

PAC NEWS

Fall 2018

Early Dismissal Activities: Karate Training - September 19 Despicable Me 3 - September 20

Hot Lunches

Pizza Day - Wednesday September 26

Welcome Back Movie Night

On September 28th the PAC will be hosting a family movie night (Incredibles 2). This event is free for all families who have paid their PAC donation. Doors open at 6:30. Movie begins at 7. You can pay your PAC donations on munchalunch.com

Contact your PAC Executives

Feel free to reach out to the PAC anytime at **crepacexecutives@gmail.com**

Upcoming PAC Meeting

Come out to our PAC meeting on October 9th at 7:00pm. Child care is available.

Join our Facebook Page

*CRE Parents

Parent Checklist for Munch a Lunch

- □ Pac Donation
- Book early Dismissal Activities
- □ Book Hot lunches

Welcome back to another fun year at Coquitlam River Elementary. The PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) is here to assist the school with supplies and funds needed to create the best 6 years of your child's formative education. As a parent of a student at CRE you are automatically a PAC member and are welcome to attend any PAC meetings.

In addition to helping with needed school supplies and funding the PAC also works to create memorable community building events. Our annual Snow Flake Ball in December is a magical event that is the envy of many other schools. Don't forget to mark your calenders for December 7th.

After a very successful Haunted Halloween the last two years, we have decided to run a Haunted Halloween Fun event on Friday October 26th. We can't wait to set up a bigger and scarier Haunted House. We also hope to have more carnival games and Halloween fun. We will serve Spider Dogs and lots of treats as well.

The PAC also runs two treat days and a two hot lunches each month. This year we have decided to try out 3 Pasta Polo lunches. You will be able to purchase Fettuccine Alfredo and Spaghetti and Meatballs for your child. These are scheduled after a long weekend, and Christmas and spring break to give you one more day of not having to pack a lunch!

The PAC is run entirely by parent volunteers. Many jobs only require 15 minutes of your time. Watch your child's face light up when they see you come into their class to serve lunch!

We want to continue to grow our school technology, work on community art projects, fund our outdoor classroom and of

course continue to make the school a warm and welcoming place to learn and grow.

PAC will continue funding guest speakers and presenters. We are also committed to paying for a week of Hip Hop instruction.

If you want to know where the PAC money goes be sure to come out to a PAC meeting or read the meeting minutes. We will also update you in this newsletter. Last year in addition to our regular funding we were able to help update our schools books and invest in many self regulation tools such as wobble stools, games, monitors and headphones.

There are always ways for parents to volunteer any amount of time to the school. If you are interested in volunteering please email us at crepacexecutives@gmail.com. We are also always posting volunteer opportunities on our facebook page (creparents).

PAC meetings are once a month. It is a great way to stay informed and be part of the decision making process. You will get to hear a monthly report from Ross Jacobsen, our awesome principal, and you will be able to vote and offer feedback on the direction the school is taking, programs your child will attend and many other issues at the school. We love seeing new faces and hearing new ideas.

Take care, Your PAC Team

Chair - Laura Woodward Co-chair - Chelsea Giesbretch Secretary - Kristin LeMonnier Treasurer - Dianna Hamilton DPAC - Alisha Delver

How Do I Pay for PAC Events, Lunches, Popcorn and Treat Days?

1. Events and PAC donations can be paid for online at Munchalunch.com. You can follow the instructions on the following page to set up your account. Both are under the fundraising tab

2. Hot Lunches are also paid for online at munchalunch.com. You can order lunches individually or you can order for the entire fall season.

3. Popcorn Days and Treat days are paid for in cash the day of the event. Teachers will collect money during morning attendance and then treats will be delivered to the classrooms.

PAC Calender Of Events 2018/2019

Popcorn Day - September 14 Early dismissal - September 19 Early Dismissal - September 20 Pizza Day - September 26 Movie night - September 28th

Popcorn Day - Oct 5 PAC meeting -Oct 9 Hot Dog Day- Oct 10 Treat Day- Oct 18 Pizza Day - Oct 24 Haunted Halloween - Oct 26

Popcorn Day - Nov 2 Hot Dog Day- Nov 7 PAC meeting - Nov 13 *Pasta polo day - Nov 13 Treat Day- Nov 16 Pizza Day - Nov 21 Popcorn Day - Nov 30

Snowflake ball - Dec 7 PAC meeting - Dec 11 Hot Dog Day- Dec 12 Treat Day- Dec 14 Pizza Day - Dec 19

*Pasta Polo - Jan 7 PAC meeting - Jan 8 Popcorn Day - Jan 11 Hot Dog Day- Jan 16 Treat Day- Jan 25 Pizza Day - Jan 30 Popcorn Day - Feb 1 PAC meeting - Feb 12 Hot Dog Day- Feb 6 *Treat Day- Feb 14 Pizza Day - Feb 20 Early Dismissal - Feb 21

Popcorn Day - March 1 PAC meeting - March 12 Hot Dog Day- March 6th Treat Day- March 15

Pasta Polo Day - April 1 Popcorn Day - April 5 PAC meeting - April 9 Hot Dog Day- April 10 *Treat Day- April 18 Pizza Day - April 24

Popcorn Day - May 3 PAC meeting - May 14 Hot Dog Day- May 8 *Treat Day- May 16 Pizza Day - May 22 Popcorn Day - May 31

Hot Dog Day- June 5 PAC meeting - June 11 Treat Day- June 21 Pizza Day (Sports day) - June 14



Coquitlam River Elementary Hot Lunch Program September 2018 to June 2019

Hello Parents!

Welcome back! For PAC organized events and hot lunches, we will continue to use our online ordering system MunchaLunch.com

You can pay for your orders by credit card OR cheque

Note: Parent accounts have been automatically rolled over from the 2017-18 school year. Returning parents who login will see the message: "welcome to the 2018-19 school year. Please update your child's grade/teacher/div BEFORE ordering."

Existing Users: to log into an existing account visit munchalunch.com/login

New user accounts - HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: http://www.munchalunch.com/schools/coquitlamriver/
- 2) Click the "Register Here" button (as shown below). The system will guide you through
- 3) After adding your child(ren), click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order
- 4) Next time, just click the "Login Here" button to access your account.



Children in more than one school: Note: if a family has children in multiple schools they must contact <u>support@</u> <u>munchalunch.com</u> and provide the school names. Our team will set up their second account.

ORDERING DETAILS:

- ☐ If you need assistance with your account or ordering, or do not have access to the internet, please contact <u>crepachotlunch@gmail.com</u>
- You can place orders for lunches individually of for the entire Fall or Winter session at once.
- Similarly, you can order event and fundraiser tickets as they are released at the same time as your lunch orders (for these you need to go to the "fundraising" tab).

Please note if your child is ill on a lunch date, you are welcome to come and pick up their lunch but we cannot keep the food for them for the next day. Orders are due 6 days prior to the lunch date and cancellations to orders must be made by that date as well.

We appreciate your support for our hot lunch program as the funds go towards playground upgrades, guest speakers, special events, technology and sports equipment for the schools, appreciation lunches, etc.

We are always in need of **Volunteers**! There is a volunteer page in the online system where you can checkmark which dates you are available. The lunch coordinator will then contact you with a proposed schedule.

Dear Parents,

Each year, as an alternative to having parents engage in fundraising drives to sell products, as many other schools do, our PAC requests an annual donation from families. We recognize that families with multiple children have an increased financial burden when donating to the school. As such, this year we have decided to keep the individual donation amount to \$35 but for families with more than one child, the donation amount will be \$50 per family.

As a thank you for your donation we offer FREE admission for families who have donated to **the PAC.** The movie is on Friday September 28th. Doors will open at 6:30pm with the movie starting at 7pm.

Concession extra (cash only) - hot dogs, drinks and treats

Our PAC has an annual operating budget through which we provide funding to the school to enhance and enrich the experience for our children. PAC money supports a number of initiatives including guest speakers, parent and student education (such as Body Science), dance instruction, gym equipment, teacher appreciation lunches, self-regulation classroom redesign, library improvement, educational technology such as ipads for the classroom, playground improvement, and much more.

We also have several fundraisers we hold throughout the year in order to continue to give back to our community beyond what our operating budget allows for. All parents are welcome to attend our monthly PAC meetings to learn more. We also always need volunteers so if you are interested, please let us know and we can work around your availability. You can also keep up to date with our activities through our PAC newsletter.



PAC Donation FREE Movie Night Incredibles 2 Friday September 28th

Doors open at 6:30pm Movie starts at 7pm

Free admission for the entire family after paying your PAC donation

Concessions including hot dogs, drinks, popcorn and treats available at the door

You can pay your pac donation online at munchalunch.com or

You can pay your pac donation by cash or cheque made payable to CRE PAC and drop it at the office.

Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5