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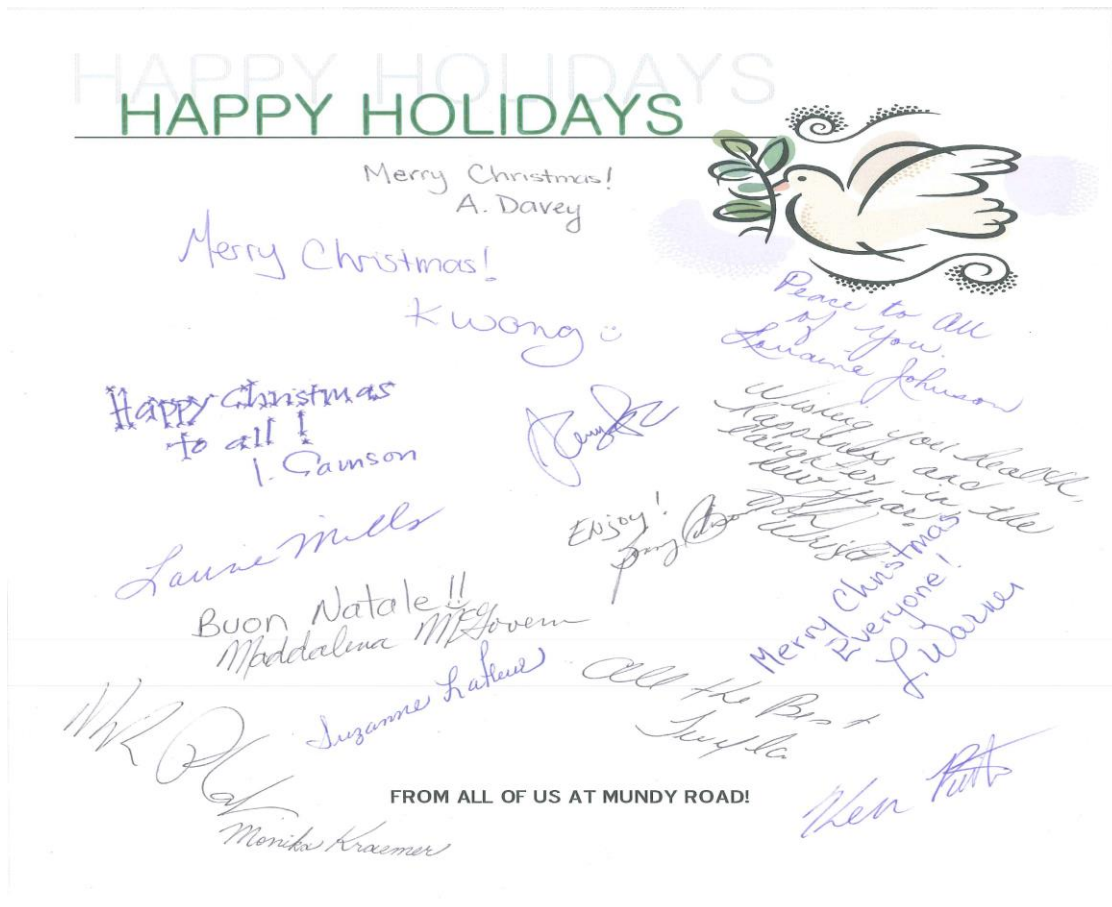


We are extremely fortunate at Mundy Road to have so many people in our school taking an active role in the education of our children, working together to create positive experiences and opportunities. Whether it is teachers, support staff, parents or other community members, our school is always busy with activity. The learning that is happening in the classrooms with engaging activities, hands on projects and open ending opportunities is evident throughout the school on a daily basis. Our children are also learning from the school wide events that have been driven and/or supported by the community such as the hot lunches, popcorn sales, fruit and vegetable program, scholastic book fair, milk program, bake sales, the pub night, the Christmas market, the clothing drive....the list is extensive.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!!!

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Rob Wright
Principal





CALENDAR

Upcoming events that are posted on the Mundy Road school calendar *(make sure to click on the calendar event to get details):*

Winter Concert	December 17
• (1:30 pm at Mundy Road and 6:30 pm at Montgomery Middle School. Students have been asked to arrive at Montgomery Middle School between 6:00pm and 6:15pm)	
Pyjama Day	December 19
PAC Christmas Pancake Breakfast	December 19
Winter Vacation Begins	December 19
Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation	January 5
Mundy Road PAC Meeting	January 14
Professional Day- School not in session	January 26
Student Led Conferences	February 18-19
Early Dismissal	February 18
Early Dismissal	February 19
Pink Shirt Day	February 26



***Check our online school calendar for ALL upcoming events:www.mundyroad.ca

WINTER CONCERT *(an excerpt from the paper notice sent home with students last week)*



Mundy Road Elementary
Winter Concert 2014

December 17th

Dress Rehearsal - 1:30 pm at Mundy Road Gym

Evening Performance - 6:30 pm at Montgomery Middle School Gym

Our Winter Concert this year is called "Celebrate Around the World". The concert will include traditional and composed songs from many different cultures. Cultural traditions such as Diwali, Hanukkah, Christmas, Chinese New Year, Kwanzaa and more as our narrators explain the history behind these celebrations. It will be a wonderful night to sit back, relax, and enjoy as the students of Mundy Road Elementary take you on a cultural journey around the world through the songs representing each culture.

It is important for all children that are participating in the concert to attend both performances to support their class. You are asked to make arrangements to have your child attend and be picked up following the evening concert if you cannot attend.

PUB NIGHT

Fun was had by all at Mickey's Pub on November 15 when Christine Friend and a list of other dedicated parents came together to create a wonderful community event. There was good food, good company and good conversation. Aside from the community coming together socially, the community also raised over \$3000.00 for the school.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR (*A note from Mrs. Mills*)

The Scholastic Book Fair that was held on November 24th, 25th and 26th was a great success. Thanks to the hard work of the many volunteers who generously gave their time and the terrific turnout from the school community we managed to raise about \$1100.00 in books for the school library. We were able to select about \$900 worth of books directly from the Fair, and those books are already catalogued and out in circulation! We will be able to select the other \$200 worth of books over the next few months. Thanks again to the many patient parents who worked on this busy event; we couldn't do it without you!

CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Christmas Market was an amazing success!!! Over \$1100.00 was raised to help local families during the holiday season. In addition, it was an affordable, fun way for students to surprise their family members and other special people in their lives with gifts that students pick out, pay for and have wrapped at school. Many volunteers were needed to make this annual event a success – the extra hands sorted and priced items, set up tables, wrapped items, accepted money etc. A big thank you to Tamara Sherdahl for heading up the Christmas Market Team!

WINTER CONCERT SEAT RAFFLE

The raffle tickets have been pulled and the winners have been notified. Thirty two people have a spot in the first two rows for the afternoon concert and fifty two people have a spot in the first two rows for the evening concert. All proceeds from the raffle, \$369.00, will be donated to the SHARE FOOD BANK on behalf of Mundy Road Elementary. Thank you to Michaela Kelly for organizing the raffle for such a worthwhile charity.

FOOD DRIVE

From December 8- 19 we have been collecting canned and nonperishable food that can be donated to families in need.

Here are some suggestions if you feel you have food donations to give. Please ensure that they are non-perishable and not out of date.

**Examples are: Spaghetti (Pasta), canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned fish, cereal, Dog food, Pasta sauces, Peanut butter, Condiments, Baby food & formula, Rice.....*

If you are interested, donations will be accepted until the morning of Friday, December 19th. We are also asking for parents and guests to bring a non-perishable item to our Winter Concert here and at Montgomery Middle School on December 17th.

FROM THE OFFICE

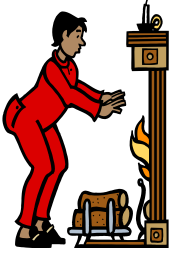
A note from Ms. Gibson:

I would like to thank all the parents for being so diligent in getting the school forms completed and in. Having said that, we still have a few school policy forms outstanding. Please complete this e-form before the New Year. We are also looking for Care Packs. Please send these into your classroom teachers as well.

I would also like to remind you that if your child is going to be late or away please give her a call or send her an email or absent e-form.

Thank you.

PYJAMA DAY



Friday is Pajama Day at Mundy Road. Students and staff will be cozy in their flannels, while enjoying activities in their classroom - the perfect day to end our fall term and welcome the beginning of our holiday season.

RECYCLING IN SD43

School District 43 is going Green! *“Food isn’t waste, so put it in its place”*

Starting January 2015, School District No.43 (Coquitlam) is joining Municipalities, public and private organizations throughout Metro Vancouver to reduce waste in local landfills.

School District No.43 (Coquitlam) is taking action and enforcing the mandate of recycling all organic waste in all District schools, buildings and locations. Bins are presently being rolled out, and staff and students are preparing for the changes. Important in the process is shifting behavior. To do this, the Board of Education is proud to support our “Organic Recycling Awareness Campaign”. In this campaign we will disseminate information via school newsletter, social media, digital creatives and scheduled “green focused” events. This campaign will focus on informing students, parents, staff and the community about the on-going effort our schools are contributing to this mandate.

Please watch for further information about organic waste recycling in your area. If you would like to volunteer to support your neighbourhood school with their green waste transition, please contact your school administrator.

INFORMATION FROM SD43 ABOUT WINTER WEATHER *(also posted on the school website)*

Winter Weather ahead!

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other weather conditions. All schools in the Coquitlam School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements. While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family. Some of our schools are in very different climate zones from one another and there may be the need for select closings within the district. If there is a partial closure of schools within the district, these individual schools will be identified. On occasion, full district or partial district closure is required.

Extreme weather can also impact transit bussing. Bus schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

Any district-wide or partial closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced via **School District 43: website www.sd43.bc.ca** and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

SOME OFFERINGS FROM OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Winter Break Camps offered by the City of Coquitlam

Kids on the Go 5-6

Full of games and activities, sports, arts, crafts and much more. Please bring a lunch, two snacks, warm clothes and runners every day.

Mon	Dec.22	481733	
Tue	Dec.23	481734	
Mon	Dec.29	481735	9:00-3:00 pm
Tue	Dec.30	481736	
Wed	Dec.31	481737	
Fri	Jan.2	481738	

Kids on the Go 7-10

This camp is full of games and activities, sports, arts, crafts, swimming, and much more. Please bring a lunch, two snacks, swim suit, warm clothes and runners every day.

Mon	Dec.22	481739	
Tue	Dec.23	481740	
Mon	Dec.29	481741	9:00-3:00 pm
Tue	Dec.30	481742	
Wed	Dec.31	481743	
Fri	Jan.2	481744	

Cost: \$32.00 per day

Location: Poirier Community Centre- 630 Poirier Street, Coquitlam

To register contact: 604-927-4386 or Online at www.coquitlam.ca



SPRING 2015 UNDER 10 & JUNIOR FIELD HOCKEY PROGRAM

The **TRI-CITY EAGLES FIELD HOCKEY CLUB** has offered a field hockey program to younger players since 2001. The spring program runs for approximately 10 weeks from

April through until the end of June. There is a **Mini** program for those with 2005 to 2010 birth dates (minis are 2005 to 2006 and mites are 2007 to 2010) and a **Junior** program for those with 1997 to 2004 birth dates.

The **TRI-CITY EAGLES FIELD HOCKEY CLUB** is hosting a no-cost Introduction to Field Hockey drop-in session for new players at **CUNNINGGS FIELD** (Pinetree Way & David) in Coquitlam on **Sunday, Jan 18th** from **12:00 to 2:00 PM** for **BOYS and GIRLS**. Junior players new to field hockey will have a chance to pick up a stick and try it out before committing to register. Weather permitting so check the web site for any cancellation. Please dress appropriately. Sticks will be provided for this session.

U-11 to U-18 teams compete in the Greater Vancouver Junior Field Hockey League and the program cost is \$125. The Club's Mini program is designed to introduce younger players to the sport and the rules and field size are modified. Season fee is \$100 per participant for the Mini program and space is limited. Our U10 Mini program is open to both boys and girls.

Registration deadline is February 2, 2015 (and February 16, 2015 for Minis).

Late registrants add \$10 late fee, if space is still available. More information on the Spring program is available through the Club's web site at www.tcfieldhockey.com or by contacting Brian Lewis at 604-619-4034.

Players must first register with Field Hockey BC to gain insurance coverage and a player membership number. U-13 to U-18 pay \$43, U11 & U12 players pay \$15 and U7 to U10 pay \$6. Without the player membership number, registration with our Club cannot be finalized.

We hope to see your daughter/son on the field hockey pitch this Spring!

www.tcfieldhockey.com