

# Westwood Elementary School

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Westwood Families,

This is the final newsletter for the 2010-2011 school year. It is hard to believe that the school year is coming to a close!

On behalf of the Westwood Staff, I would like to thank each parent and family for the support you have provided our school. As I stated at the Parent Tea, 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!!!**

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 various middle schools. Best wishes to each and every one of you and your families.

Although a few staff changes are still to be determined, we are saying a fond farewell to a few staff members: **Mrs. Price, Mrs. Kask, Ms. Corazza, and Ms. Reale** are completing their assignments with us; and, **Mrs. McKay**, our long-time evening caretaker, who has accepted a different shift at Blakeburn Elementary. We wish them well and hope they will return to visit us at Westwood in the future.

In case you might be wondering, **Tuesday, September 6, 2011** is the first day of school for the 2011-2012 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**.

You will see in this newsletter a mini-2011-2012 calendar to help you with planning for key dates, pro-d days, early dismissals, and holidays. Spring Break 2012

will also be a two-week period – March 12 – 23. 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. Our bell schedule for the coming year will be unchanged – school starts at **8:50 AM**.

Finally, I would like to wish each and every family a very restful and happy summer vacation.

Sincerely,  
Brian Leonard  
Principal

**This is an important document. Please arrange to have it translated**

此為重要文件,請翻譯成中文.

이것은 매우 중요한 서류입니다, 정확한 번역을 부탁드립니다.

این مدارک از اهمیت ویژه ای برخوردار است لطفاً ترجمه شده آن را در خواست بنمایید.

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.

## REMINDER TO PARENTS

**June 10—Sports Day**  
**June 10 - Hot Lunch Day**  
**June 10 —Early Dismissal 1:30pm**

**June 20 - Gr. 5 Activity Day**

**June 29 - Last Day School**  
**June 29 - Report Cards**  
**June 29 - Final Assembly**

<b>JUNE 2011</b>	
10	<b>Sports Day Hot Lunch</b>
10	<b>Early Dismissal 1:30 pm</b>
13- 17	<b>Westwood Roller Blading Week</b>
17	<b>Blue Ribbon Writers Assembly @ 1:30</b>
20	<b>Grade 5 Activity Day to Cultus Lake</b>
28	<b>Westwood's Talent Show 1-3pm</b>
29	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Last Day School</li> <li>2. Gr. 5 Leaving Assembly 9:15 am</li> <li>3. Final Assembly 10:45 am</li> <li>4. Report Cards</li> <li>5. Early Dismissal 12:00 Noon</li> </ol>
Sept	<b>2011-2012 Calendar</b> 6 - Schools Open 23- Pro-D Day
Oct	10- Thanksgiving - School Closed 21- Pro-D Day
Nov	11- Remembrance Day School Closed 14- Schools closed
Dec	16- Schools Closed Winter Vacation 19- Jan 2-Christmas Break
Jan	3- Schools Re-open 27- Pro-D Day
Feb	17-Pro-D Day
March	9-Schools Closed for Spring Break 12- 23 Spring Break 26- Schools Re-open
April	6 -Good Friday 9 Easter Monday 20- Pro-D Day
May	21-Victoria Day
June	1- Pro-D Day 29- Administrative Day -Schools Close

## COQUITLAM SUMMER LEARNING 2011

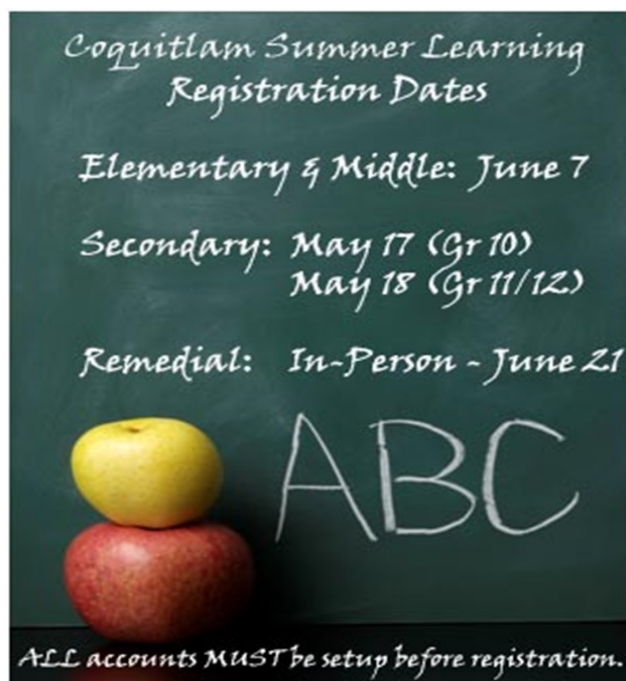
### Elementary Program

(Grades 1-5) July 12 - 29  
Heritage Mountain, Parkland,  
Pinetree Way

### Middle Program

(Grades 6-8) July 12 - 29  
Scott Creek

### Academic Remedial & Skill Building Programs



*ALL accounts MUST be setup before registration.*

(Grades 8-10) July 5 - 29  
Charles Best

### High School Credit Program

(Grades 10-12) July 5 - Aug 12  
Centennial, Gleneagle, Coquitlam Open Learning  
Online Courses  
Face-to-Face Courses

For registration and contact information, please see us  
at [www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)

# SUMMER DAY CAMPS FOR 2011

Our Community School's are pleased to offer SIX - WEEK LONG Summer Day Camp Programs in July and into August. Camps will be held at the following Community Schools:

*Pitt River Poco*  
604-464-2711

*Seaview Port Moody*  
604-230-1233

Our Day Camp Leaders will plan daily/ weekly activities reflecting the following areas:

- *Recreation and Games, Arts and Crafts, some Science Activities*
  - *Field Games and outdoor Sports - weather permitting/ Park Outings*
  - *A Reading and Library program*
  - *A BBQ / fun day each week*
  - *Swimming at local pool (fees apply) form will be sent home each session/week*
  - *A weekly big screen movie with popcorn and juice*
- There may also be guest leaders with special activities or presentations*

Weekly activity schedules are still to be worked out by the Camp Leaders and they will be available at the beginning of the first day of camp. **Camp Hours are: 9 AM – 3PM. Drop off at 8:45 am Pick up by 3:15pm**

Week / Camp 1	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	–	July 8 <sup>th</sup>
Week / Camp 2	July 11 <sup>th</sup>	–	July 15 <sup>th</sup>
Week / Camp 3	July 18 <sup>th</sup>	–	July 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Week / Camp 4	July 25 <sup>th</sup>	–	July 29 <sup>th</sup>
Week / Camp 5	Aug 2 <sup>nd</sup>	–	Aug 5 <sup>th</sup>
Week / Camp 6	Aug 8 <sup>th</sup>	–	Aug 12 <sup>th</sup>

**To Register:** Forms are available at each school or download from the following websites:

[www.sd43.bc.ca/seaview](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/seaview)      [www.sd43.bc.ca/pittriver](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/pittriver)

Please complete the following form (both sides please – pages 3 & 4) and return with payment in cash or a cheque (s) payable to the **Community School office of the Summer Camp Program of your choice.** For more information contact:

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

## VOLUNTEER IN SCHOOLS

Are you thinking about volunteering in a school for the 2011-2012 school year? If so, the Coquitlam RCMP is encouraging all would-be school volunteers to start the criminal record check process as soon as possible.

Policy changes introduced last year require anyone planning to work, either professionally or in a volunteer capacity, in the "vulnerable sector" to complete an enhanced criminal record search process that may include the need to submit fingerprints in order to get the record check approved.

The vulnerable sector policy protects the safety of kids and youth by catching pardoned sex offenders who are attempting to secure volunteer or professional positions using different names. Under the policy, any applicant whose gender and birth date match those of one of the 14,000+ pardoned sex offenders in the national sex offender registry will be required to submit fingerprints, which can extend the record check process by weeks or months.

Click here to visit the Coquitlam RCMP Front Counter Services webpage and download the forms needed to start the criminal record check process.

(link: <http://www.coquitlam.rcmp.ca/ViewPage.action?siteNodeId=316&languageId=1&contentId=15415>)

Click here for more information about the vulnerable sector criminal record search policy change.

(link: <http://news.gc.ca/web/article-eng.do?m=index&nid=528419>)

## **STUDENT DOCUMENTATION**

In the past few months several schools in our District and other Districts went through a BC Ministry of Education audit. Critical student funding was lost due to incomplete student documentation. Mostly this was because the BC Ministry of Education documentation regulations have changed since students registered a year or more ago.

It is such a huge undertaking going through all of our 240 student files as we have to: identify what needs to be added to the file and then advise parents of what is needed. We have started with our grade 5 students to ensure that the middle schools that receive these files and receive them in their complete form.

We understand the inconvenience of coming into the school to provide this documentation, but ask for your cooperation with this task. If your child's file requires any documentation, we will contact you by email or by letter sent home with information on what is required. We would then ask that you bring in the requested documents as soon as possible.

# School District 43 and S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

## Jointly Present



## 동양과 서양의 양육 방

### East meets West Parenting

□ 일시: 2011년 6월 8일 (수요일) 오전

9:15 – 11:30

When: June 8, 2011 9:15 - 11:30am

□ 강사: 최현미 (상담심리 석사, 석세스 심리상담가)

Speaker: Casey Hyun Mee Choi  
(MACP, Counsellor)

□ 장소: Pinetree Secondary, (3000 Pinewood  
Avenue, COQ)

Venue: Pinetree Secondary, (3000 Pinewood Ave.  
COQ) Room: A100

□ 등록 및 문의: SUCCESS (604) 468-6100

Registration & Inquiry: SUCCESS (604) 468-6100

참가비: 무료 Cost: Free

# KidSport Tri-Cities Summer Used Sporting Goods Sale

KidSport Tri-Cities is holding their much anticipated  
Annual **Summer Used Sporting Goods Sale:**

**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 2pm**  
Coquitlam Main Arena

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 July 29<sup>th</sup> to August 12<sup>th</sup> at the following  
locations:**

Port Coquitlam Rec Centre  
Port Moody Rec Centre  
Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex  
Cyclone Taylor Sports - 562J Clarke Road  
Corner Sports - 2276 Elgin Ave. Poco

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 commu-  
nity. Please remember to also come by the sale for  
some amazing deals - Blow-out prices after 1:00pm.

This event will only be a success if we have a good  
selection of equipment, and we need the commu-  
nity's help to ensure we have that equipment.

Since 2006, thanks to the generous support of our  
sponsors and donors, KidSport Tri-Cities has helped  
over 1000 youth to participate in organized sport  
including more than 400 in 2010 alone. Our semi-  
annual used sporting goods sales are very important  
for us - putting quality used equipment in the hands  
of families and raising much needed funds to  
subsidize sport registration fees for families in need.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Chris Wilson, KidSport Tri-Cities

Phone: 604-341-0241

Email: [cwilson630@gmail.com](mailto:cwilson630@gmail.com)

[www.kidsporttricity.ca](http://www.kidsporttricity.ca)



## Summer 2011 Programs at the Arts Centre.

Port Moody Arts Centre is a non-profit Arts Centre providing quality arts programming and experiences for all ages.

We have a summer filled with amazing Arts Camps for children and youth.

Program details are listed on our *New Website!*

<http://www.pomoarts.ca>

**drop-down Classes & Workshops**  
(click to read **Summer 2011 Brochure**)

Register in person or by calling  
604-931-2008

*Thank you for making this information  
available to your staff, parents and students!*

**Many thanks!**

**Ruth Hoyem**

**Programming & Volunteer Coordinator**



**Port Moody Arts Centre**

**2425 St. Johns Street, Port Moody BC V3H 2B2**

[rhoyem@pomoarts.ca](mailto:rhoyem@pomoarts.ca) | [www.pomoarts.ca](http://www.pomoarts.ca)



## THE YOUNG ACTORS PROJECT SUMMER CAMPS

— Kids and Teens - ages 7—18

- ◆ Taught by Leo Award-winning director

— Learn acting for theatre / film

— Small classes—big fun

- ◆ Visit website for info and to register
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## SECRETS TO FATHERHOOD A PARENTING PROGRAM JUST FOR DADS

In this FREE 8-week parenting group just for fathers, you will have the opportunity to connect with other dads in the community, discuss parenting challenges, and learn more about:

- Different parenting styles
- Children's development
- How to understand and support children's feelings
- How to better manage children's behaviour
- Effective communication

**START DATE: JULY 11,2011**

**TIME: 6:30—8:30 P.M.**

**LOCATION:**

**#200—2540 SHAUGHNESSY ST.,  
PORT COQUITLAM**

**FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE  
CONTACT 604-941-7111**