### January & February 2024 Newsletter

### Whonnock Elementary

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### **Message from the Principal**:

Dear Whonnock families,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone feels refreshed and rested after the holiday season. As we kick off 2024, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Last week, we had a welcome back assembly, where we kick-started our Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser. You can view our progress and support our school at this

link: https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/44071

We are grateful for the opportunity to give back and to raise money for a worthy cause.

This month we have Kindergarten registration, and we begin to look ahead to grade 8 registrations in February. It is an exciting time as we establish familiar routines and begin to look ahead to next year.

At our January PAC meeting, I felt such a sense of community and dedication from our PAC members. We are so grateful to our PAC for their continued support of staff and students at Whonnock. It is wonderful to be part of such a vibrant and supportive community.

With gratitude,

Megan Olynyk



**Upcoming Events** 

January 8 - School Reopens

January 17 – Hot Lunch

January 24 - Non-Instructional Day

January 31 – Hot Lunch

February 7 - Hot Lunch





Valentine's Day – RED & PINK Day Jump Rope for Heart

February 19 Family Day - No School

February 20 - Non-Instructional Day

February 28 – Hot Lunch



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### **Important School News**

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** February typically bring lots of rain and a few days of snow or ice. Please make sure your child has appropriate rain gear – Boots/Jacket/Hat/Mittens. As well as a **full change of clothes at school** in case of an emergency. We are outside for both recess and lunch!



If you wake up to snow on the ground please check the district website, <u>http://www.sd42.ca/inclement-weather-procedures</u>, the district Facebook and on local news stations by 6 A.M. If you are on a bus route, the "snow bus route" would have already been sent out; it is also available on the district website.



**GRADE 8 REGISTRATION** – Registration for students going into Gr. 8 for the 2024/2025 school year is open at noon on **Tuesday, February 13, 2024 and closes 11:59 pm Tuesday, February 27, 2024.** 

Registration is on the **Parent Portal**, please be sure you can log in to your account prior to this date, if you have any updated address information, we will need 2 documents at the office <u>before</u> registration takes place to have your student's information updated.

<u>SCHOOL WEBSITE</u> – Please have a peek, we update this every week, PAC has a tab with their **new email** posted and the varying ways to connect with them, they can help keep you up to date with all the latest news also.

**LOST AND FOUND** – Reminder that it has been moved to the back set of doors by the gym, please have a peek and take what is yours before it heads to the thrift shop.

**<u>KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION</u>** – Kindergarten registration is underway; the sibling and enviro registration phases are now completed. General registration opens on JANUARY 31st.

Phase	Registration Starts (12:00 noon)	Registration Ends (11:59 pm)
Sibling	Jan 9, 2024	Jan 13, 2024
Choice	Jan 17, 2024	Jan 22, 2024
General	Jan 31, 2024	Feb 6, 2024
Late	Feb 21, 2024	July 27, 2024
Open	Aug 21, 2024	open

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#### **REGISTRATION DATES FOR WINTER 2024**

### Registration is open between Dec. 1, 2023, and Feb. 9, 2024

Online at https://ce.sd42.ca or in-person by appointment. Drop-in registration available between Jan. 19 and 26. Mon - Thurs: 2pm - 7pm | Fri: 9am - 2pm

First day of classes: Monday/Wednesday - January 29 · Tuesday/Thursday - January 30

#### High School Graduation and Upgrading Courses

Monday / Wednesday	Tuesday / Thursday	
9:00 am- 12:00 pm	9:00 am- 12:00 pm	
English Foundations 1-4	Chemistry 11	
English Studies 12	Chemistry 12	
Anatomy & Physiology 12	English Foundations 4 - 7	
Life Science 11		
6:30 pm-9:30 pm	6:30 pm-9:30 pm	
Pre-Calculus Math 11*	Chemistry 11	
Pre-Calculus Math 12 *	Chemistry 12	
Anatomy & Physiology 12	English Foundations 1-4	
Life Science 11	English Studies 12	
Composition 10 & Literary Studies 10 (English 10)	Literary Studies 11	
English Foundations 6 - 7	English Foundations 4 - 7	
	Workplace Math 11*	
*	Foundations of Math 11*	
* There may be a book deposit of \$50/\$75 for most courses of ered. Please conf rm with academic advisor.		
Classes with insuf-cient enrollment may be cancelled.		

For additional details about our course of erings, visit https://ce.sd42.ca. Email questions to ce@sd42.ca.

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#### **Register in person at Riverside Centre** 20575 Thome Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC

(2 blocks south of Lougheed Hwy between 203rd & 207th)

T 604.466.6555 ext. 6 · F 604.463.5437

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### **Education Assistant Program at Ridge Meadows College**

If you or someone you know may be interested in a career working with children and youth with diverse abilities, Ridge Meadows College (operated by SD42) still has seats available for the January cohort of its Education Assistant (EA) program. Courses take place Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings and occasionally during the day on Saturdays. If you'd like to learn more about the program, you can visit the website

at <u>https://rmcollege.sd42.ca/program/education-assistant/</u>. The demand for this job is high as the province faces a shortage of EAs and virtually all graduates of the program move on to work in school districts across B.C., including Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows SD42.

### **Charitable Donations**

School District 42 is a registered charitable organization and provides the communities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows with an opportunity to fund local school priorities. It is structured to support both district-wide and schoolbased fundraising efforts. Donations of \$25 or more received from individuals or organizations other than charitable organizations are eligible to receive an official donation receipt for income tax purposes.

As a registered charitable organization, the school district can accept donations towards specific programs and projects; the district cannot accept donations that are directed to specific individuals.

If you would like to make a donation, please complete and submit the following form: <u>https://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/Donation-Form-Fillable.pdf</u>

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### WHO ARE SCOUTS?

Scouts are youth aged 11-14 who are learning to blaze their own trail, jumping into more leadership opportunities by planning adventures and giving back to their community in meaningful ways. Scouts can take their outdoor adventure skills to the next level with activities like mountain biking, rock climbing and lots of camping, and explore memorable opportunities like national or international jamborees. Through Scouts, youth discover their unique capabilities and personal progression as they discover the world through Scouting.

A Scout Section is called a "Troop" and youth within a Troop are organized into smaller teams called "Patrols". As a Scout you are taking a stronger role in the types of adventures your Troop is undertaking and you're learning more advanced skills. The motto for Scouts is: Be Prepared.

### WHAT DO SCOUTS DO?

We should ask, what don't Scouts do? The Scouting Method of learning by doing continues as Scouts take on more challenging adventures. Scouts may be partaking in multi-day camping excursions, completing their axe and saw permit or learning more advanced first aid to help others in a time of need. In Scouts youth will paddle across lakes, build their own campfires and understand the importance of Leave-No-Trace.

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Community service is another important part of being a Scout. Whether it's stepping up to assist during a time of crisis in the community or simply by helping an elderly neighbour, Scouts instills a sense of civic pride and responsibility.

# Join Scouts Canada on the adventure of a lifetime!

Scouts builds leaders, enabling youth to lead their own path toward outdoor adventure and fun. Through Youth-led programming, youth discover the best in themselves taking on new challenges and experience new things they wouldn't elsewhere. Along the way, they develop into well-rounded youth better prepared for success in the world.

### Spaces available January 2024 with 1st Albion Scout Troop

We meet Wednesday evenings in the Albion area:

### https://www.myscouts.ca/ca/join



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The Circle of Security Parenting Program is an opportunity to explore the importance of parent/caregiver and child attachment, gather helpful tools to respond to your child's emotional needs and feel more confident about your parenting.

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Date: Jan 30- Feb 23 (Tues/Fri) Time: 12-2pm Cost: Free



To register, please visit our website familyed.bc.ca ,call reception at 604-476-6055 or email reg@familyed.ca

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Offered in partnership by RPM Hockey Company, SRT Secondary & School District 42





### **NEW PARENT - ZOOM MEETING** February 1 2024 at 7:00 pm

Meeting ID: 847 9035 4730

Passcode: 335751

#### CHARACTER • INTEGRITY • TRADITION

### **ABOUT THE ACADEMY**

This program is available for students in grades 8 to 12.

RPM & SRT Secondary (Maple Ridge) have developed a program & curriculum that provides students with the opportunity to balance their educational requirements while developing their hockey skills.

RPM provides personalized instruction that educates and develops students in both the physical and mental aspects required to excel in hockey. The school and RPM, in consultation with students and parents, help design a personalized teaching plan catered to meet each player's individual needs. Students are tested both on and off the ice monitoring their individual improvements



#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

Academy Format -Linear - September to June

A typical week for all of our Academy players includes:

- 2 hours on ice
  - Mondays Power Skating
  - Wednesdays Puck Skills, Individual & Team Tactical, Game Play
- I-hour off ice
  - Fridays Sport-Specific Conditioning Special Events/Classroom Sessions

Sport Specific Conditioning utilizes a variety of training devices and techniques and may also include out trips.

Theory instruction provides players with skill breakdowns, progressions, individual and team tactics, practice planning, proper nutrition, strategies for highlevel performance, and motivation and goal setting.

#### SRT Secondary - Maple Ridge - Grades 8-12 - February 1, 2024 @ 7pm

**Topic: SRT New Parent Meeting** 

Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84790354730?pwd=durbDFmlbQXhtmZ9vM0S9aYgVa9zdL.1

Meeting ID: 847 9035 4730 Passcode: 335751

SRT Academy Brochure 2024



### ADEMY

The total price for the academy is \$1,920. Please note a \$192 deposit is required at the time of registering the actual cost of the Hockey Academy is \$1920 (-\$192 Deposit) As a convenience to parents RPM will accept a payment plan of \$192 per month Sept 1-May 1).

Once you have registered online at www.rpmhockey.com, you must also notify the school that you would like to participate in the program.

### ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

- Academy Ministry Approved
- Bantam & Midget Players Work Experience (grade 8-12) Obtain Academic Credits
- On Ice Development
- Off-Ice Conditioning Tactical/Game Play
- Performance Testing
- **Educational Special** Events
- Offered inside the normal school timetable
- Students can play minor hockey & school sports
  - Professional/Certified Instruction

**REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 2, 2024 @ 8:30AM REGISTER AT WWW.RPMHOCKEY.COM** 

### **CONTACT US**

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### PITT MEADOWS HOCKEY ACADEMY

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### **NEW PARENT - ZOOM MEETING**

January 30 2024 at 7:00 pm Meeting ID: 889 4559 0969 Passcode: 902307

#### CHARACTER • INTEGRITY • TRADITION

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#### PMSS Secondary - Pitt Meadows - Grades 8-12 - January 30. 2024 @ 7pm

**Topic: Pitt Meadows New Parent Meeting** 

Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88945590969?pwd=ODfqRL75bDg5L2sgeiO7IC2XM5Fxah.1

Meeting ID: 889 4559 0969 Passcode: 902307

**Pitt Meadows Brochure 2024** 





### ACADEMY COST

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- 1st year Bantam & Midget Players (grade
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- On Ice Development
- Off-Ice Conditioning
- Tactical/Game Play
- Performance Testing

• Educational Special Events Work Experience

- Offered inside the
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- hockey & school sports Professional/Certified Instruction

**REGISTRATION OPENS JAN 31, 2024 @ 8:30AM REGISTER AT WWW.RPMHOCKEY.COM** 

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### First Aid Pro

### Stay Safe for Youth Babysitter Training

### Stay Safe for Youth (Ages 9-13)

Location: Maple Ridge Elementary Date: Wednesday, January 24th, 2024 Time: 9:30am - 1:30pm Cost: \$62.99

### Red Cross Babysitting (Ages 11-13)

Location: Maple Ridge Elementary Date: Tuesday, February 20th, 2024 Time: 9:30am - 4:30pm Cost: \$73.49

### register at: SD42 Perfectmind.com

For more information: Hannah Macdonald, 604.837.2384 or <u>hannah\_macdonaldesd42.ca</u>.





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### Free Winter Program for Families!

Learn about healthy eating, physical activity, and building long-lasting habits as a family in Generation Health. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is FUN and interactive!

Delivered through YMCA BC starting February 2024 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings.

Families who join this program will receive a complimentary YMCA membership.

Register today!



gv.ymca.ca/generation-health generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca



Childhood Healthy Living Foundation





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# ANGER MONSTER

### CHILD'S PROGRAM

This children's program is designed to teach children what anger is. This program is designed to allow participants to be able to identify their triggers and learn tools to help control their anger.

### **ADULT'S PROGRAM**

The parents program features skills from Neufeld Institute, including various anger cycles and goals of behavior. Participants will also learn how to help support their child's efforts to tame their anger, along with different calming techniques.

### AGE: 8-12YRS OLD DATE: FEB 3 - MAR 9 (SATURDAYS) TIME: 3:30-5:30PM PRICE: \$90

(BASED ON A REGISTRATION FOR ONE ADULT AND ONE CHILD)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT The Family Education & Support Centre 22554 Lougheed Hwy, Maple Ridge (604) 467 - 6055 or reg@familyed.ca R SUPPORT CEL

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Gealthy Relationships

Do you want to learn the basic fundamentals of any adult relationship including learning about needs, wants, and new communication skills? If so, the healthy relationships course is for you!

> Feb 4 & 11 9am-3pm \$90

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE C THE FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT 22554 LOUGHEED HWY, MAPLE R (604) 467 - 6055 REG@FAMILYED.CA



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## FINDING SELF CARE CHALLENGING?

NEED HELP MAKING CHANGES?

Join us for a free 8-week program: Mental Wellness for Parents

Date: Jan 31st- March 20th 2024 (Wednesdays) Time: 1130am-130pm Cost: Free Childminding available for children under 6 years.

For more information or to register, please contact Sheena at 604-467-6055 or s.sharp@familyed.ca

The Family Education and Support Centre 22554 Lougheed Hwy Maple <u>Ridge</u>





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