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Earth Day

Thank you to Jamie Roberts and Andrea Dowdle for all of their work in organizing Earth Day. As well we had some artistic helpers and weeders on the day.

Our children contributed to taking care of this place. Beautiful

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Please email: sfiset@sd43.bc.ca



SWATZ

On **Tuesday, April 28th** our grade 4/5 SWATZ Students are hosting a **Popsicle Sale!** SWATZ stands for "Students Working as a Team for Zimbabwe." This team is made up of 4/5 students who are taking care of others and trying to make a difference in the world. The team raises money through fundraising to purchase peanut butter, shoes and tuition fees for children in a small village in Tshelanyemba, Zimbabwe.

The popsicles are gluten free and will be **\$2.00 each**. The SWATZ team will go to your child's classroom at recess!

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser!



Garden Stones



There is one special stone in our garden. Lucy Doull is our afternoon caretaker. She is retiring at the end of the year and contributed this stone to our garden.

Walk-a-thon



Thank you to the parent volunteers that put on the walk-a-thon. The kids, teachers, SEAs, and parents braved the rain and weather to walk for our school.

The freezies were a treat!

Thank you.

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/May 2015						
Sunda	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satu
26	27 Hip Hop	28 Hip Hop Popsicle Sale for SWATZ	29 Hip Hop	30 Hip Hop	1 Hip Hop	2
3	4 Hip Hop Fruit & Veggie Program - Cucumbers	5 Hip Hop	6 Hip Hop Performance	7	8 Motus Dance Theatre 1:30	9
10	11 Class Photo Day	12 Teacher Appreciation Lunch	13	14 Welcome to Kindergarten 1:00	15 Activity Day	16
17	18 Victoria Day	19	20	21 District Track Meet	22	23
24	25 LICE 911 Fruit & veggie program - sliced apples	26 LICE 911	27	28	29 Hot Lunch (hot dogs)	30

Some Important June Dates

Grade 6 for a day:

- Kway: June 3rd 9-2
- Minnehada June 3rd 9-12

Saleema Noon:

June 9th - 6:30 pm Primary Presentation & 7:30pm Intermediate Presentation

Grade 4/5's to Cultus Lake: June 11th

Grade 5 Farewell: June 19th 1:30

Farewell Gathering: June 24th at 1:00

Last Day: June 25th



Satisfaction Survey 2014/2015

For Grade Four Parents

The Provincial Satisfaction Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

In **2015** the Satisfaction Survey will be administered to students in grades four, their parents, and all school staff. We encourage parents to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. All that is required is a logon number that the school will provide to participants. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site, without a logon number.

The school is available for parents who would like to participate but do not have access to a computer. Just give a call to the office and we will set a time for you.

For parents who do not wish to use school computers, local public library computers may be another option.

The e-survey site will be open until May 15, 2013.

If you have not received your logon number by April 27th, please contact the school at 604-944-9037.

News From the PAC

Website: 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!

- Friday, April 24 – Hot Lunch (pre-ordered through Munchalunch)
- Tuesday, May 12 – Teacher Appreciation Lunch

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 children's 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.

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

Members at Large

SAVE THE DATE FOR CARNIVAL!

Friday, June 5 – Carnival @ 4:30-7:30 – Bouncy Castles, Pony Rides, Laser Tag, Cake Walk and more. More information will be coming soon on how to get involved with cake donations, class themed gift boxes and volunteering on the day.