

# ÉCOLE MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL OF THE ARTS



Newsletter #7—2015/16

March 2016

## Principally Speaking

“Our task is to educate their (our students) whole being so they can face the future. We may not see the future, but they will and our job is to help them make something of it.”

— [Ken Robinson](#), [The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything](#)

### Communicating Student Learning: Celebrating then Goal Setting

Term Two report cards will be sent home with students this Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. They are designed to provide you with information about your child’s learning and progress over the last term. Please keep these report cards and attachments for your records at home; they are important documents, and **return** the report card envelope and folder to school.

Teachers are committed to challenging and supporting the learning of every student at Moody Middle. As we start the final term of 2015-16, it is a great time for students to set goals for areas they want to focus on and improve. Please do not hesitate to contact teachers if you have any questions about your child’s progress.

We hope you were able to join us today for the Presentations of Learning where our students were in the driver’s seat, sharing their second term inquiries or projects from our theme of water. We also hope to see you during the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> when our spring musical production of The Little Mermaid Jr. will take place. Evening performances are at 7:00 pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>.

When we return after March Break we are in the final stretch of what has been another busy year! From here on in, everything moves very quickly. Getting ready to welcome next year’s incoming students through our articulation process is an important part of spring. In April, our student services staff visits our elementary associate schools to meet with the grade 5 teachers. Later in May, class-building begins as we prepare for our third year at École Moody Middle School of the Arts. Similarly, secondary school staff will be visiting with our teachers next month to discuss the grade 8 students before they enter the final stage of their middle school education.

## ATTENDANCE

***To report a student missing or late, please call the office at 604-461-7384 or email [MoodyMiddleSecretary@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:MoodyMiddleSecretary@sd43.bc.ca)***  
***Please provide the student’s name, teacher’s name or division and the reason for the absence.***

***- Thank you!***



We hope everyone has a safe, restful and enjoyable holiday and is looking forward to returning on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Mr. Trevor Kolkea**, Principal

## MOODY ATHLETICS

### Moody Athletics

The basketball season has come to a close with our student athletes learning how to play the game with a positive attitude and good sportsmanship. A highlight for our school is the girls grade 7/8 basketball team winning the North division B championships! The coaches would like to thank the players for their dedication and hard work throughout the year and also the many parent volunteers who have helped drive and cheer on our student athletes.

Spring sports will begin right after spring break. Moody will be offering Badminton, Rugby, and Track & Field for all grades. Students can sign up for these sports on the first week back from spring break. All school sports teams require a \$5 athletic fee for each team. Permission forms can be picked up from the school office or found on our website.

There is a need for help coach Track and Field. If you are free to coach any of the running or field events from 3:00 – 4:30pm, please email Mr. Abello at [aabello@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:aabello@sd43.bc.ca). Thank you.

## MOODY MIDDLE IS...



**Construction:** In case you haven't visited our Construction Update button on our website, just click:

[Construction Updates](#) here



Shot captured last week...

Some of the forms have been removed now to reveal some lower walls.

## Counselor / Youth Worker Corner

As we all head into spring break and have time to relax, we hopefully have more time to focus on nurturing our kids' mental health. Here are some ideas on how to support our families.

- Help children build strong, caring relationships. It's important for children and youth to have strong relationships with family and friends. Spend some time together each night around the dinner table.
- Help children and youth develop self-esteem, so that they feel good about themselves. Praise them when they do well. Recognize their efforts as well as what they achieve. Ask questions about their activities and interests.
- Listen, and respect their feelings. It's okay for children and youth to feel sad or angry. Encourage them to talk about how they feel. Keep communication and conversation flowing by asking questions and listening to your kids. Help your child find other trusted adults to talk to.
- Create a safe, positive home environment. Be aware of your child's media use: TV, movies, Internet, gaming devices (whether hand-held, or played through a computer or television). Provide time for physical activity, play, and family activities.
- Be a role model by taking care of your own mental health. Talk about your feelings. Make time for things you enjoy.
- Teach your children how to relax when they feel upset. This could be deep breathing, doing something calming (such as a quiet activity they enjoy), taking some time alone, or going for a walk.

If you are interested in taking a course to be able to better communicate with your child, Parenting Wisely is a free course about managing the behaviour of adolescents for parents of children 10-18 years old. It is evidence based and has proven effective at:

- significantly reducing verbal and physical aggression between teens and parents (and between spouses and partners!)
- significantly reducing the frequency and severity of teen/preteen problem behaviors
- teaches valuable communication and behavior management skills including: Contracting, Assertive Discipline, "I" Statements, Supervision of Schoolwork and Peers, Positive Role-Modeling, and more...

The course starts **Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup> from 10:00am-11:30am**. It will run for 8 consecutive Thursdays and ends on May 31, 2016. It will be held at **Montgomery Middle School**, 1900 Edgewood Ave, Coquitlam., Please call Michelle at [604-927-4417](tel:604-927-4417) to register.

If you are interested in a similar course for elementary school children, with topics that include waiting patiently until conversations or phone calls are over, morning and bedtime routines, cooperating with friends and peers, behaving in public and school-work challenges, please contact me for more information.

If you are looking for some activities during spring break, please see the link below:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/porter/Publications/Port%20Moody%20Arts%20Centre%20-%20Spring%20Break%20Camps.pdf>

*M. Armstrong* [marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:marmstrong@sd43.bc.ca)





# Presentations of Learning @ EMMSOTA



We hope you enjoyed attending this school-wide celebration of learning geared toward having students talk about, and share their learning with others. In the inquiry process, students are asked to demonstrate their new connections, questions and information in a variety of ways. Presenting it to others is a powerful medium. Parents as participants in their children's learning takes time and effort but supports growth, engagement and deepens learning. On behalf of all the staff at EMMSOTA, thank you for taking time to come to our POL and continuing to be involved in our school.



## FSA Testing

Gr. 7 students have now completed the FSA testing. Results will be sent home to parents with the Term 2 report cards this week.

## Yearbooks

Yearbooks are still on sale! The price for yearbooks is now \$35— limited copies are available. **Order now to ensure you get a copy. Our order form is on our website:**

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/moody/Publications>

### 2014-15 Yearbooks still available...

If you missed out on purchasing one of our yearbooks last year, there's still time to pick one up at a reduced cost. Very few remain at *only \$10*

**Follow us on Twitter @43moody!** If you don't already follow us on Twitter here are a few posts you have missed:

Today's construction action. [pic.twitter.com/tkdro0GbuG](http://pic.twitter.com/tkdro0GbuG)

Real Acts of Caring Week is a chance to recognize one another [@43moody](https://twitter.com/43moody) for being kinder than necessary. [pic.twitter.com/bvYNNZeTTI](http://pic.twitter.com/bvYNNZeTTI)

Seymour skiing with EMMSOTA. Amazing views tonight. Good times!! [@43moody](https://twitter.com/43moody) [pic.twitter.com/kzTk2xXTIR](http://pic.twitter.com/kzTk2xXTIR)



## Teachers in the news!

Patti Duggan retired from Moody Middle two years ago but is still active in the classroom. Not only is she a volunteer with our EAL students at Moody once a week, she is making headlines in supporting students in Burnaby.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/retired-b-c-teacher-back-in-classroom-helping-refugee-teens-1.3472937>

## Gifted Program

Our gifted education teacher, Mrs. Andersen, would like to direct the families of our gifted students to check out her website [Moody Middle Mrs. Andersen](http://www.moodymiddle.ca/mrs-andersen) to stay informed about all things gifted within our school, our community and beyond. Each month she will post a newsletter detailing notices of events, articles and topics of interest to those of you with gifted children. If you ever have something you would like to share or post on the subject, please feel free to contact her at [pandersen@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:pandersen@sd43.bc.ca)

## PAC Contacts

2015-2016

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**Connie Caldwell**

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## PAC News & Events

**PAC TREAT & HOTDOG/HAMBURGER DAY - Friday March 11** at lunch

The menu will include:

Treats such as Quinoa Pops and more	\$.50-1.50
Drinks	\$1-2.00
Fruit	\$1.00
Hot Dogs	\$2.00
Hamburger	\$3.00
Special Valentine Treats	\$1-\$2

**BOOK FAIR:**

École Moody Middle's book fair will be open on **Wednesday March 9**. The hours are: 1:45-4:00pm (Presentations of Learning, early dismissal day)

**PAC Meetings:**

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 4 at 7 pm in the library.

**Upcoming Events/Notices to watch for are:**

**Raffle Basket Donations:** Please watch for the spring fair raffle basket donation notice to come home. Please keep in mind if you have any actual baskets to donate, that would be greatly appreciated. The raffle baskets will be raffled off at the spring play.

**Staff Appreciation Notice:** Will be sent home at the same time as the raffle basket notice. These notices will be sent home after Spring Break.

### BOOK FAIR

Our PAC hosted another book fair this week and last. Thanks to all students and parents/guests who attended and supported our school. Proceeds from the book fair help our School Library.

Special thanks to Mrs. Muma and Mrs. Peltier for all their help in making this another successful book fair!

### PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The following students presented their speeches this week at our School Public Speaking contest, and had the honour of being selected to give their speeches this Friday to the entire school. One student from each grade will be chosen to represent our school at the District Finals on March 31st.

Grade 6: Faith M & Asia M

Grade 7: Mena S & Logan D

Grade 8: Riley M & Ki-seon P

Thanks to all students who participated!



## PROJECT CHANGE



This month we are repurposing some old desks into three planter boxes. The Moody Market continues. This is our 'thrift store on wheels', raising money for local environmental charities.

After Spring Break, we will be starting our indoor green house and also beautifying our outdoor spaces with flowers.

We always appreciate donations for the Moody Market (youth clothing, accessories, games, books etc) - as well, we would appreciate some 2 litre bottles for another gardening project.

Chess Club meets every Monday after school in the Youth Lounge. All levels are welcome!

Christine McLellan [cmclellan@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:cmclellan@sd43.bc.ca)



## Important Notices

Please see an important announcement regarding 2 Additional Non-Instructional Days added to this year's calendar.

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/moody/Pages/publications.aspx>

### Winter Weather Notice:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/moody/Publications/WinterWeatherNotice>

## Contact us:

Email:

[MoodyMiddleSecretary@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:MoodyMiddleSecretary@sd43.bc.ca)

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(604) 461-7384

Twitter [@43moody](https://twitter.com/@43moody)

Visit us on the web at [www.moodymiddle.ca](http://www.moodymiddle.ca)

## Community Corner

We have many community related activities posted on our website. Check for the latest information on art programs, sport programs, community classes, athletic clubs, community news, Parks & Recreation activities, and more...

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/moody/Pages/publications.aspx>



### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Please see all our upcoming important dates on our website calendar—the next page includes our most current events

<http://Moody Middle Calendar>

**École Moody Middle School of the Arts**

3115 St. Johns Street  
Port Moody, BC V3H 2C6  
604-461-7384

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/moody/Pages/default.aspx>





# École Moody Middle School of the Arts upcoming IMPORTANT DATES...



Every Friday is Spirit Wear day—students are encouraged to wear any ‘Moody Middle Wear’ - spot prizes are given out each Friday!

## March

- Mar 1—4—Scholastic Book Fair
- Tues Mar 1—Moody Sr. Band @ PMSS Spring Concert
- Thurs Mar 3—Jr. Achievement Dollars & Sense program—Gr 7/8
- Mon Mar 7—Gr 7/8 Basketball Playoffs
- Wed Mar 9—Scholastic Book Fair
- Wed Mar 9—Early Dismissal @ 1:50
- Wed Mar 9—Presentations of Learning—1:30-4:30pm
- Fri Mar 11—last day of classes before Spring Break
- Fri Mar 11—2nd Formal report card (Term 2 ends)
- Mon Mar 14—Thurs Mar 24—Spring Break
- Fri Mar 25—Good Friday (Schools not in session)
- Mon Mar 28—Easter Monday (Schools not in session)
- Tuesday Mar 29—school reopens after Spring Break
- Tuesday Mar 29—Term 3 begins
- Thursday Mar 31—POD photos

## April

- Monday April 4—PAC meeting
- Tues/Wed Apr 5/6/12/13/26/27—ArtStarts—Marisa Pahl @ Moody
- Thurs/Fri April 7/8/21/22/28/29—ArtStarts-Adrian Walker @ Moody
- Mon Apr 11—Spring Musical—stage set-up—Adult & Student help needed
- Tues Apr 12—Late Spring Musical rehearsal
- Wed Apr 13—Spring Musical Stage decoration/set-up
- Thurs Apr 14—Beginning Band Day (Grd 6) @ Pitt River
- Thurs Apr 14—Spring Musical Late rehearsal
- Fri Apr 15—Pro D—school not in session
- Fri Apr 15—Spring Play full day rehearsal (on stage)
- Sat Apr 16—Spring Play full day rehearsal
- Mon Apr 18—Spring Play morning performance for Elementary Schools
- Tues-Thurs Apr 19-21—Spring Play evening performances
- Fri Apr 22—EARTH Pod Term 3 Explorations ends
- Fri Apr 22—Michael Bortolotto (professional speaker)
- Mon Apr 25—Term 4 Earth Expo begins

# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND INFORMATION

The Port Moody Arts Centre comes to Moody Middle

## ART EXPLORATIONS

BUILDING CREATIVITY & TECHNICAL SKILL  
APRIL 19 - MAY 24 TUESDAYS (6 CLASSES)





**ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR**

Kimberly Blackstock is a local practicing artist regularly exhibiting in galleries throughout Greater Vancouver and is represented by ArtWorks Gallery in Yaletown.

When not in her studio painting she instructs visual arts to both adults and children at The Port Moody Arts Centre as well as in school district 43.

Well recognized for her active involvement with children and the arts in her community, Kimberly believes it is important to share her knowledge and passion for the arts with children and provide them with the tools and encouragement they need to explore and develop their own individual creative expression.

**GRADES**  
6-8

**CLASS DESCRIPTION**  
Young artists will explore visual arts, develop technical skills and discover new ways to express themselves creatively. Kimberly is a versatile well recognized professional artist and will guide students through the foundations of painting both representational and in an abstract manner while also introducing a variety of visual art materials in a fun learning environment.



**ALL SUPPLIES INCLUDED**  
Obtain permission forms from the office or from Ms.Chan. Signed forms and cheques can be dropped off at the office in "A" building or with Ms. Chan.

**the arts centre**  
port moody



Below: Art created in Blackstock's students  
Right: cityscape by Blackstock



## Youth Fire Night

### Grades 6-12

Join our Youth Leaders and the Port Moody Firefighters for a tour of our Inlet Fire Hall.  
**Pre-registration required**

Meeting Location:  
Recreation Complex Youth Lounge

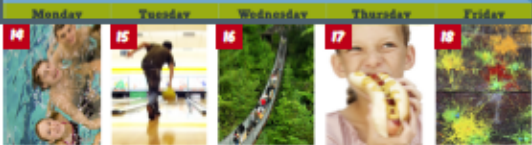
**Friday, March 11**  
**6:45pm-9:00pm**  
**Cost: FREE**



Port Moody Recreation Complex  
300 Ioco Road, Port Moody, BC  
604.469.4556 | www.portmoody.ca

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## THIS COULD BE YOUR SPRING BREAK!



**SIGN UP FOR PORT MOODY'S YOUTH CAMPS TODAY!**

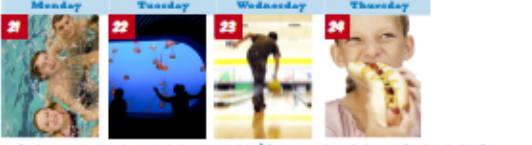
### EPIC YOUTH SPRING BREAK CAMP

Zone Bowling, Aquarium  
Watermania, Paintball,  
Capilano Suspension  
Bridge, BBQ and more!

For Youth  
grades 6-12  
9AM-4PM

March 14-18 & March 21-24  
\$185.00/5 sessions & \$148.00/4 sessions

## THIS COULD BE YOUR SPRING BREAK!



**SIGN UP FOR PORT MOODY'S YOUTH CAMPS TODAY!**

Port Moody Recreation Complex, Youth Lounge  
300 Ioco Rd, Port Moody, BC 604.469.4556 | www.portmoody.ca

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## Curiosity Fair



**Saturday, March 5**  
**11am-3pm**

### Port Moody Public Library & Inlet Theatre

Ignite your imagination with science and technology demonstrations and interactive exhibits. Special presentations in the theatre include:

Science World	11-11:30am	Electricity Show
Dr. Paul Tinari	11:45am-12:15pm	3D Printing
SFU Science Alive	12:30-1pm	Fire & Ice
TRIUMF	1:15-1:45pm	Dark Matter
HR MacMillan Space Centre	2-2:30pm	Astronomy—Mars Rover Landing & Pluto Flyby

Drop-in, on a first come basis. This free program is presented by the Port Moody Public Library



College Park Community Association's  
6th annual  
**Easter Egg Hunt  
And Amazing Easter Race**

Monday, March 28th at 10:15 AM  
Westhill Park




- Easter Egg Hunt for kids 6 and under
- Scavenger Hunt for kids 7-10
- EAR (Easter Amazing Race) for kids Grade 6 and up.
- NOTE: Pre-registration is required for the EAR event. Only 50 kids can participate! Please call 604-469-4556 to register.

Enjoy Rocky Mountain Chocolate eggs, Starbucks coffee, Juice, face painting, games, prizes and meet the Easter bunny!


Bring your Easter basket!

Membership is required and can be purchased at the Easter Egg Hunt - \$20 per family or \$10 for households without kids



**Central Community Elementary School**  
School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

*Central community school is excited to offer a spring break camp in partnership with:*



**Unique Get Together Society**  
Changing the world for special needs children

**PRESENTS:**  
**SPRING BREAK CAMP 2016**

Unique Get Together is a non-profit society that helps children with special needs realize their full social, emotional and educational potential in a safe, nurturing environment while providing valuable and supportive respite care for families and caregivers

**Location:** Central Community School  
**Ages:** 8 - 12 years old  
**Dates:** March 14 - 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
**Time:** 9:00 - 3:00 PM  
**Cost:** \$200 for 5 days of camp

**What Will We Do During Spring Break:** Kids will participate in various activities ranging from arts and crafts to trips to the Zoo and Vancouver Aquarium! There will be outings to local parks as well as a Swim Day at Hyde Creek Recreation Center.

Participants will need to bring a lunch and dress for the weather!

**ALL CHILDREN WELCOME REGARDLESS OF BEHAVIOURS OR PERSONAL CARE NEEDS, ETC**

**TO REGISTER:**

Online: <http://www.uniquegettogether.com>  
Email: [uniquegettogether@gmail.com](mailto:uniquegettogether@gmail.com)  
Contact: Debra Abraham - (604) 725-2483