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Just like that it's February, and we're already halfway through the school year! This term brings new fundraising initiatives, the continuation of Hot Lunch, PAC-funded programs and outdoor learning gear for our kids, and optimism for a return to more traditional PAC events this Spring. As we continue to raise money for new classroom iPads, technology upgrades, and a new sound system for the gym, we're rolling out our Splashes! & Boston Pizza fundraisers, along with our Annual Donations Drive. Please see our Donations Drive letter for how to make a donation online, by cheque, or by eTransfer (new this year!).

Did you know ...?

- Our PAC runs an annual budget of around \$35,000, committed to programs, supplies, events, and equipment for the school and our kids.
- ♥ Hot Lunch Round 3 opens soon: Order and pay through our website March 1-11th, for lunches delivered weekly April – June.
- While we don't anticipate holding our traditional Spring Fling this year, we're hoping to run a spring-time event for the kids (similar to the new Winter Raven Fun Fair we held in Dec). Ideas? Want to help? Please get in touch!
- 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! It is truly a privilege to be able to volunteer, and to support our children and their educators in learning and play. As many of our current PAC volunteers "graduate" on to high school next year, we need more parents to get involved and keep our PAC going strong. Here's what we do:
 - ✓ Hold 7 PAC meetings throughout the school year.
 - ✓ Organize fundraisers: Hot Lunch Program, Annual Donations Drive, Restaurant Nights, Neufeld Farms Frozen Foods, Splashes, etc.
 - ✓ Decide where to allocate funds (i.e. tech, iPads, gym equip., school musical, emergency prep., Zumba/yoga/tennis, team jerseys, etc.)
 - ✓ Organize school community events like Welcome Back Coffee (Sept), Snowball Family Dance / Fun Fair (Dec), Spring Fling (Apr), Staff Appreciation Lunch (June), Sports Day Watermelon Station (June), etc.

Get involved in the school community and join us at our next PAC meeting Tues., Feb. 15, 7pm via Zoom. Agenda: Fundraising update, Hot Lunch R3, ArtCards fundraiser, Saleema Noon Body Science in April, Emergency Prep. update, possible Spring event for students. *Everyone welcome!*

~ Your PAC Executive Team: Kirsten Y., Amy C., Tana J., Luana R.

IMPORTANT DATES

February 2022

Splashes! Fundraiser runs all month

Tuesday, February 1

Lunar New Year

Friday, February 4

Spirit Day – Tropical Theme

Mon., Feb. 7 – Sun., Feb 13

KudoBoard Valentine's Project for

PAE Teachers & Staff (details to come)

Friday, February 11

Deadline to apply for **Surrey**

Schools Choice Programs (French Imm., Fine Arts, Montessori, etc.)

Monday, February 14

Valentine's Day

Tuesday, February 15, 7:00PM

PAC Meeting via Zoom

Monday, February 21

Family Day - No School

Wednesday, February 23

Pink Shirt Day

Wed., Feb. 23 - Thurs., Feb. 24

Boston Pizza Fundraiser

Friday, February 25

Non-Instructional Day – No School

March 1 – 11

Hot Lunch Ordering for Round 3

Monday, March 7

Spirit Day – Plaid Shirt Theme

Friday, March 11

Last Day Before Spring Break

March 14-25

Spring Break

Stay up to date with Surrey Schools' Covid-19 Health & Safety Measures, including updated guidelines for Daily Health Checks and what to do when sick.

Saleema Noon "Body Science" Workshops



Saleema Noon Body Science Workshops are planned for April, for students in grade groupings (K-1, Gr. 2-3, Gr. 4-5, Gr. 6-7), preceded by an evening **Parents' Session** on **Monday, April 4th**. From the Saleema Noon website: "The workshops are light-hearted, but deliver straight and current facts on how parents and children can work together to promote good decisions for a lifetime." PAC is proud to sponsor this important learning opportunity for our kids.

"A friendly voice of reason above the chatter. We give parents concrete tools with which to answer even the toughest questions. In our work with elementary, middle and high school students we reinforce the positive, meaningful messages parents have communicated to their children and teens. With scientific information and a youthful, respectful, light-hearted approach, talking about sexual health has never been easier."







Fairy/Dino Gardens and the Mud Kitchens are up and running in the front courtyard!

Huge thanks to the **Berg Family** for donating the labour to build our incredible new mud kitchens!



at Peace Arch Elementary!





GET IN TOUCH

Email info@splashes.ca Call 604 542 4960

Visit 3050 King George Blvd #103

Online www.splashes.ca

- It's best to book ahead for your service.
- Don't forget to mention Peace Arch Elementary when you book.



HOW IT WORKS

- For the month of February, when you book any of the detail packages below, 15% will be donated back to our school.
- Choose from the Mini Detail, Interior Detail, Platinum Complete Detail, Exterior Detail or Full Service Car Wash.
- Not applicable with the Valentine's Day Promotion.

PEACE ARCH ELEMENTARY PAC FUNDRAISER

Tired of Cooking?



BOSTON PIZZA NIGHTS
WED FEBRUARY 23RD
THU FEBRUARY 24TH

Mention Peace Arch
Elementary when ordering.
A portion of sales will be
donated back to our school.

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eGift Cards earn 15%, and other Indigo purchases made through our link earn 3%. Join our fundraiser now using our invite code BVP6D6 at indigofundraising.flipgive.com

Visit <u>campaigns.mabelslabels.com</u> and



search for Peace Arch PAC.
Free shipping direct to you,
and our school earns 20%
on all purchases!

Warehouse Sale on now til Feb 14th – Up to 40% off! Laundry & Dishwasher-safe Name Labels





Mention 'Peace Arch Elementary' when you shop at any of our local Cobs Bread locations, and 5% of sales comes back to our PAC!



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For Round 2 we've adjusted our program by not having parent volunteers supervise Hot Lunch distribution in the pods. Huge thanks to our capable Grade 6/7 Lunch Monitors who have been successfully handing out the lunches in January!

Ordering for Round 3 will open March 1 – 11, for lunches delivered April – June. If you ordered a lunch for that first week in January that was cancelled (Jan 7), you'll have a credit on your account that can be applied to your Round 3 order.



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Please add a note to your family calendar for Hot Lunch days requiring cutlery... In an effort to reduce garbage, students are asked to <u>please bring</u> their own cutlery if needed for Hot Lunch!





Big shout-out to our Round 1 Hot Lunch parent volunteers, many of whom helped *every week* supervising Hot Lunch delivery in classrooms. We SO appreciate your contribution to this important PAC fundraiser!

Round 1 Volunteers: (as listed on our online sign-up sheet)

Amy A., Amy C., Candace M., Darcy B., Elizabeth M., Emily H., Fiona K., Gurpreet B., Jerry W., Jennifer S., Kanika G., Kirsten Y., Kristen F., Lacey K., Mandy Z., Nimrat G., Oleny C., Sarb S., Shannon V., Shiva K., Tammy M., Veronica H., Ying D.

And continued thanks to parent volunteer **Elizabeth McCrank** for her countless hours spent running our Hot Lunch Program!

Elizabeth 'retires' from Peace Arch at the end of next school year, and we need some replacement Hot Lunch Champions to take over the reins. Interested? Please get in touch ASAP!

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Take-Home Container

Based on the lunch-time observations of some of our Kindergarten teachers and Hot Lunch parent volunteers, it's been suggested that some of our younger students may wish to bring an empty Tupperware-style

Tupperware-style container on Hot Lunch days, for when portions are too large and they have leftovers.



WINTER RAVEN FUN FAIR - DEC. 15, 2021

Huge thanks to the army of **parent volunteers** for pulling together this new December event! Too many names to list, but thank you everyone for braving the cold weather and the sugared-up kids, the long day on your feet, the stinky milk jugs and amazing snowmen, the fabulous gingerbread house & tree collages, running the games so smoothly, the late-night set-up in the gym the night before, the super speedy clean-up after school, and your general enthusiasm and willingness to help make it such a special day for the kids!!

Thank you also to everyone who **donated** trees, candy, glue sticks, canopies, decorations, milk jugs, etc. WOW!! Also very special thanks to parent volunteer Rae C. for the awesome banners, and the following businesses for their wonderful, generous donations to the Fun Fair:





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