# **École Peace Arch Elementary PAC**

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PAC email: peacearchPAC.info@gmail.com PAC website: www.peacearch.hotlunches.net



A warm welcome (or welcome back!) to Peace Arch Elementary on behalf of your Parent Advisory Council! The goal of the Peace Arch PAC is to enrich the school life of our 500 students, and encourage Peace Arch parents to get involved and engage in our school community and their child's education.

All parents/guardians of Peace Arch students are voting members of the PAC. Please register for our PAC website to keep in touch! PEACEARCH.HOTLUNCHES.NET

What does PAC do??

#### ➤ We **fundraise** to...

- add materials & supplies to classrooms
- reduce the cost of field trips and pay for bus transportation
- support in-school programs such as Zumba, yoga, hip-hop, and tennis lessons
- supply Emergency Preparedness provisions to supplement those provided by the school district
- purchase sports & gym equipment, and Peace Arch Ravens team jerseys
- replace aging playground equipment
- update and replace laptops, iPads, and other tech used school-wide

#### We volunteer to...

- organize the weekly Hot Lunch program (re-starting this fall!)
- host family events and fundraisers like our annual Snowball Dance, Spring Fling Carnival, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, and more
- run the Fruit & Veggie program (suspended this fall)
- host a watermelon station at Sports Day
- liaise between parents and the school to advocate for our kids

Our first meeting is Tuesday, September 21, 7:00pm in the school gym. Hope you can join us and get involved in our wonderful Peace Arch community!

### PAC Executive Team 2021/2022

President: Kirsten Yanicki • Vice-President: Amy Chen Treasurer: Tana Jennings • Secretary: Luana Recchia

#### Committees 2020/21

Hot Lunch: Elizabeth McCrank • Volunteer Coordinator: Fiona Kehler CPF (Canadian Parents for French) • DPAC (Surrey District PAC)
Fundraising: Kristen Fryer & Shannon Versluis
PAC Website & Communications: Amy Alto, Sean Halliburton, Kristen Fryer Fruit & Veg Program: Fiona Kehler & Heather McRobbie
Emergency Preparedness • Snowball Dance? • Spring Fling?



### Important Dates

Tuesday, September 21, 7:00pm PAC Meeting in the school gym

Thursday, September 23

Deadline to Order Hot Lunch

Friday, September 24

Terry Fox Run – Parent Volunteers Needed: 12:20pm for Intermediate and 1:20pm for Primary

Monday, September 27

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Wednesday, Sept 29

Orange Shirt Day

Thursday, September 30

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Monday, October 11

Thanksgiving Day (no school)

Tuesday, October 12

Stream of Dreams Installation – Parent Volunteers Needed

Tuesday, October 19, 7:00pm

PAC Meeting location TBA

Friday, October 22

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Thursday, November 11

Remembrance Day (no school)

Friday, November 12

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

### 2021-22 PAC Meetings

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7PM:

Sept 21 • Oct 19 • Nov 16
January 18 • February 15
April 19 • May 17 (AGM)
Meetings may be in-person or via Zoom

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## Take part in your Peace Arch Parent Advisory Council!

Connect with other parents. Have a voice on how our PAC \$\$\$ is spent, and which activities and programs we fund. Be the first to hear about important school news and upcoming events. Learn how Peace Arch students benefit from the work of the PAC. Volunteer your time, at school or at home, to make a difference in our school community!



- PAC has 7 meetings each school year (no meetings in Dec, March, or June).
- **Traditionally we run a few different fundraisers** throughout the year:
  - Annual Fundraising Campaign
  - Hot Lunch Program (Sept-June)
  - Restaurant Nights

- Snowball Family Dance (Dec)
  - o Spring Fling Family Carnival (April/May)
  - o Mabel's Labels; Indigo; Cobs Bread
- This year we are looking for new fundraising ideas and opportunities!

## We welcome you to join us for the first meeting of the year!

Physically-distanced, and don't forget your face mask!

## PAC MEETING AGENDA ITEMS TUESDAY, SEPT 21 - 7:00pm - SCHOOL GYM

- Principal's Report
- Annual Budget
- Fundraising plans
- · Stream of Dreams
- Committees/Roles
- Hot Lunch
- Playground wrap-up
- Emergency Preparedness
- New PAC website needed; any volunteers?

Questions, ideas, and suggestions warmly welcomed!



## "How can I help out?"

### Join a Committee:

- Fundraising
- Hot Lunch
- Emergency Preparedness
- Snowball Dance\*
- Spring Fling\*
   \*if conditions allow

### Take on a Role:

- PAC Website Designer
- DPAC Rep. (District PAC)
- CPF Rep. (Canadian Parents for French)
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Watermelon Procurer for Sports Day (June)

### Sign Up:

- Stream of Dreams volunteers will be needed Oct 12 to attach fish to the fence! Time TBA.
- Hot Lunch volunteers will be needed every Friday lunchtime (some Thursdays)

Any of these roles could be shared – sign up with a friend! Questions? Details? Email peacearchPAC.info@gmail.com.



# It's back, baby!!



Round 1 Ordering for Grades 1-7 is Open NOW: Sept 16-23rd



## peacearch.hotlunches.net

Hot Lunch will officially be operating this year, with COVID protocols in place to keep everyone safe. It is our largest annual fundraiser and often brings in over \$15,000/year for our school! Parent volunteers will be needed on Hot Lunch Fridays (occasional Thursdays); please watch for sign-ups.

### The program runs in 3 rounds:

- Round 1 = October December (ordering open now! Deadline Thursday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>)
- Round 2 = January March
- Round 3 = April June

Kindergarten students may order for Rounds 2 & 3.

### Reminders about the Hot Lunch Website:

- you must **re-register** your child each year
- the Access Code is "PAHL"
- once logged in, add your child via the "Profile > Add Students" tab
- orders AND payment must be received by Thursday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Hot Lunch orders are placed via the tabs "Orders > Student Orders"
- payment is made with credit card through Bambora



### First week of Hot Lunch will be Friday, October 1st, and this fall's vendors will include:

- White Spot
- Subway
- Taco del Mar
- Nando's
- Pita Pit

- Sushi Castle
- Opa! Greek
- Panago
- Chopped Leaf

Questions? peacearchHotLunch@gmail.com



PAC is very excited to bring the Stream of Dreams – Fish on Fences program of environmental education and stewardship to Peace Arch this fall! We're thrilled to have received a \$6700 grant from the Pacific Salmon Foundation, and will be asking for parent volunteers to help attach fish to the fence on Tuesday, Oct 12!



## STUDENT DROP-OFF ZONE REMINDER

There are 2 DROP-OFF ZONES on the north side of Roper (westbound traffic only):

- 1. from the driveway/gate of the lower grass field, west until the main crosswalk on Roper
- 2. from the main crosswalk on Roper, west until the staff parking lot driveway



Please respect the Drop-Off Zones, and do not leave your vehicle unattended.

- Use common sense and courtesy when dropping off/picking up at school.
- Pull into the Drop Off Zone, pull as far forward as possible, let your child out, and depart.
- Do not stop in the "through lane" (active traffic!) to let your child out.

The intention of the Drop-Off Zones is to keep the flow of traffic moving in and out in an orderly and timely way, so that everyone has a space to drop off their child SAFELY. Questions or concerns? Please contact admin through the school office at 604-536-8711.



**ACTUAL SIGN** 

AT OUR SCHOOL!

### Please respect our Neighbours on Roper, Prospect, Kent, and Stayte!

- ★ Please do not block driveways!
- ★ Please do not speed!
- ✓ Please do not litter!
- ▼ Please do not walk in our neighbours' yards!
- DO be good ambassadors of Peace Arch Elementary!



DROP-OFF

AND PICK-UP

DRIVER MUST

REMAIN IN VEHICLE

8AM-5PM



## Peace Arch Parent Advisory Council (PAC):



Peace Arch PAC Website: <a href="https://www.peacearch.hotlunches.net/">www.peacearch.hotlunches.net/</a>

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



Peace Arch PAC on Instagram: <a href="www.instagram.com/peacearchpac/">www.instagram.com/peacearchpac/</a> Administered by Peace Arch PAC parent volunteers. Follow us on Instagram for updates on PAC fundraising initiatives, Playground, Hot Lunch, Snowball Dance, Spring Fling, Staff Appreciation Luncheon, volunteer call outs, PAC meetings, etc.

## École Peace Arch Elementary:



**Peace Arch Elementary School Website:** <a href="www.surreyschools.ca/schools/peacea">www.surreyschools.ca/schools/peacea</a> Sign up to receive email communication directly from the school. Calendar of events, school newsletters, school supply lists, parent resources, 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 2021/22 school year, new curriculum updates, free online tutoring, & much more.



# PEACE ARCH PAC FUNDRAISERS-ONGOING

# Indigo FUNDRAISER PROGRAM





Buy an Indigo eGift Card

Gives 15%

SHOP NOW

Every time you shop online through our group fundraising page, Peace Arch Elementary PAC earns cash back! eGift Cards earn 15%, and other Indigo purchases made through our link earn 3%. Join our fundraiser now using our invite code BVP6D6!

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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!





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



OCEAN PARK
SEMIAHMOO MALL
SOUTH POINTE

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# Playground Replacements Complete!

Over the past 4 years, Peace Arch Elementary families and community donors have made a significant investment in our children. Two of our aging playground structures were scheduled for mandatory removal by the Surrey School District, and it fell to the PAC to fund their replacements. Phase 1 of our Playground Replacement was installed by a team of parent and teacher volunteers in July 2019, at a cost of \$100,000, fully funded by school families and donations from our community. The playground is wheelchair accessible and includes design elements voted on by our students. Huge thanks to parent volunteer Sean Halliburton for chairing our Playground Committee these past several years.



We were delighted to team up with the <u>Rotary Club of White Rock</u> for Phase 2 of our Playground Replacement which saw the northern 'intermediate' play structure <u>replaced last winter in Dec 2020</u>, at a cost of \$113,000. Our warmest thanks to Dr. Browne de Paula, Mr. Rajagopal, Mr. Rae, Mr. Sangha, and the <u>Rotary Club of White Rock</u> for taking on this mega-project for our school community, and for their contribution of \$63,000, plus over \$20,000 in savings, materials, and volunteer labour to help lower our cost. We deeply appreciate that they selected our Playground Replacement, along with White Rock Elementary's, as their primary project during their 2019/20 year, and all the incredible hard work they poured into fundraising and advocating on our behalf.

