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The art is  
amazing like  
our parents!

Another reason we love  
this school !!  
Talent lines the halls &  
fills the classrooms!

Blown away by the  
talent at Blakeburn  
Beautiful work!

We have so very much to be proud of as a school. Today you saw the high quality work lining the halls. You experienced their beautiful voices and songs.

It was a day filled with sharing and celebrating our children and all that they learn.

Thank you families, teachers, and support staff for making Blakeburn a caring, creative and intelligent school.

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**In Appreciation of Our Families**

Thank you for attending our appreciation gallery. Ms. Clark came in to lead the choir, the recorders, and the buskers. We enjoyed the circus arts and the beautiful Portraits. Our student masters of ceremony were outstanding.



## Como Lake Relays



Our students did an outstanding job of representing our school at the Como Lake Relays. As I overheard them saying, "It started to hurt around the second corner, I got a stitch, it was hard to swallow, I had so much fun."

Long distance running takes commitment and perseverance and our students trained hard to compete in this race.

## Peanut Aware

Some of the students in our school have a severe allergy to peanuts. Because of this health concern we ask you to avoid sending snacks containing peanuts and peanut butter to school. Please remind your child not to share recess snacks with other students so that you know what your child is eating at school.

Washing hands after eating (including breakfast), especially if peanut products are eaten, is a healthy routine for all of us to establish and practice. Your cooperation with this situation will help to ensure the safety of all students in the school.

April 2015						
Sunda	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Earthday	<b>23</b> Walk-a-thon Kway Parent Night Minnekada Open House 6:30-8:00	<b>24</b> PAC Hot Lunch	25
26	<b>27</b> Hip Hop	<b>28</b> Hip Hop	<b>29</b> Hip Hop	<b>30</b> Hip Hop	<b>1</b> Hip Hop	2
3	<b>4</b> Hip Hop	<b>5</b> Hip Hop	<b>6</b> Hip Hop Performance	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> PAC Treat Day  Motus Dance Theatre 1:30	9
10	<b>11</b> Class Photo Day	<b>12</b> Teacher Appreciat ion Lunch	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Welcome to Kindergart en 1:00	<b>15</b> Activity Day	16
17	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> PAC Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	23

## Earthday

We will be decorating stones for our garden and planting. Parents who would like to come and help plant please let us know. We will be planting in the afternoon. Bring some tools and join us.



## News From the PAC

Website: [www.blakeburnpac.org](http://www.blakeburnpac.org) Find us on Facebook: "Blakeburn Elementary PAC"

### Upcoming PAC Events

Take note of these upcoming PAC-led events or come be part of them!

- Monday, April 20 PAC Meeting @ 6:30 in School Library
- Thursday, April 23 Walk-a-thon (after lunch)
- Friday, April 24 Hot Lunch (pre-ordered through Munchalunch)
- Tuesday, May 12 Teacher Appreciation Lunch

### PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

#### Walkathon Coming Soon – April 23

We can't run the Walkathon without you! The Walkathon is set to take place on Thursday, April 23rd after lunch. We are looking for 10 volunteers to help supervise and pass out treats. Please email Carrie at [fundraising@blakeburnpac.org](mailto:fundraising@blakeburnpac.org).

#### Teacher Appreciation Lunch - May 12

Every year the parents of Blakeburn students host a staff appreciation luncheon to thank our wonderful teachers and school staff for their hard work during the year and their dedication to our childrens' well-being and education.

The PAC Executive needs your help in setting up the room, donating pot-luck style dishes for the luncheon, and of course, cleaning up afterwards!

We need appetizers, salads, main courses (including vegetarian), and desserts. There will be about 40 people attending. When you sign up, please be sure to indicate exactly what dish you will be making.

Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/stafflunch2015>

#### Think about Joining the PAC Next Year

Interested in getting more involved at Blakeburn and meeting other parents dedicated to helping our school community? The PAC has a number of opportunities for parents to get involved in small or larger roles, from President of the PAC to member at large.

No previous experience is required!

#### **PAC Elections will be taking place during the PAC meeting on May 25, 2015.**

The PAC is seeking parents specifically interested in these positions:

##### **President**

This person leads the PAC committee, oversees PAC activities, and liaises with the school administration, parents and other stakeholders.

##### **Multicultural Liaison**

This person will facilitate the welcoming of families with backgrounds in different cultures, and

encourage the involvement of these families in the school community.

**Parent Volunteer Coordinator**

This person helps get parents involved in PAC activities including the Carnival, Walkathon, Staff Appreciation Lunch and may assist in these events.

**All PAC positions:**

Blakeburn parents are invited to run for election for any PAC positions (listed below).

President  
Treasurer  
Secretary  
DPAC  
Fundraising Committee  
Health & Safety  
Parent Communications  
Parent Education  
Hot Lunch Coordinator  
Parent Volunteer Coordinator  
Multicultural Liaison  
Members at Large

If you are interested or have questions about these roles, email the PAC President, Vandhana Misri, at [president@blakeburnpac.org](mailto:president@blakeburnpac.org) and/or we invite you to attend the next PAC meeting on April 20.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR CARNIVAL!**

Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – Carnival @ 4:30pm - 7:30pm. There will be bouncy castles, pony rides, laser tag, cake walk and more. More info coming soon on how to get involved with cake donations, class themed gift boxes and volunteering on the day.