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Some Important Dates to Remember

- ♦ April 11 Class Photos
- ♦ April 11 PAC Meeting 6:30pm
- ♦ April 15 Good Friday
- ♦ April 18 Easter Monday
- April 19 3 Crows Production (Indigenous Storytellers)
- ♦ April 22 Pro-D Day (no school)
- ♦ April 25-29 Diversity Week
- ♦ April 29 Jersey Day
- Fridays— wear your Moody t-shirts or Moody wear!

May Dates

- May 4 & 5 Student-Led Conferences (Celebration of Learning)
- **Early dismissals at 1:40pm**
- ♦ May 20 Pro-D Day (no school)
- May 23 Victoria Day (stat)
- May 27 Silly Hat Day
- May 27 Connecting to Kindergarten

We would like to acknowledge that School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) is on the core territory of the kwikwaλam (Kwikwetlem)(Kwee-kwet-lem) First Nation and lies within the shared traditional territories of the Tsleil-Waututh (Slay-wa-tuth), Katzie(Kate-zee),

x^wməθk^wəýəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Quay Quayt(Key-Kite) First Nation and Sto:lo Nation.

Moody Elementary April Newsletter



Principal's Message

We hope everyone had a relaxing spring break. It has been exciting to come back and see everyone again! As you know, there has been an easing of restrictions and we are respecting each other's personal space and choices around mask-wearing. We ask that you continue to do the daily health check and keep your children home if they have any symptoms. Thank you for your continued cooperation as we work to safely bring back some sense of normalcy for your children.

We also wanted to say that our hearts and thoughts are with our Ukrainian families and those with family and friends in Ukraine.

We are looking forward to a spring of hope and new beginnings.

Sheila Rawnsley

National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

The provincial government recently announced that K-12 public schools will observe **Friday, September 30**th as a statutory holiday in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day. As a result of this announcement, SD43 will be amending the 2022-2023 School Calendar to include Truth and Reconciliation Day as a non-instructional day. As such, all school district sites will be closed Friday, September 30, 2022. Students and staff will continue to recognize SD43's commitment to truth and reconciliation with school-based activities and learning during that week, including Orange Shirt Day. Details around activities and observances will be shared in September but in the meantime, it was important to share this change to the school calendar with families as soon as possible.

We continue to be committed to this work of decolonization and reconciliation.



Breakfast Club

We are happy to be providing the Breakfast Club in the gym M-F 8:15-8:40 for students to come and have breakfast made by Ms. Ross, our youth worker. This program is run by donations from Breakfast Clubs of Canada as well as donations from local community groups.

We try to provide this service consistently, but it may not always be possible due to staff absences., so <u>please ensure you walk your (primary) children to the gym.</u> Please be aware that we don't have supervision outside in the mornings.

In September we will let you know if and when we will be able to provide this program for the year.

DONATING OLD ELECTRONICS TO HELP A COQUITLAM STUDENT'S PROJECT

Hello Moody Elementary parents and guardians!

My name is Jazmine Cabaluna, and I am a Grade 11 Gleneagle Secondary student taking part in the TAL-ONS Leadership 12 course. I would like to tell you about a project I am currently working on alongside Moody Elementary, and I hope you may be able to help donate to the cause!

This year, I am participating in a scholarship hosted by the Electronic Recycling Association (ERA) where participants plan and execute an electronic-waste collection event where collected waste would be sent to their facilities for recycling. Being able to win this scholarship would mean a lot as I want to start saving up for my post-secondary education while also improving upon my leadership skills.

As such, if you have any old, unwanted, and/or broken eligible electronics, feel free to drop them off in a box or bag in the boxes in the front foyer area! We are collecting anything from old computers, phones, wires, parts, gaming consoles, etc. that you may want to donate. The collection period will be from now until Monday April 25. Your donations will be sent off to be recycled, refurbished, and donated to other charities within the country! For more information, as well as what else can be donated, please come to our Instagram (https://www.instagram.com/truenorthewaste/?hl=en)!

Thank you all so much!
Jazmine Cabaluna
True North E-Waste

We will have a box at the front foyer starting April 4th-25th!

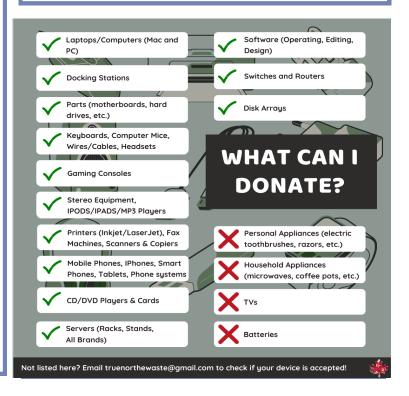
CLASS PHOTOS—

Mon, April 11

Artona will be coming back to take class photos so that our students can have a keepsake of their classmates.

We plan to do the photos outside if possible. Students and staff can decide if they want to wear a mask for the photo. We will not do a panorama photo this year; a composite will be created with individual photos like last year.

There won't be a charge for the class photos.





A Conversation for Families About Digital Wellbeing and Mental Health

As parents, we struggle with balancing our children's time spent in the digital world and what we consider the real world. It's not easy to know how much time on technology is too much and how to set boundaries that don't create conflict. Join us for a conversation with a digital wellbeing expert to learn some practical solutions to our everyday concerns and challenges around our kids' use of screens and their mental health.

Come together with other families for a facilitated discussion by Parent Peer Support Workers.

Dates:

April 4, 2022 at 6:30pm April 12, 2022 at 5:00pm April 20, 2022 at 12:00pm April 26, 2022 at 6:30pm April 28, 2022 at 5:00pm

Cost: Free of Charge

Registration Required: www.familysmart.ca/events

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EVERY MONTH, WE HOST EVENTS FOR FAMILIES CALLED 'IN THE KNOW'. WE WATCH A VIDEO AND SHARE EXPERIENCES AND STRATEGIES THAT HELP IN THE HARD MOMENTS. WE HELP FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING OUR UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTION WITH OUR KIDS.

As always, please contact me if you would like to talk about your child's socialemotional development.

Maureen Armstrong

Taking Learning Outside...

We know the many benefits for our mental and physical health to be outdoors and breathe fresh air. We enjoy taking students outside for learning and play. Thank you to our PAC who has helped us with funding portable foam seat pads so that students can sit outside and draw, write, read or explore. The PAC has also helped us with supplies to start a garden project. We are very excited

about this. Ms. Ross and Arielle, our Youth Workers, are taking the lead. Urban Roots Giving Gardens is donating 126 starter plants so we can learn about sustainability and food literacy. We are also going to have students help us beautify the front area and grounds so that we can all take more pride in our building and site. Hopefully families can be involved with upkeeping the garden as we go forward...stay tuned!



From the City of Port Moody...

We are working on an update on our Master Transportation Plan to align with our Climate Action Plan.

We have publicly launched our project, with more information available at <u>TransPort Moody</u>: <u>updating our Master Transportation Plan | Engage Port Moody</u>. There is an upcoming webinar about our project on April 7 for which your family may wish to register.

Casual Clerical

Coquitlam School District invites applications from individuals for the position of on call casual clerical.

This on call position provides administrative support at elementary, middle, and secondary schools as well as other various district locations throughout the district in in Coquitlam.

The successful candidate must have a strong ability to multi-task and interact with students, parents, teachers, support staff and administration.

Applicants must be able to type a minimum of 50 wpm. A strong secretarial background is required, and knowledge of bookkeeping and accounting is an asset.

Successful candidates will be available Monday – Friday, 5 days per week and be willing to accept callouts to all locations in our District. We offer \$26.09-\$ 27.39 per hour plus 16% in lieu of benefits.

To apply, please click on the following link and create a user account/profile. https://ejp.sd43.bc.ca/postings/Account/Login. Once you have completed your profile you will have access to the job postings. Please attach a cover letter and resume.