



# MOODY MATTERS NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME

### BACK TO SCHOOL



*Moody rebrand in progress!*

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sept 25** – Early Dismissal at 1:40pm for Welcome Conversations

**Sept 26** – Photo Day

**Sept 29** – Orange Shirt Day

**Sept 30** – Truth and Reconciliation Day (*School not in session*)

#### Moody Middle School Website

Please check our website regularly for current announcements, important dates, school sports & clubs and other important information.

School Supply lists can be found under *Parents > School Supplies*.

If you have any questions about what is required, please contact your student's teacher.

The website address is: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/moody/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

#### Student Absences, Lates or Early Dismissals

Please complete the 'Absence/Late/Early Dismissal' online form available on the Moody Middle website home page under 'Quick Links' or call the office at **604-461-7384**.

*If students arrive late, it is **required** that they come to the office to sign in, before going up to class.*

#### Phones at School

Cell phones are important tools of communication. They are not, however, necessary for the day-to-day happenings at school. To help minimize distractions during learning and school time, EMMSOTA school policy asks students to leave their phones safely tucked in their lockers during school hours. *This includes a nutrition break and lunch.*

#### Yearbooks – Early Bird Sale

Yearbooks are now on sale and available through School Cash Online. You have until **December 31<sup>st</sup>** to purchase a yearbook for your student at the early bird price of \$45. If you are thinking of buying one, it is important to do it by the deadline so we can get an accurate estimate of the number of books we need to buy.

#### Chess Club

This years Chess Club is starting on Wednesday October 1. This will take place in the multipurpose room afterschool. Please see Ms. Mina our Youth Worker for permission forms. Space is limited and is on a first come first serve basis.

**Mrs. Banks**  
Principal

**Mr. Sclater**  
Vice Principal

**Office: 604-461-7384**

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## Current Items Available

-Student Activity Fee  
-Student Athletic Fee  
- Student School Planner Fee  
-Volunteer Driver Applications  
-School Volunteer Applications  
-Yearbook Earl-Bird Pricing

## PLEASE NOTE

It is best to access SchoolCash Online using a laptop or desktop computer to avoid any errors or issues.

## SchoolCash Online

School District 43 uses the KEV School Cash Online payment system to allow parents to view and pay for their child's student fees, year books, t-shirts, field trips, and other things safely and conveniently online.

If you don't already have an account, we encourage you to register your account online now by clicking on the link below and following these easy instructions. If you do have an account, you can use the link to easily log into your account.

Here's how to get started:

1. Go to <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com>
2. Click on "Get Started Today"
3. Create your account
  - o Enter first and last name; click continue
  - o Enter fields: address, phone number, e-mail address; click continue
  - o Choose a password and security question
  - o Make sure to OPT IN to receiving e-mail notifications for updated school information

## PAC – Hot Lunch

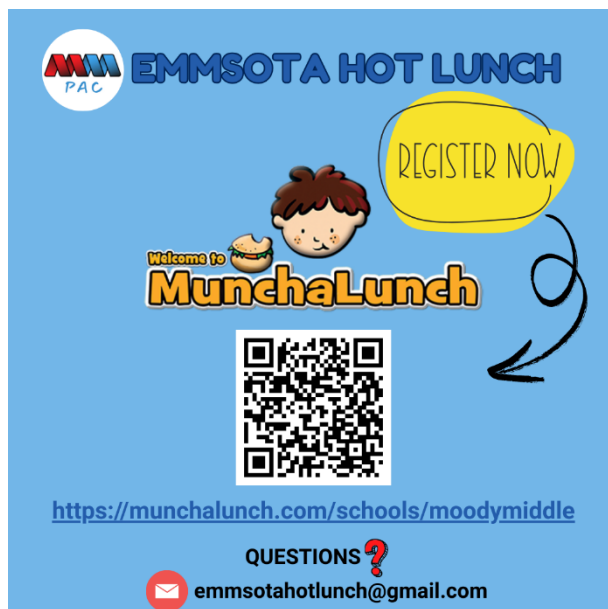
Hot Lunch is now on **Munchalunch!** 🍌 📺 📱

Create your account now at 📌 <https://munchalunch.com/schools/moodymiddle>

**Orders are now open!**

For any questions regarding Hot Lunch, please contact the PAC at:

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



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## Moody Middle School Library Learning Commons

Welcome to a new year at Moody Library. Our collection of books in the Library Learning Commons is here at EMMSOTA continues to grow and evolve. We have graphic novels, picture books, e-books, as well as non-fiction books in both English and French. Our collection is suitable for students ranging from 8 through 14+. As such, there are some fiction 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 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 is what you need to know about Middle Grade and Young Adult distinctions in literature. (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>)

### **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 you are ever confused or concerned or want to learn more, read the book yourself to see if it is a good fit for your child. You are the best gauge, as the parent. You know best what your child can and cannot handle.

For questions regarding our Library resources, please reach out to:

Ms. Leonard  
[KLeonard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:KLeonard@sd43.bc.ca)

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EMMSOTA - Order your fresh Sun-Oka Farms Apples 🍏

## PAC: Sun-Oka Apple Fundraiser

Please support our orchard harvest fundraiser featuring healthy, premium Okanagan apples, freshly harvested and direct from the grower. Get the highest quality apples in Canada at below retail prices. Earnings will fund gym and music equipment for students of EMMSOTA.

[ORDER HERE](#)

**Order deadline: Mon, October 6th**

**Delivery: Late October**

## PAC Hot Lunch – Fall Dates

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



### FALL 2025 HOT LUNCH NOW OPEN!

**OCTOBER**

WED 1	<b>Domino's</b> Last day to order: September 23	 
TUES 14	<b>Subway</b> Last day to order: October 6	 
WED 29	<b>Chopped Leaf</b> Last day to order: October 21	 

**NOVEMBER**

WED 12	<b>Loz Takos</b> Last day to order: November 4	 
WED 26	<b>Domino's</b> Last day to order: November 18	 

**DECEMBER**

WED 10	<b>A&amp;W</b> Last day to order: December 2	 
WED 17	<b>Domino's</b> Last day to order: December 9	 

order now →



QUESTIONS?  
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