

# *Skwo:wech Stream*

**November 22, 2024**

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## ***Important Dates***

### **PAC Meeting – Wednesday, Nov 27 CHANGED**

- In-person meeting 7pm

### **Community Family Reading – Friday, Nov 29**

- 8:50am – 9:20am - you are welcome to join your child in the morning for family reading

### **PAC Purdy’s Chocolates Fundraiser Closes – Saturday, Nov 30**

- <https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx>
- Type **21458** in the search bar to find our school

### **Report Cards - Friday, Dec 13**

## ***Updates***

### **Parking and Safety at the end of Archer Street**

- Please help us by *not parking* at the end of Archer Street where it becomes the school parking lot entrance.
- This space is to be kept free of vehicles for pedestrian safety and access.

### **Kindergarten & New Student Registration for 2025-2026 is Open!**

- <https://newwestschools.ca/our-schools/registration/registration-information-forms/>
- Kindergarten Registration opens for students born in 2020
- All registrations are taken by Central Registration at the Welcome Centre at New Westminster Secondary School. Please see below for more details.

### **Library Open Mondays for Families 3:00 - 3:30**

- Every Monday afternoon in the library at 3:00-3:30pm, we have an open invitation to all families to come hang out, read, craft or play board games with Ms. Su, Ms. Sigur, Ms. Ryan, Ms. Hayashi, and Ms. Vahra (Librarian, ELL and Resource Teachers).
- Meant for families to connect with others and our non-enrolling staff

### **FuelUp! School Lunch Program**

- ***December menu*** is now open for families to order
- Orders must be submitted at least 2 business days in advance. Info: <https://newwestschools.ca/programs-services/fuel-up/overview/>
- If you require help with ordering, subsidies or feedback, please email [Fuelup@sd40.bc.ca](mailto:Fuelup@sd40.bc.ca)

## Running Club

A big thank you to Mr. Wong, Mrs. Whyte, Ms. Stewart, Ms. Hikida, Mr. Stevens and Ms. Stephanie for organizing the club this year! Our students built their running endurance and most importantly had a lot of fun!



We are always excited to welcome new families to the District. Here are the things you need to know to ensure your student is enrolled with the best placement to support their needs.

#### Key dates for regular registration:

	In-catchment applications	Transfer requests & Out-of-district applications
<b>Regular registration opens</b>	November 4, 2024	February 3, 2025
<b>Regular registration closes</b>	January 31, 2025	February 28, 2025
<b>Placement offers</b>	March 28, 2025	June 13, 2025

*Please note: our District is facing significant capacity challenges, due to growing enrollment. Decisions about the 2025–26 school year are based on enrollment demands identified within the regular registration window. Enrollment applications received outside of this window will be placed within the district but may not be possible at the catchment or preferred school requested, as some schools may be deemed as being at full capacity at certain grades, or in some limited cases, for the full school. All placements follow the rules outlined in [Administrative Procedure 300](#).*

Questions can be sent to: [registrations@sd40.bc.ca](mailto:registrations@sd40.bc.ca)

#### How to enrol:

Our Central Registration team works out of the Welcome Centre (south side of New Westminster Secondary School, via the external entrance). Information on documents required, process, how to book an appointment and more can be found on our website: <https://newwestschools.ca/our-schools/registration/registration-information-forms/>

#### Programs of Choice:

Applications for our Programs of Choice are accepted from 9:00am Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> to 4:00pm on Friday February 7<sup>th</sup>, via links that will be posted on the District website. Parent information sessions are hosted in early January. **Students applying for a Program of Choice must first be enrolled at their regular catchment school, following the above process.**

Program	Grade of intake	Location(s)
Early French Immersion	Kindergarten or Grade 1	Herbert Spencer, Qayqayt and Lord Tweedsmuir elementary schools
Late French Immersion	Grade 6	Glenbrook Middle
French Immersion	Grade 9	New Westminster Secondary
Montessori	Kindergarten to Grade 5	Skwo:wech and Connaught Heights elementary schools
Home Learners Program	Kindergarten to Grade 8	Hume Park Learning Centre

Questions can be sent to: [programsofchoice@sd40.bc.ca](mailto:programsofchoice@sd40.bc.ca)

All forms, Administrative Procedures, and information about capacity status can be found on our website.

# Ndub Movie Night!



Sing-  
Along!

Thursday, November 28th  
@ 4:00pm in the NWSS theatre  
Entry by **cash** donation

The "Next Right Thing" is to help support NWSS students step "Into the Unknown" and experience New York this spring break! Don't get "Lost in the Woods" and come "Show Yourself" and sing along to your favourite Frozen 2 winter tunes! There will be concession snacks available for cash purchase as well! Costumes are encouraged!



## Supporting a Cause Never Tasted So Good!

Buy your favourite chocolates to support



Go to [fundraising.purdys.com](https://fundraising.purdys.com) or Scan QR →



Enter customer #  to shop & support.

Place your order by

Contact  at

for more details.

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# Hello from the Skwo:wech PAC



## THE PURPOSE OF THE PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

- Builds community at our school
- Advocates for our students and families
- Works with school staff to see where we can support
- Organizes fun events
- Runs fundraisers to raise money to do all of the above!



## WHO CAN JOIN?

Every parent or legal guardian of a Skwo:wech student is a member of the PAC. You're welcome to attend our meetings and get involved in any way you like!



## HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

- Join us at our monthly meetings
- Attend our Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- Volunteer as a member of our Exec
- Volunteer for events or fundraisers
- Support our fundraisers
- Follow us on Facebook or Instagram

## CONNECT WITH US



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## WHY FUNDRAISE?

Fundraising helps to ensure there are adequate funds to support school goals and provide equal opportunity for our students. This includes helping to offset the costs of extra classroom supplies, extracurricular activities, and much more.



## WHERE DOES THE \$ GO?

