

# Westwood Elementary School

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**JUNE 5, 2012**

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Westwood Families,

As I write this, I am looking out at a beautiful, warm Spring day. The weather is much warmer, and we are quickly moving towards summer holidays. This has been a challenging year in many ways, and although the calendar says we are winding down the year, we still have much to accomplish before the summer break – Yikes!

On behalf of the Westwood Staff, I would like to thank each parent and family for the support you have provided our school. Education is a partnership between home and school, and we couldn't have done all that we have done this past year without your support – **thank you!!!** We hope that you can join us for a coffee or tea on **Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – 9:15 – 10:15** for our annual Parent Tea. Several classes have prepared presentations for the occasion. We hope you can join us.

June is a transition month for schools. We are busily wrapping up the current year, and are already immersed in planning for the next. Parents will be receiving the usual year-end Report Card at the end of June.

Congratulations to all of the students on their many accomplishments during the course of this year. In particular, congratulations to our Grade 5 students as they complete their elementary schooling and move on to middle school. Best wishes to each and every one of you and your families.

We are in the final stages of preparing our full calendar for next year. You will see in this newsletter a mini-2012-2013 calendar to help you with planning for key dates. Spring Break 2013 will also be a two-week period March 18 – April 1 (including Easter). School will re-open on Tuesday, April 2, 2013. You will receive one of our handy fridge magnets in September to fill-in all the blanks, or you can always check out the website for the most up-to-date information. Our bell schedule for the coming year will be unchanged – school starts at **8:50 AM**.

In case you might be wondering, **Tuesday, September 4, 2012** is the first day of school for the 2012-2013 school-year. All students in **Grades 1 – 5** will attend school from **9:30 – 10:00 a.m.** and **newly registered Kindergarten** students will attend from **10:15 – 10:45 a.m.** Students will report to their “old” classes at **9:30 a.m.** New students to the school should report to the Library. During this time we will be taking attendance and explaining the activities planned for the first week of school. We will again be offering our very successful **StartSmart Program**.

As always, if you have any questions about these or any other items, please contact me through the school office.

Sincerely,

Brian Leonard  
Principal  
[bleonard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:bleonard@sd43.bc.ca)

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이것은 매우 중요한 서류입니다, 정확한 번역을 부탁드립니다.

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ESTE ES UN DOCUMENTO MUY IMPORTANTE.POR FAVOR, TRATE DE QUE SE LO TRANSLADEN AL ESPAÑOL LO MAS PRONTO POSIBLE.

To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

**School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)**  
**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2012 - 2013**

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<b>Schools Open</b>	<b>Tuesday, September 4</b>
<b>Non-Instructional Day (Common District Day)</b>	<b>Friday, September 23</b>
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>Monday, October 10</b>
<b>Non-Instructional Day (Common District / Common Provincial Day)</b>	<b>Friday, October 21</b>
<b>Remembrance Day</b>	<b>Friday, November 11</b>
<b>School Not in Session</b>	<b>Monday, November 14</b>
<b>School Closes for Winter Vacation</b>	<b>Friday, December 16</b>
<b>Winter Vacation</b>	<b>December 19 – January 2</b>
<b>Schools Open</b>	<b>Tuesday, January 3</b>
<b>Non-Instructional Day (Common District Day)</b>	<b>Friday, February 17</b>
<b>Schools Close for Spring Vacation</b>	<b>Friday, March 9</b>
<b>Spring Vacation</b>	<b>March 12 – March 23</b>
<b>Schools Open</b>	<b>Monday, March 26</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>Friday, April 6</b>
<b>Easter Monday</b>	<b>Monday, April 9</b>
<b>Non-Instructional Day (Common District Day)</b>	<b>Friday, April 20</b>
<b>Victoria Day</b>	<b>Monday, May 21</b>
<b>Administrative Day</b>	<b>Friday, June 29</b>
<b>School-Based Non Instructional Day #1</b>	<b>Friday, January 25, 2013</b>
<b>School-Based Non-Instructional Day #2</b>	<b>Friday, May 31, 2013</b>

	<b>CALENDAR</b>
	<b>JUNE 2012</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Parent Appreciation Tea 9:15—10:15 am Gym</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>PAC Meeting 7:00 pm</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Sports Day/Hot Lunch/ Early Dismissal 1:30pm</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Gr. 5 Yr. End Trip to Cultus Lake Waterpark</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Last Day of School/Reports Cards Final Assembly</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Early Dismissal 12:00 Noon</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Admin Day</b>



### **AT THE OFFICE**

#### **Office Hours**

***Our office phones will be answered between 8:15 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. Please be sure to call in any student absences before 8:50 a.m. or leave a message on our answering machine in the evening or early morning. Thank you.***

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## **COQUITLAM SUMMER LEARNING**



#### **Attention Parents:**

**Registration for Elementary & Middle classes begins at 6:00 a.m. on June 5th. *Tuition-Free\* Classes include: Reading & Writing (1-5), Mathematics (1-8), French Immersion (1-5), Fine Arts (1-8), English (6-8), Science (6-8), and Band (Gr 6-8).***

**Visit [www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca) to register for courses. If you haven't created your account yet, please visit the site for information. If you need your child's PEN number, please visit your school's office. You will need an account *prior* to registration. \*For BC Residents (International Students pay a fee)**

## School District Summer Day Camps are Back!!

Miller Park and Pitt River Community Schools are pleased to again be able to offer 6 weekly Summer Day Camps! The 9am - 3pm camps are open to all children from 6 - 12 years so bring a friend or two. Each week will have a different theme and activities include a variety of games, sports, arts, crafts, dance, science, drama and a swimming field trip each week to an area pool and more! For information please contact:

Steve Brown-John at 604 230-1233 or [sbrown-john@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:sbrown-john@sd43.bc.ca) Or Heather Roemer at 604 464-0207 or

[hroemer@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:hroemer@sd43.bc.ca) Check our websites [www.sd43.bc.ca/millerpark](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/millerpark) (look for Summer Camp 2012 under Publications) or [www.sd43.bc.ca/pittriver](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/pittriver) for more information and to download registration forms. **Happy Camping!!!**

## COQUITLAM SUMMER LEARNING

Summer Learning 2012 Online Registration Dates (6:00 a.m. Opening)

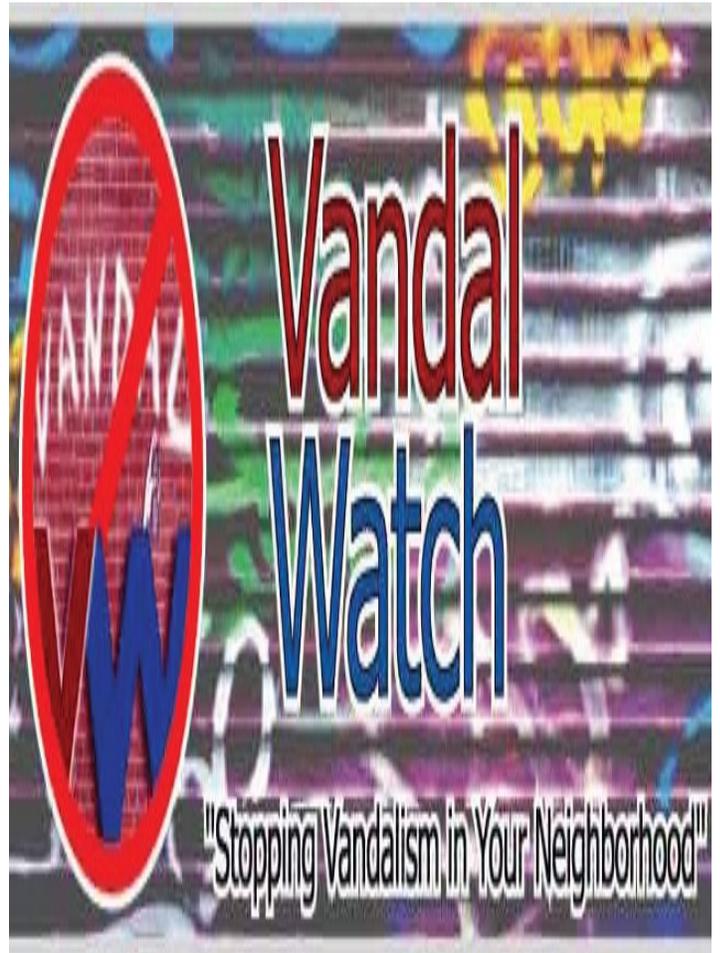
Elementary & Middle Skill Building: June 5th  
Grades 9 and 10 Skill Building: June 5th you must have an account with our online system BEFORE registering for courses. Please visit our website and create/update your account now.

Visit [www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)

## COQUITLAM ADANACS SR. A LACROSSE

All District 43 Students are invited FREE  
Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Coquitlam Sport & Leisure Center

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## DOUGLAS COLLEGE

### SUMMER CAMPS

2012( July and August ) Children and Youth Ages  
5—15 yrs.

### **Sports, Computers, Dance, Film and Writing Camps**

Douglas College Summer Camps is one of the largest youth camps programs in the lower mainland offering over 80 week long camps in sports and computers to the Coquitlam area since 1996. Our goal to ensure that our participants learn about the activity while having fun within a safe environment. **New** Field Lacrosse, Stop Motion, Young Writers, and All Star Presenters, Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Multisport, soccer, track & field, volleyball, Tennis, Computers 101, DigiArt, Intro to Programming, Sports & Computers & many more courses. For more info [www. Douglascollege.ca/ youth\\_camps](http://www.Douglascollege.ca/youth_camps) or 604.527.5680.

## KidSport Tri-Cities Bi-Annual Used Equipment Sale

KidSport Tri-Cities is holding their much anticipated **Bi-annual Used Equipment Sale, Presented by Westminster Savings:**

**Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 2pm**  
Coquitlam Main Arena  
Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex  
633 Poirier Ave.

**Admission is by donation or item for the food bank**

If you or your family is in to sports, **we will save you money!** A huge variety of quality used sporting goods at incredible prices. Everything from bikes and hockey gear to fitness equipment and wetsuits and everything in between. You can outfit a child for hockey (including skates and a helmet) for \$100. Lacrosse (including a stick and helmet) for \$90. Plus, there's no HST. All proceeds go to subsidize registration fees for kids from low income families.

To make this event a huge success KidSport needs equipment! **Families are encouraged to donate and drop off their used sporting goods of any kind from August 4<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> at the following locations:**

**Port Coquitlam Rec Centre  
Port Moody Rec Centre  
Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex  
Thriftopolis - D-2579 Lougheed Hwy, Port Coquitlam**

As well, from **July 4-Aug 15** in front of the offices at:

**Centennial Secondary, 570 Poirier St.  
Coquitlam  
Gleneagle Secondary, 1195 Lansdowne,  
Coquitlam**

If you have used equipment taking up space in your garage or basement, this is a great opportunity to free up some space, donate the equipment (including bikes) and make a great contribution to our community. Please remember to also come by the sale for some amazing deals

# Banana Bran Muffins



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Makes 12 Servings

### What You Need

1 1/4 cups whole wheat flour	1/3 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup rolled oats	1 egg
1/2 cup natural bran	1 cup mashed banana (2-3 bananas)
1 tsp baking powder	1/2 cup buttermilk or sour milk*
1 tsp baking soda	2 tbsp molasses
1/4 tsp salt	3/4 cup raisins
1/3 cup canola oil	

\*Sour milk by adding 1 tbsp. vinegar into 1/2 cup milk

### How You Prepare

Mix oil, brown sugar and egg together. Stir in mashed banana, buttermilk/sour milk and molasses. Add dry ingredients and raisins and stir just until moistened. Fill 12 muffin cups 3/4 full of batter. Bake 375 degrees F for 20 to 25 minutes.

Variation: add 1/3 cup chopped nuts.

**( Per  
Serving )**

Calories 205  
Carbohydrates 34 g  
Protein 4 g  
Fat 7 g  
Dietary Fiber 4 g



## **2012 Fair at the PNE to Continue Free Admission for Children 13 & Under**

**Due to the overwhelming success of the inaugural year of the expanded program, The Fair at the PNE is thrilled to once again offer FREE gate admission for all children 13 and under\* during the Fair's run from Saturday, August 18 to Monday, September 3, 2012.**

**For the second year since the 1940's the PNE won't be sending a free entrance ticket home in elementary school report cards across the province. Instead, children 13 and under will be admitted free with an adult throughout each day of the Fair at the PNE.**

**"The expansion of this historic program was an incredible success, allowing families with elementary school aged children to visit the Fair on multiple days and take advantage of the many programs we offer for our youngest Fair fans," says Michael McDaniel, President & CEO.**

**The annual Fair at the PNE is BC's premier summer time event offering a wide range of new and classic family entertainment.**

**More information: Visit [www.pne.ca](http://www.pne.ca) in early July to find out all about the 2012 Fair entertainment program featuring hundreds of free with admission shows, exhibits and attractions for guests of all ages.**

## SUMMER ARTS CAMPS @ EVERGREEN

### Three weeks of creativity

COQUITLAM - Evergreen is offering three unique camps, over three weeks in July 2012. Including the very popular Kids on Stage, a combo drama/visual art day camp; the classical-with-a-twist drama program, Shakespeare Shake-up and a new Animation/Filmmaking day camp where kids try their hands at claymation-type stop motion and basic filmmaking.

#### **Kids on Stage (Ages 7 – 12) \$220 July 9 – 13, 2012 & July 16 – 20, 2012, 9am – 3pm**

From writing their own scripts to building sets and props, kids have a blast at this popular day camp. Each day is packed with extra activities including walks around the lake, legendary water-balloon games and crafts. On the final day, campers will host a world premiere of their play to family and friends.

#### **Shakespeare Shake-up (Ages 8 – 13) \$235 July 23 – 27, 2012, 9am – 4pm**

From the page to the stage – a classic, tragic story with a modern, comic twist. This camp provides a fun and accessible introduction to the world of the Bard, with parts for everyone from beginner to advanced, culminating in a student performance of “Macbeth: the Musical!” on Friday for family and friends.

#### **Animation & Filmmaking (Ages 8 – 13) \$235 July 23 – 27, 2012 9am – 4pm**

In the mornings, campers will explore the art of stop motion animation, creating characters and sets out of plasticine and found objects. In the afternoons, campers will learn the basics of filmmaking and editing in order to create a short film in their favourite genre—drama, documentary, comedy, music video or experimental.

After care is available all three weeks from 3pm – 5pm, \$10/day. Registration is now open.

To register for these camps contact the Box Office registration line at **604.927.6552**, Monday to Saturday, noon to 5pm. You can also go online at [www.evergreenculturalcentre.ca](http://www.evergreenculturalcentre.ca) to Programs/Summer Arts Camps and download the registration form.

## SCIENCE WORLD:

The Science World coupons (admit one child free with adult) are available in electronic version this year. Here is the link: <http://www.scienceworld.ca/davinci-schools>

Da Vinci - The Genius. Limited engagement from April 28. At Science World at TELUS World of Science <http://www.scienceworld.ca/davinci>

Examine mysteries of the natural world, conduct experiments, concoct bubbling brews, and create curious contraptions—at our da Vinci-themed Summer Science Camp. <http://www.scienceworld.ca/summercamp>