

PAC Newsletter • February 2018

École Peace Arch Elementary PAC

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PAC Facebook: www.facebook.com/peacearchelementarypac

Kindergarten Parents!

Did you know ...?



- ♥ Kindergarten students are included in Round 3 of our Hot Lunch program. Order and pay through our website March 1-16th, for lunches delivered weekly from April 6th until the end of June 2018.
- Our 8th Annual Spring Fling Family Carnival is just around the corner, and we need lots of parent involvement to make it a success! The Spring Fling is one of our 3 main fundraisers, and features carnivalstyle games & activities; food trucks, hotdogs, & snacks galore; a Silent Auction; a Wine Pull for adults; beautiful themed Raffle Baskets with items contributed by each Grade; a Cake Walk; and much more! See page 3 to find out how you can help.
- PAC meetings are a great way to get involved in your child's school experience, and get the inside scoop on what's happening at Peace Arch! Our average meeting attendance is only 12 parents out of more than 300 families, and many of these are moving on to high school in the next year or two. **We need more parents** to get involved and participate in the PAC.

Here's what we do:

- ✓ Hold 7 PAC meetings throughout the school year.
- ✓ Organize 3 main fundraisers: Annual Fundraising Campaign, Hot Lunch Program, and the Spring Fling (April).
- ✓ Decide how/where to allocate funds to our school (i.e. gym equipment, school musical, emergency preparedness, programs like Zumba and yoga, team jerseys, iPads, etc.)
- ✓ Organize school community events such as the Welcome Back Coffee (Sept), Snowball Family Dance (Dec), and Staff Appreciation Luncheon (June).

Please join our next meeting on Wednesday, February 21st, 6:30pm in the school library. Everyone welcome, snacks and coffee/tea provided!

~ Your PAC Executive Team: Erin H., Elizabeth M., Laura C., & Kristen F.

Important Dates

Wednesday, Feb 21st, 6:30pm **PAC Meeting in Library**

Thursday, Feb 22nd, 6-7pm 'Parenting for Connection' presentation in Library

Wednesday, February 28th Pink Shirt Day

Thurs, March 1 - Fri, March 16 Round 3 Hot Lunch Ordering, including Kindergarten students

Sat, March 17 – Mon, April 2 Spring Break - No School

Wednesday, April 18th, 6:30pm **PAC Meeting in Library**

Friday, April 27th, 5:00-8:00pm Spring Fling Carnival @ P.Arch!

Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed!

Parent volunteers needed weekly for Hot Lunch distribution, 11:55am-12:30pm



Feb 23; March 2, 9, 16

Please sign up here:

Volunteersignup.org/PA7AC



Thank You!

Big shout-out to our trusty Hot Lunch parent volunteers, many of whom help out every week to deliver Hot Lunch to classrooms.

We SO appreciate you, and your contribution to this important PAC fundraiser for our school!



February PAC Meeting

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 6:30 pm, Library

AGENDA ITEMS

Welcome	Erin	6:30-6:35
Principal Report	Carol	6:35-6:55
Treasury Report	Laura	6:55-7:00
DPAC	Erin	7:00-7:10
Playground Update	Sean	7:10-7:30
Spring Fling	Erin	7:30-7:45
Carol Todd Parent Presentation	Erin	7:45-7:50
Other Business	All	7:50-8:00

PARENT PRESENTATIONS

"Overcoming Anger with Affection"

Learn why anger will be your new best friend and how to use it to find peace & connection with your kids and yourself.

Join Peaceful Parent Coach, Robbin McManne for this FREE presentation on Thursday, February 22, 2018 6 pm to 7 pm In the school Library





www.parentingforconnection.com/events



District PAC (surreyDPAC.ca)

- □ Next DPAC Meeting: Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2017, 7:00-9:00pm
 - ✓ District Education Centre 14033 92 Ave., Rm. 2020. Registration 6:45pm. Light Refreshments.
 - ✓ TOPIC: Internet Safety
 - ✓ Presentation by Internet & Social Media Safety Educator Jesse Miller
 - ✓ Everyone welcome!



Our 8th Annual Spring Fling Family Carnival is only 2 months away, and it's time to collect donations for our popular Silent Auction.

Here's a timeline of what's needed to prepare for this fun-filled school tradition, and ways you can get involved and help!

NOW: Silent Auction items: acquire donated items, gift baskets/cards from businesses, community groups, local stores & restaurants, etc. Donation letter is attached with this newsletter, available on our website (peacearch.hotlunches.net), or contact us for a copy (PeaceArchPACNews@gmail.com). Donations can be dropped off at the school office, or email us to arrange pick-up.

SOON: Info to come on **Wine Pull** and **Raffle Baskets** donations (each Grade will be asked to donate items for a specifically themed Raffle Basket, such as Gardening, Games Night, Beach Fun, Wine & Dine, Movie Night, Crafter's Delight, etc.). Wine donations for the Wine Pull are accepted any time at the school office.

WEEK OF: Parent volunteers to help assemble Raffle Baskets; assemble candy bags & prizes; help with Silent Auction prep; make cakes/cupcakes for Cake Walk.

DAY OF: Drop off cake/cupcake donations at the office.

Parent volunteers to run games, concessions, tickets, prizes, etc., plus Set up and Clean up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Stay tuned for more info and an online volunteer sign-up sheet. Thank you for your support!



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Peace Arch Elementary School Website: www.surreyschools.ca/schools/peacea Sign up to receive email communication directly from the school. Calendar of events, school newsletters, school supply lists, parent resources, school info, etc.



Peace Arch Elementary on Facebook: www.facebook.com/peacearchschool
Follow Peace Arch Elementary for updates on student learning, Ravens sports teams, school closures, school community events, etc.



Surrey SchoolLink App (for Apple or Android)

The official Surrey School District mobile app provides news, announcements, alerts, school closure reminders, urgent notifications, contact information, & featured stories from the District & schools you choose. Follow as many schools as you like.



Surrey School District Website: www.surreyschools.ca

A wealth of information including school calendars up to and including the 2018/2019 school year, new curriculum updates, free online tutoring, & much more.

Peace Arch Parent Advisory Council (PAC):



Peace Arch PAC Website: www.peacearch.hotlunches.net/

Don't be fooled by the site name... this is our general PAC website as well as our Hot Lunch headquarters! Register to receive PAC newsletters, meeting minutes, and updates on events, fundraising, and volunteer opportunities!



Peace Arch PAC Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/peacearchelementarypac Administered by Peace Arch PAC parent volunteers. Follow us on Facebook for updates on PAC fundraising initiatives, Hot Lunch, Snowball Dance, Spring Fling, Staff Appreciation Luncheon, volunteer call outs, PAC meetings, etc.