MUNDY ROAD ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)

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Dear Parents/Guardians;

It has been wonderful to see so many of you around the school and playground after school! Our students are in their classes as of today. I am sure you will hear from your child(ren) about their new room and teacher as well as being with old friends and meeting new friends!

Thank you for your patience and understanding during our opening week. We’ve planned to have our ‘Open House’ on **Thursday, September 20th, from 6:30 to 7:30**. This is a time for your child to show you their classroom, as well as areas of the school such as the library, computer lab and gym.

As well, we will have a much loved event earlier in the year …. SPORTS DAY! We have moved our annual ‘Sports Day’ to coincide with the National Sports Day month. So mark your calendars – **September 27th** is our **Sports Day in the morning, and our Terry Fox Run in the afternoon**. Terry Fox is a man we all know, from his dedicated run across Canada, raising money for cancer research. We will have a short assembly after lunch, just prior to the run and we invite all our families to come and run with us. The run will take place on the gravel field and on the grass field. We will be collecting donations here at school if you would like to donate to the Terry Fox Foundation.



Stay tuned for a notice from the PAC regarding Hot Dog orders for your family. There will be a concession as well, but you cannot buy a lunch from the concession – so please make sure you preorder your lunches.

The Mundy Road calendar is online – all events that have been confirmed are available for you to see at a glance. Please revisit our site often as we will continue to add special event dates as they are confirmed. Our website is: [www.sd43.bc.ca/mundyroad](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/mundyroad).



**BELL SCHEDULE REMINDER**

Our bell schedule is the same as last year – 8:50 am is when we start our day and the first bell is rung. Dismissal time is 2:50 pm. If you are going to be late picking up your child, please call the office at (604) 936-4271 to let us know.

**PRO D DAY is September 21st**– (Friday) – Mundy Road teachers are attending the Professional Network Series with Provincial Literacy expert Faye Brownlie. There are many workshops throughout the district that day but we were fortunate enough to get into Ms. Brownlie’s workshops – a series of 3 over the course of this school year. Just a reminder that this is a non-instructional day for students.

**COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL** – **September 24th at 9 am**

Please come by and have a coffee – and meet other parents too. This is an informal gathering in our staff room , just after 9 am. I look forward to seeing you!

**PICTURE DAY**

Individual student photos will be taken on **September 26th - (Wednesday).** Every student will have their picture taken and the proofs will be sent home, with a variety of package options to choose from. Payment is made after you have seen the pictures. There will be a day for retakes – and MJM Studios will be sending us that date shortly.

**STUDENT INFORMATION PACKAGES – Available September 12, 2012**

You can fill this out online at [www.mundyroad.ca](http://www.mundyroad.ca) and look under the ‘e-forms’ heading. The forms we need to have on file are:

\***Emergency Release Form**, This form is used in cases of emergency such as an Earthquake. We need these forms as they are part of our school’s Emergency Release Plan.

\* **School Policies Forms**

On this form you consent to a variety of School District policies including the publication of your child’s name, photograph and related comments for school purposes, such as newsletters, our website or pictures in the newspaper(s) and as well as your email for newsletters etc.

\* **Email Consent Form**

We are continuing to reduce our paper use for things that can be communicated through email. The email consent form allows us to communicate with families via email wherever possible. Forms which require your signature/permission will be sent home with your daughter/son. If you have submitted your email address through the eforms you do not need to fill out the copy that your child brought home yesterday.

**FORMS TO BE FILLED OUT AT HOME ARE**:

\* Student Information/Verification Form, (3 pages) – White –This form is vital for up-to-date contact information for your home, work and cell phone numbers and will be sent home later this week.

**PARKING**

You may have noticed that the parking lot is always full – we have more staff here, and parking is at a premium. The back parking lot, off Mundy Road, is also a staff parking area – spots are designated for Happy Days Pre-School Instructors and now we have a new Daycare that does require 3 parking spots.

Parking for parents is available along Mundy Road on either side of the street, and as well, parents are encouraged to park along Warrenton or Tolmie and walk into the school grounds, using the pathways. If you are pulling into the front parking lot to drop your child off, please ensure that you let your child out on the side closest to the front doors, and that you move through the driveway in a safe and cautious manner. We appreciate your cooperation.

**PETS ON THE PLAYGROUND**

Please remember that if you have to bring your family pet to school, it must be leashed, and it must remain outside of the school building. Please stay back from the crowd of children if you are with your pet, and away from student line ups, both before and after school. This is because some of our students (and adults) have a fear of dogs. Although many of us consider our dogs to be part of our family, there are individuals who are allergic and cannot be around pets. Thank you for understanding.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

***Creative Kids!*                                                   Ages 7- 12  years**

**Mon. Sept .24- Nov. 26th  3:30- 5 pm** Come and create, paint, explore the art of Painting, Drawing, Storyboards, Animation Characters and Collage in this fun program lead by Artist and Teacher **Judith M. Atkinson.** Students will learn from the Masters and will create masterpieces and discover their own artistic genius!      **8 Sessions  -    Materials supplied        Cost:  $98.00  No Classes on Monday, October 8th & Nov. 12th , 2012.**

***Continuing to Paint* Adults & Youth**

**Mon. Sept .24- Nov. 26th  7:00– 10:00 pm** This inspiring 3 hour program lead by Artist and Instructor **Judith M. Atkinson** is designed for painters of all levels a study course on contemporary painting practices and principles using a variety of media of your choice, oil or acrylic or watercolour. The course will cover colour theory, composition, skill building and technique along with masterwork painting references. Dive and enrich your creative talents. **8 Sessions**   **Cost: $229.00 no Classes on Monday, October 8th & Nov. 12th , 2012.**

***Painting In the Afternoon    - A Salon for Artists’***

**Thurs  Sept .27- Nov. 15th  1:00– 4:00 pm**

This inspiring 3 hour program lead by Artist and Instructor **Judith M. Atkinson** is designed for painters of all levels, is a study course on painting practices and principles using a variety of media of your choice; acrylic or watercolour, which will be provided for a small supply fee.Students will explore composition, colour theory, texture and painting techniques through a series of exercises intended to enhance individual forms of expression while building your skills and working with masterwork painting references. Explore and enrich your creative talents. **8 Sessions    Cost: $229:00**     **Register : Call :  Evergreen Cultural Centre :  927-6552     Monday – Saturday  12- 5:00 pm In person:          Evergreen Cultural Centre, 1205 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam,  via email:** [**judithm\_atkinson@shaw.ca**](mailto:judithm_atkinson@shaw.ca)

**Register early to assure your space in these creative programs           !**

**Outdoor Sports : Women Only (18 yrs and up ) NEW**

Learn a variety of field sports such as; soccer, Ultimate, football or rugby.  A great way to get fit for all levels of play in a fun and social setting. This is also a great program for mothers and daughters (18+) who want to get out and enjoy some outdoor fitness together.

*at Hillcrest Middle School - Soccer Field* **406192 (barcode)**

**Tuesdays, Sep 11 - Oct 16, 2012 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. $36.00 (plus HST)**

 You can register online at <http://signmeup.coquitlam.ca/signmeup> or by phone at 604-927-4386 or in person at any Coquitlam Parks, Recreation and Culture facilities. if you have any questions about the program, let me know, as I will be instructing it.

