

Bulletin Update

Skwo:wech PAC Meeting – Thursday, April 25th 7:00pm

- In person meeting
- More information to come

Non-Instructional Day – Friday, April 26th

- No school for students

Skwo:wech PAC Movie Night – Friday, May 3

- Skwo:wech gym 6:30pm

PAC Fun Lunch – Thursday, May 16th

- Woomi Sushi and Booster Juice

Moving to a new school next year

- If anyone is already aware that their child will not be returning to Skwo:wech Elementary in September 2023 for kindergarten through Grade 5 due to moving or other reasons, please let the office know as soon as possible at skwowech@sd40.bc.ca

Grade 5 Leaving Celebration

- Please circle June 20th for our school leaving celebration. Our theme this year is SURF's UP! Students are encouraged to wear relaxed, beach or summer wear. We will begin our celebration at 1:15. More information to follow regarding further details and ticketing.

Preparing for Next Year 2024-2025

- Very soon our staff will be working together to plan class placements for next year. As a staff team we carefully and thoughtfully consider many factors in determining the organization of our classes. Some of these factors include: learning styles, social and emotional considerations, learning support needs, students' strengths and needs, leadership skills and class size. As educators, this is a process that is taken very seriously and is one which we value. We work carefully to balance the needs of individual students as well as the needs of the class as a whole. Parents are often able to provide the school with information that can assist in the placement of students. If you feel you have information of a nature that will be helpful related to your child's academic, social/emotional or physical needs, **please send a note summarizing these details to the office email between April 29th – May 22nd.**
- Send your message to skwowech@sd40.bc.ca and **indicate in the subject line "Classroom Placement"**
- It is requested, to respect fairness and equity that parents/guardians not ask for a specific teacher or class.

Dear Families,

A huge shout out of appreciation for the many parents, students and staff who worked together to make our Family Charter event such an amazing success!! We had approximately **190** family members attend. Our gym was transformed by the lovely volunteers from Mr. Stevens' class and the many hands of our amazing EAs who created a beautiful mood meter ambiance in the gym. Our student leaders were delightful, greeting our families and helping with the Charter work. Olivia C from div 9, shared her musical talents and opened our event with lovely, calming music. A very big thank you to Ms. Simpson, Ms. Vahra, Ms. Hayashi and Mr. Walter for all of your hard work last evening, you truly made our event a memorable experience for everyone attending. A big thank you to our PAC for your generous support of the event. A big thank you to all of the families who brought lovely treats to share with everyone. Our parents and students enjoyed laughs together, students switching places and becoming teachers to their parents. We hope that you find your Charter useful and we look forward to sharing additional tools with you in the future.

Mrs. Chad and Mr. Elves





Division 17 learned about symmetry when creating these watercolour Spring butterflies.



KERNELS POPCORN TREAT DAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 25
AFTER SCHOOL IN THE COURTYARD

\$3



Available flavours:
Butter salt, caramel, ketchup,
white cheddar, salt & vinegar

All proceeds will go to the Skwo:wech PAC

SKWO:WECH PAC PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT



FRIDAY MAY 3 | 6:30 PM | SKWO:WECH GYM

SUPER MARIO BROS.

FREE ADMISSION

PAID CONCESSION | LITTLE OOTIES MINI DONUT TRUCK

IT'S A COZY MOVIE NIGHT! FEEL FREE TO BRING A PILLOW,
BLANKET, STUFFIE, AND WEAR YOUR JAMMIES!

WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS! EMAIL US AT SKWOWEHPAC@GMAIL.COM

Skwo:wech PAC presents

STAY SAFE



The Skwo:wech PAC is excited to present "Staying Safe Home Alone", a workshop operated by First Aid Hero (a Canadian Red Cross Trainer Partner)

- WHAT:** \$65 for a 6-hour workshop aimed at teaching kids the basics of staying safe when home alone
- WHEN:** Friday, April 26 (Non-Instructional Day) - 9am to 3pm
- WHERE:** Skwo:wech Elementary
- WHO:** 9 years old+ (Grades 4 & 5)

Content includes:

- Basic first aid skills such as wound care, choking, and calling 9-1-1
- How to stay safe at home and within the community
- How to prepare for, recognize, and respond to unexpected situations
- Other safety skills to empower and enhance self-confidence

Important

There is a maximum of 30 spots for this workshop.

Registration is first come, first served with confirmed payment. Please fill out the pre-registration form to express your interest by April 19. The first 30 registrants will receive confirmation of registration and a request for payment. If this workshop is popular, we will run another one in the future.

To pre-register, go to: www.tinyurl.com/skwowechhomealone24

Questions? Email skwowechpac@gmail.com
For more info about First Aid Hero, go to: www.firstaidhero.com

elmacon



Join us on **Saturday, May 4, 2024**
At the University of British Columbia

ELMACON is Vancouver's **elementary math contest** for grades 5 - 7, which gives students the opportunity to experience math as an **exciting sport!** Prizes include: electronics, gadgets, games, and more!

For registration and more details visit <https://elmacon.org>.
Questions? elmacon@pims.math.ca or (604) 822-3922

Deadline: April 14, 2024

Fee: \$30

Location: UBC Earth Sciences Building, 2207 Main Mall, Vancouver

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ELMACON is funded and run by



SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS is back!

| Join the fun and get ready to **CREATE!** on **May 11, 2024**. Science Rendezvous is a **FREE** destival that takes science, technology engineering, art, and math (**STEAM**) research and innovation out of the lab and onto the street.

Visit the Science Rendezvous UBC website at
https://www.sciencerendezvous.ca/event_sites/ubc/

Location: UBC Beaty Biodiversity Museum + Multiple sites on campus.

MAY



Community School Programs at Skwo:wech!

The Power of Drawing (Grades 1 - 5)

Young Rembrandts teaches drawing, the fundamental skill of all visual arts to children. Your child will develop drawing and art skills, expand their creativity, imagination and confidence.

Library

Mondays, 3:00 - 4:15pm

Date: May 6 - Jun 17 (6 sessions)

No class on May 20

Registration Fee: \$97.50

To register, please visit: www.youngrembrandts.com/metrovancouver/

Fearless FitKidz (Grades 3 - 5)

Fearless FitKidz presents fun and exciting track and field activities in a healthy and encouraging atmosphere.

Gym

Thursdays, 3:00 - 4:30pm

Date: May 16 - Jun 20

Registration Fee: \$25.00

To register, please visit: <https://app.univerusrec.com/sd40pub/>

Musical Theatre (Grades 3 - 5)

Sing, dance, and act, and expand your fundamental musical theatre skills. Includes basic singing, dancing, acting, and games. Increase your artistic skills, and end in a collaborative mini performance.

Music Room

Wednesdays, 3:00 - 4:30pm

Date: May 1 - Jun 5 (6 sessions)

Registration Fee: \$83.25

To register, please visit: [City of New Westminster Parks and Recreation registration site](#)

Have questions?

Contact Community Schools

Phone: 604-517-6291

E-mail: communityschools@sd40.bc.ca

Fuel Up! School Lunch Program

April and May menu is now available online

- Orders must be placed two business days before delivery. For example, for Monday's lunch you must order by Wednesday.
- If your child will be away from school and you did not cancel their lunch in time, please advise the office if you would like to arrange to pick up the lunch or if the school may donate the lunch to another child who might have forgotten their lunch.
- If your child is away from school, you must cancel two days before their hot lunch delivery and email The Lunch Lady at new.westminster@thelunchlady.ca

<https://newwestschools.ca/programs-services/fuel-up/overview/>

Do you need to connect with your child's teacher?
Please see contact information below:

- Mrs. Sharp – Div. 1
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- Mrs. Gibson – Div. 2
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- Mrs. Bhatti – Div. 3
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- Mr. Stevens – Div. 4
mastevens@sd40.bc.ca
- Ms. Hikida – Div. 5MO
khikida@sd40.bc.ca
- Mr. Bamford – Div. 6
rbamford@sd40.bc.ca
- Mr. Wong – Div. 7MO
ddwong@sd40.bc.ca

- Mrs. MacLeod – Div. 8
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- Ms. Lee – Div. 9
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- Ms. Lacey – Div. 10
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