets in the library on Mondays at Lunch.

#### **EMMSOTA PAC**

#### **Next PAC Meetings (save the dates):**

- Monday, November 14 at 6:30pm
- Monday, December 12 at 6:30pm (to be confirmed)

Both meetings will be in the library at school.

We are working on having parents also join by ZOOM if they are unable to attend in person. If joining by ZOOM would work for you, please email <a href="mailto:emmsotapac@gmail.com">emmsotapac@gmail.com</a>. We'd like to get an idea if there is interest in having a combined meeting.

#### **Upcoming Hot Lunch Dates:**

- Wednesday November 23 A&W
- Wednesday December 7 Fuel Pasta

#### **Upcoming PAC fundraisers:**

- <u>Christmas Purdy's Chocolates</u> look for more information and catalogs coming next month. This is an annual fundraiser and a favourite!
- Hot Lunch Winter Session starting in January 2023
- More are in the works stay tuned!

#### Year-Round fundraisers:

- COBS Bread Suter Brook Village When you visit COBS Bread in Suter Brook Village, please mention Moody Moodle when you make a purchase, and COBS will donate 5% back to our PAC.
- **Return-It Express** (104-2560 Barnet Hwy, Coquitlam) No sorting required, and 5% from your returnables comes back to Moody Middle PAC.
- **Port Moody Liquor Store** (2929 St. John's Street) Mention Moody Middle when you mak a purchase at Port Moody Liquor Store or online and 5% will come back to the PAC.
- **TRU EARTH** Purchase TRU EARTH laundry products through our PAC online store to donate 20% of your purchase to the PAC.

The Parent Council Site is the EMMSOTA PAC's Communication platform. This is the parent hub for information regarding fundraising, school updates, hot lunch ordering and more. You will also find information for our PAC meetings like agendas and meeting minutes. It's a one-stop shop for all things PAC. On-line Registration is currently open and hot lunch ordering has begun for the school year.

#### Registering is easy – here's how:

- 1. Go to emmsota.parentcouncil.net
- 2. Click the "**REGISTER**" menu at the top right-hand corner to sign up. Our school code is **EMMSOTA1** (needs to be in ALL CAPS).
- 3. Enter your name, email address and phone, then a user id that you will use for access to the parent council site. Enter a password and then enter it again to verify that it is correct.
- 4. Once registered, you will be logged into the website.
- 5. Please add your students by clicking on the "STUDENTS" button below or the "PROFILE" menu tab to proceed. Once your child(ren) has been added to the system, you will be able to place lunch orders immediately by clicking the "Order" button below each child's name.

Not participating in hot lunch? We encourage you to register even if your child does not participate so that you are able to receive emails and reminders from the PAC, as well as receive information on any events happening at EMMSOTA.

If you have any questions about the Parent Council site, please email us at <a href="mailto:emmsotahotlunch@gmail.com">emmsotahotlunch@gmail.com</a>

Questions about the PAC? Our email is <a href="mailto:emmsotapac@gmail.com">emmsotapac@gmail.com</a>
And please join our Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC">https://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC</a>

#### Attendance (including lates & early dismissals)

Please assist your child in arriving to school on time. Schedules and routines are extremely important to a student's development and academic achievement as key concepts and lessons begin promptly at 8:30.

Parents/guardians are asked to report all absences, including daily, ongoing absences, lates or early dismissals, using our online Absence Report form – click here: Absence Report

Alternatively, please contact the school office by phone 604-461-7384 or email moodymiddlesecretary@sd43.bc.ca Our secretary "call back" is in place to help ensure the safety of our children and we call all contact numbers in priority sequence if a child is not accounted for. Please assist us by ensuring that you have called in to report your child's absence.

#### Lates:

Please assist your child in arriving to school on time. Schedules and routines are extremely important to

a student's development and academic achievement as key concepts and lessons begin promptly at our scheduled bell time. Students arriving late should come through the main front entrance, sanitize and sign-in at the LATES desk.

#### Parking, Transportation and Student Safety

Please plan to *drop-off and pick-up your student off site* as much as possible to reduce the traffic flow. Our parking lot does allow for a few cars at a time to drop off and pick up students, and if you choose to use the drop-off zone, we ask that you support us in making this work in a safe and respectful way. The drop off and pick up spaces are in our staff parking lot along the south side adjacent to the school. Please keep to a safe speed of 10km/hr and less in our lot and through the drop off zone. Be mindful that this is a **staff only parking lot** and spaces are limited. **The flow of traffic is one way in, all the way around the lot and out the same way stopping at the stop sign before entering the intersection**. Please drive cautiously in our school zone of 30 km/hr and less, thinking about student safety first. We appreciate the number of parents who have chosen to access our nearby streets (e.g. James, Henry, St. George) to drop off and pick up your child. PLEASE be respectful of our neighbours and their driveways. There should never be a time when any parents dropping off or picking up are blocking any residential driveways or access. It is important we promote solid community relations around our school for the health and safety of our children.

This is an ideal time to remind your children about traffic safety and being mindful of crosswalks and sidewalk use. Student safety is of utmost importance to all of us, so please consider doing your best to support our plan. We all thank you.

Did you know? ÉMMSOTA has a Twitter account! Please find us @43Moody for updates.

#### **EMMSOTA PAC Facebook Page:**

"Like" our page to receive updates on events, meetings and fundraising initiatives: https://www.facebook.com/EMMSOTAPAC/

#### Follow us on Twitter

Twitter name – @43moody

. . . 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

School Website

**District Website** 

**PAC YEAR-ROUND FUNDRAISERS** 

**COMMUNITY INFORMATION** 

SHARE'S YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES **INVITES YOU TO:** 

### Parent & Caregiver's Circle

Virtual drop in education and Click on the date below to sign support for parents and caregivers who are concerned about their youth and substance use.

The journey of parenting can have many highs and lows. This is especially true when faced with the challenging task of parenting a teenager. Each week there will be a different topic to discuss.

#### WHEN:

Thursdays from 7pm to 8pm

#### WHERE:

On Zoom. Link distributed weekly.

This is a drop-in group. Come for all 8 weeks or come when you can.

Parents/Caregivers can join anytime, but must have an orientation with a facilitator before attending their first session.

# FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### TO REGISTER:

up for each drop in session. You must register by the Monday at noon of each week's session in order to set up an orientation time with a facilitator before your first group session.

#### TOPICS INCLUDE:

Nov. 10: Adolescent Development and Attachment

Nov. 17: Having Hard Conversations

Nov. 24: Continuum of Substance Use and Stages of Change

Dec. 1: Mental Health and How to Navigate the Systems

Jan. 12: Boundaries and Managing Conflict

Jan. 19: NaloxHome and Harm Reduction

Jan. 26: Youth Offering Listening Opportunities Event(6:30 to 8:30 separate registration to come)

> Feb. 2: Burnout and Self Compassion

FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR IF YOU ARE HAVING TROUBLES WITH REGISTRATION LINKS, CONTACT SHARE FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES INTAKE AT 604.540.9161



## **Holiday Camp for Youth**

Monday-Friday, Dec 19-23
Wednesday-Friday, Dec 28-30
9am-3pm Recreation Complex
Activities may include:



Art	Gym Time	Holiday Baking
Ice Skating	Laser Tag	Swimming

Visit portmoody.ca/signmeup to register NOW!

(iii) @pomoyouth | portmoody.ca/Youth | 604.469.4556

PORT MOODY

You are coming to the end of your Middle School years and it's time to think about high school. Are you going to your local neighbourhood school or are you choosing a school that meets your interests & needs?

Join us for our in-person or digital Open House and see if Inquiry Hub Secondary School is a school that you want to attend.

#### InquiryHub.org/open

7pm on Wednesday December 7th

Our students have a great show planned for you, (and your parents). You will have the opportunity to ask questions and see what's possible when students feel empowered to follow their interests and pursue their passions... while getting a first class education that prepares you for university, and all your future goals and aspirations.

InquiryHub.org
The Dream, Create, Learn school.

#### Inquiry Hub Secondary School

Inquiry Hub is an innovative secondary school, in the Coquitlam School District, where students pursue their own personal interests and dreams. Students have scheduled standard classes with a focus on collaborative project-based learning, and some time that is left unscheduled. This unscheduled time is used for individual passion projects, group work, and getting school work done.

Join us for iHub Open, our Open House Wednesday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022

at 7pm.

oors open at 6:15 for student-guided tours.

Find out why our students chose to come to a school where they can Dream, Create, & Learn! Reserve a spot on Eventbrite to see us live, in-person, at our school.





Watch us from the comfort of your home on YouTube Live. (Click 'Notify me')

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Come join us on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 7PM-9PM (Doors open at 6:15 for student-guided tours.) 1432 Brunette Ave, Coquitlam, BC

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