

## **WELCOME BACK!**

We are excited to start a new school year and we welcome our new Kindergarten families and other newcomers to the Latimer Road PAC! Our first meeting will be on **Monday, September 16 at 6:30pm** in the school library. You can also join virtually on Zoom at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/LatimerZoom">bit.ly/LatimerZoom</a>. Everyone who attends this meeting will be entered into a draw to win a \$5 credit for MunchaLunch!

At this meeting we will be discussing the proposed 2024/2025 budget, fundraising activities, events, and more. Everyone is encouraged to attend, including your children as free childcare is provided during the meeting. PAC meetings are a great way to meet other parents/guardians and to keep up to date on what is happening at your child's school.

A draft of the agenda can be found in the <u>PAC Public Documents folder</u>. If you have a topic that you would like added to the agenda, please email us at <u>latimerroadpac@gmail.com</u>.



# JOIN US FOR A BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ

**Thursday, September 19** is Meet the Teacher, and the PAC would like to invite everyone to stay for our Back to School BBQ! Don't worry about cooking dinner that night and enjoy hot dogs while meeting other parents and children. **Food must be ordered and pre-purchased through MunchaLunch** and will be served from 4:30 to 6pm. Ordering will open soon so please keep an eye out for information on the Surrey Schools app.

Please note: food will be available for cash purchase at the BBQ but quantities are limited. We encourage everyone to order in advance.



# **PAC HALLOWEEN EVENTS**

Save the date for these spooktacular events in October! More details on all events coming soon.

#### **Halloween Family Dance Party**

Kick off your Halloween celebrations with a Halloween Family Dance Party on **Thursday**, **October 24 from 5:30 to 8pm** in the school gym. Enjoy a professional DJ and special surprises throughout the night! *Please note: Friday, October 25 is a non-instructional day so no school!* 

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## **Trick or Suite Night with the Vancouver Giants**

The Vancouver Giants play the Kamloops Blazers on **Sunday**, **October 27 at 4pm**. Wear your costumes and during intermission kids can trick-or-treat at the suite level of the arena. After the game, lace up your skates for a free public skate on the ice! Skate and helmet rentals available for a small fee. Game tickets are \$25 each and will be available soon.



#### Halloween Pumpkin Contest & Showcase

Get creative and have fun! Kids can decorate or carve a pumpkin at home, then bring it to the school gym to display. Prizes will be awarded in primary and intermediate categories. **Date to be announced.** 

Pictured: a 2023 winning pumpkin created by a primary student.

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> to stay up to date on all PAC activities and events!



#### PAC FUNDRAISING GOAL

Our fundraising goal for the 2024-2025 school year is \$15,000. In 2023 the PAC raised over \$13,000. Funds raised help pay for costs associated with field trips, technology, teachers' wish list requests, classroom items, and more!

#### Here's how you can help:

- 1. Volunteer! We need your help to make our events a success. There are opportunities to volunteer during and after school, with time commitments as short as one hour. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out our volunteer form <a href="here">here</a> to be added to our general list of volunteers and we will email you about volunteer opportunities.
- 2. Attend our PAC events!
- 3. Donate. If you can't make it to one of our events, you can donate your chosen amount through the event listing on MunchaLunch.

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# **PAC MEETINGS**

Mark your calendar! PAC meetings will be held on the third Monday of each month (excluding February, March, April, and May when meetings will be held on the second Monday. There is no meeting in December and June). Meetings will start promptly at 6:30pm and will last for approximately one hour. For those who can't make meetings, minutes are available after the meeting in the PAC Public Documents folder.

Meeting dates: **September 16, October 21, November 18, January 20, February 10, March 10, April 14, and May 12.** The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will directly follow the May meeting.



## WHAT IS THE PAC?

PAC is the Parent Advisory Council. All parents and guardians of children attending Latimer Road are automatically members of our PAC. The PAC organizes a variety of fundraising activities and events throughout the year, such as hot lunch, book fairs, dances, movie nights, cultural celebrations, and more. Money raised through fundraising is used to directly benefit Latimer Road students.

Being involved with the PAC is a great opportunity for parents and guardians to get involved with their child's school and contribute to the school community.

Come to a meeting, watch for our notices on the Surrey Schools app, and follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> to connect with the PAC and stay up to date on PAC activities and events!

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