

Weekly Westwood Parent Email for Friday, December 8th, 2023

Dear Westwood Families,

I've attached the email below in PDF for easier reading on some Smart phones.

Thank you for reading this weekly email and keeping informed about your child's school.

THE WEEK AHEAD AT WESTWOOD

Tuesday, December 12th – 7:00pm PAC Meeting in Library

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Programs of Choice (On Line Applications Begin Jan 11th)

Programs of Choice On-Line Applications for Kindergarten entering September 2024:

Opens January 11, 2024 at 9am

Closes January 17, 2024 at 4pm

The link to apply will be posted on the school district website. <http://www.sd43.bc.ca>

Parents must apply in this time period for their child to be considered for placement. Selection will be done by a random lottery draw with priority given to younger siblings of students who will be attending the Program of Choice at the same school in September 2024. Children who are not successfully placed will be on a waitlist and must register for Kindergarten at their catchment school.

Parents who currently have a child attending a Program of Choice (eg French Immersion at Westwood) and wish their upcoming kindergarten child to enter must still apply and indicate "Confirmation of Sibling Status applies".

Please ensure the school has your most current address.

For more information on Programs of Choice, please visit:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Programs of Choice – Grade 5 Parents

Late Programs of Choice On-Line Applications for Middle School:

Opens January 11 2024 at 9am

Closes January 17, 2024 at 4pm

The link to apply will be posted on the school district website. <http://www.sd43.bc.ca>

Parents must apply in this time period for their child to be considered for placement.

Selection will be done by a random lottery draw with priority given to younger siblings of students who will be attending the Program of Choice at the same school in September 2024.

Children who are not successfully placed will be on a waitlist.

Parents who currently have a child attending a Program of Choice and wish their upcoming child to enter must still apply and indicate "Confirmation of Sibling Status applies".

Students currently enrolled in Grade 5 Montessori **must apply** if they wish to continue in Grade 6 Montessori.

For more information on Programs of Choice, please visit:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

PAC NEWS

NEXT PAC MEETINGS:

- Tuesday, December 12, 2023 @ 7pm. In the Library (or [click here](#) for a link to participate virtually using Teams) Agenda attached.
- Tuesday, January 18, 2024 @ 7pm

SPIRIT WEAR: All Spirit Wear Orders have been delivered and handed out to your child by their teacher.

NEXT HOT LUNCH SESSION: Our next Hot Lunch session will be open for orders towards the end of next week. We will update our Facebook Group and email from Mrs. Parmar when we have the next session open and ready for ordering (for lunches in January, February and March 2024).

SHARE FOOD AND TOY DRIVE

We are collecting Food and New Unwrapped Toys to donate to SHARE from Dec 11th to Dec 20th. We are calling our drive "8 Days of Giving" to teach our students the importance of giving at this time of year. Please check any expiry dates on food items that you are considering donating. Items with an expiry before Jan 2024 will be thrown away. Thank you!

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS- Jan to March

Registration Information for the following Westwood Afterschool programs will be sent in a separate email next week. These programs are yet to be confirmed, but we are sharing the info we have for now for your planning purposes. Registration is first come, first served, so please watch out for the emails from Mrs. Parmar.

Mondays – Music Adventure Piano (K – Gr 3)

Tuesdays – SEL Ninja Warriors

Wednesdays – City of Port Coquitlam Multisports

Wednesdays – Cloverdale Robotics (2 programs)

Thursdays – RIZE Basketball

Fridays – Cloverdale Robotics (2 programs)

LOST AND FOUND

Please see the attached photo. Please come to the office to claim if you recognize your child's lost item. *Items not claimed by Dec 22nd will be donated to charity.*

REPEAT INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS EMAILS

Westwood Winter Concert – Please save the date of Tuesday, December 19th at 1:15pm for our school winter concert!

COMING UP SOON AT WESTWOOD

Tuesday, December 19th 1:15pm Westwood Winter Concert

Wednesday, December 20th – Formal Report Card Term 1 Available to view on MyEd

Friday, December 22nd – Last day of school before Winter Vacation (School reopens Jan 8th)

Have a wonderful weekend!

Stacey Parmar

Principal

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We acknowledge we are on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the kʷikʷəłəm (Kwikwetlem First Nation). We thank the kʷikʷəłəʼm who continue to live on these lands and care for them, along with the waters, and all that is above and below.