

Berkshire Park PAC

*Making Your School
the Best Place to
Learn and Grow*



*Wishing you all a great
2020-2021 School Year!*

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2020 - 2021*

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Join our **PAC Community** to stay connected. Simply search for "**Berkshire Park PAC**" to find our private group.

Questions or comments?

Please email the PAC at BerkshireParkPAC@outlook.com

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

Thank you to all the parents who continue to encourage their children to practice their Covid safety on the way to school and at school. We are all in this together and need to do our part. If you are comfortable, please encourage your child(ren) to wear their masks in the classroom during the day.

Thank you to all who have participated already in the 'fun'draisers we have set up so far.

LAST FUN DAY OF 2020 (orders Due Dec 8th)! Just because we can't have Hot Lunch, doesn't mean we can't have FUN! Order 'Fun Day' snacks for your child Dec 18th (the last day before winter break) (order via Munch-a-lunch) ****Life hack: order extra to be brought home 😊**

Red Cross Stay Safe (home alone) & Babysitting courses 3-question survey: The PAC needs your input on which of these Red Cross courses to offer in February. Please take our 1-minute, 3-question survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LRFFTWC>

Scholastic Book Fair: Experience all the Book Fair fun you are used to, now ONLINE! Shop with your children from the comfort of your own home, and get it Shipped to your Home! Our Book Store is available here: <https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5153455>

Purdy's & DFS orders READY FOR PICKUP: Understanding many of these purchases are likely gifts, we have not sent these home with your children. If you haven't received your Purdy's or DFS order yet, please email us at BerkshireParkPAC@outlook.com so we can arrange a time to hand over to you, or let us know if you prefer it to go home with your child.

Spirit Wear: Ordering for Spirit Wear will be available Dec 1st to 8th on Munch-a-Lunch. (A *How to order step-by-step* is provided at the bottom of this newsletter. Teachers, friends, and family can also register their own accounts to place orders for any Munch fundraiser!)

Community Events Facebook Page: Our Community Events page makes it easy to share our fundraising links with your family and friends. 'Like' and 'share', so family and friends can be a part of our fundraisers too! Link: <https://www.facebook.com/berkshirparkevents/>

Private Parents Facebook Group: Join us on Facebook for immediate updates & reminders on fundraisers, meetings, our parent community conversations. (*Simply search 'Berkshire Park PAC' in your Facebook, and answer the member questions to ensure group safety*).

Important Dates:

- ✓ Scholastic Online Book Fair – Orders Due (online) THIS FRIDAY December 4th
- ✓ 'Fun Day' Purdy's and Kernels – orders due Dec 8th* (FunDay is Dec 18th)
- ✓ Spirit Wear – orders due Dec 8th
- ✓ Clothing Drive – Donation drop offs January 5th to January 12th
- ✓ PAC Meeting via Zoom – Feb 18th at 7pm

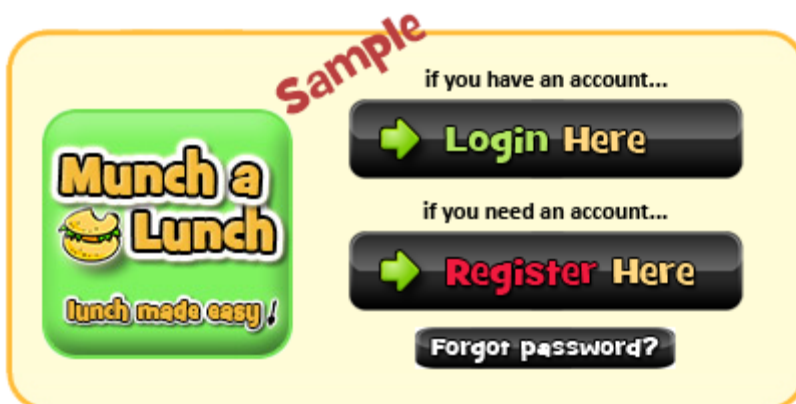
Important Information Regarding Fundraising:

Please note that all funds raised from PAC fundraising pays for school activities including, but not limited to: new books for the library, new technology, fine arts programs, author visits, school performances, lessons such as the dance classes, gymnastics, yoga, etc. Without your help and fundraising dollars these events would not happen because the government does not subsidize them. Therefore, fundraising is especially important to our school. Thank you for continued support!

Munch a Lunch makes fundraisers and payments easy...in just 4 simple steps!

HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: munchalunch.com/schools/BerkshirePark
- 2) Click the “**Register Here**” button (as shown below). The system will guide you through each step
- 3) After adding your child(ren), click the green “Order Lunch!” button on the main menu header, or any of the other fundraising options when available for order, such as Milk Program, Movie day, Spirit Wear, etc.
- 4) Next time, just click the “**Login Here**” button to access your account.



Want to order ‘Hot Lunch’ and ‘Fundraising’ items on the same order?

Simply add your first option(s) to cart, then *before checking out*, go to the other menu and add those to cart. If you have any questions, please reach out to us by email at BerkshireParkPAC@outlook.com.

Our thanks to the Berkshire Park parent community for supporting the fundraisers and to our wonderful volunteers who help make our programs a success! We appreciate your support within the school for all our children to have their best possible school experience!



FAQs

- **How does a family place an order?**
 - Each family creates a MunchaLunch family account by entering their email address and a password, adding children to their account, and then placing their order.
- **What if a parent forgets their password?**
 - They can easily retrieve their password by clicking forgot password the Login page. It will be sent to the family account email address in less than 1 minute.
- **Is there anything special needed to access MunchaLunch?**
 - Munch is a web-based program so all you need is a modern browser and access to the internet!
- **How do parents order for more than one child?**
 - Easy. Once they have created the order for their first child they simply select "choose another child" and Munch will take them back to the beginning of the order system.
- **Are payments made separately or by lump-sum?**
 - Orders are placed separately for each child but the 'payment due' is presented as a lump-sum.
- **Can orders be paid by credit card?**
 - Yes, the MunchaLunch system works with Stripe as the merchant services provider. It's fast, easy, and secure.
- **How do parents get a copy of their order?**
 - The MunchaLunch system sends an automated email which includes a copy of the order. Parents can also login to their account anytime and re-print their order/s.
- **How do parents keep track of what they ordered for their kids?**
 - In addition to being able to re-print their order (as described above) parents will ALSO receive an automated email lunch reminder, the day before each lunch day! This reminder lists their child's specific food items ordered.
- **Is information stored in MunchaLunch secure?**
 - Yes. Our site uses fully encrypted secured internet protocols (SSL) which is the same technology used by large corporations and banks. The data is housed in a secured datacenter and information is never shared with any 3rd party.