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KPAC News

December 18, 2008

Next Meeting: Monday, January 12th, 7p.m., Kilmer Library

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CHAIR'S REPORT

Thank you all very much for providing so much support for your school, your PAC, and most importantly your children. I hope you have a wonderful winter break with your children, family and friends.

Thank you to Sue McIntosh for taking on the tremendous task of compiling all the email addresses. This is the first trial run to see how it will all work. Paper copies of this notice will only be going home to those not on email with the school and hopefully, if all goes well, only one email per family. Please bear with us as we work out any quirks.

Have a great one! See you in January or on the hill with a sled!! Rachelle Jadot (thejadots@gmail.com)
604-552-7435

VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

Kilmer Spirit Wear and Grad Wear were delivered on Friday December 12th. We strongly encourage you to put your last name in all items. Then, if any item does go missing, it will be easy to identify its rightful owner. There was only 2 small hiccups with the order, but all will be taken care of. Thank you to those families for their understanding and patience. Watch for a Kilmer *Red and Blue Day* in the new year, a chance for the children to show there school pride!

Thank you and Happy Holidays. Candice Miller (cmiller 7 @ telus.net)

EMERGENCY PREPARATION

We are in the process of adding new supplies to our Principal/School Emergency Kit. The district has provided us up to \$500 to purchase the required supplies like shovels, fire extinguishers, multi-blade knives, a crow bar and sledge hammer, which we have now done. The remaining supplies that are required will be purchased with money from our Emergency Prep Fund.

Susan Deyotte and Anna Sato

FRUITS & VEGGIES PROGRAM

We had our last shipment of fruits & veggies for the year on Dec 1 which were mandarin oranges. The oranges were larger than normal so we only had enough for 1 serving per student this time. We also have an orange allergy in the school so the kids were given the oranges at the end of the day to take home. The first delivery for the new year is January 26th.

Candice Miller and Susan Deyotte

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Our next hot lunch is the last day of school before the Christmas Break (December 19) and it will be Sub Sandwiches.

Yvonne (<u>ylg@shaw.ca</u>)

2008/09 KPAC Executive

Chair Rachelle Jadot

Vice-Chair Candice Miller

Secretary Kim Becker

Treasurer Cathy Clelland

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Dirk Rohde

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Fundraising/Playground

Amber Henricksen Kim Becker Tia Turner Rosie Shaw Rachelle Jadot Deborah Fowler Jasmine Parker

Parent Library
Tia Turner

CPF Representative Debra McNicol

SPC Representatives

Rachelle Jadot Karen Elrick Teresa Kazemir

Parent Education Dirk Rohde

Emergency Prep

Susan Deyotte Anna Sato

Volunteer Coordinators

Deborah Demers position available

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Robyn Lau positions available

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Ongoing Events

Penny Drive for the Playground (Kilmer Front Hall)

Me & Ed's – 3rd Weds. of each month

Dec.17th Jan. 21 Feb. 18th Mar. 18th Apr. 15th May.20th June. 17th

Collection of Campbell Soup Labels

Collection of metal tabs for Shriners

Collection of used ziplock bags from hot lunch and fundraisers for general reuse.

Fruit & Veggies

Dec. 2 & 4, 2008 Dec. 27 & 29, 2008 Jan. 27 & 29, 2009 Feb. 10 & 12, 2009 Feb. 24 & 26, 2009 Mar. 10 & 12, 2009 May. 21 & 23, 2009 May. 5 & 7, 2009 May. 19 & 21, 2009 Jun. 2 & 4, 2009

KPAC Meetings

Dec. 1, 2008 (Social) Jan. 12, 2009 Feb. 2, 2009 Mar. 2, 2009 Apr. 6, 2009 May 4, 2009 (Elections)

June ??, 2009 (Social)

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Thank you all so much for your time, participation and continual support with our various fundraisers. We would like to address the many questions we have received about why we don't just do a few big fundraisers in the year to make budget. In our planning meeting last June, we worked at eliminating most of the small fundraisers that did not raise substantial money for the PAC. The fundraisers you have seen this year have all been very successful. The PAC budget was met by October which has never been done before! All funds raised from October on will go towards our new playground. Once the playground is complete, the fundraising initiatives will be significantly reduced in following years, unless of course, there are special projects the PAC would like to work towards. The initiatives we chose this year also reach a far bigger circle of supporters, in turn making our events extremely successful. Big fundraisers take a lot of manpower to make successful. Most of the Fundraising volunteers are parents who hold full-time jobs, which makes planning big events very difficult. If anyone is interested in coordinating an event like this, the fundraising team would be more than happy to support these efforts and help make a successful event.

Santa's Stop Drop & Shop: was a big success. The feedback from the children was extremely positive with many asking when our next one will be! Thank you families who participated, we raised over \$650!

Cookbook: we've had a good response for orders of our Kilmer Cookbook raising about **\$600**. Final books will be distributed this week. Thanks to all who purchased the books. We hope you enjoy trying all the new recipes!

Me & Eds: We have this booked for the 3rd Wednesday of each month (email reminders will follow). Me & Eds has generously offered to hang a poster advertising "Kilmer Night" on our nights so that anyone in the restaurant that night could say that their order was for "Kilmer". Please contact Rachelle if you can help us make the poster.

Kilmer Family Skate: Planet Ice on Saturday, February 7th at 3:00pm. \$15 per family or \$5 per person. This is 100% profit for us! A big Thank You to a Kilmer family for their very generous donation of ice-time & skate rentals!

A little R&R for January with no events planned. Enjoy this post holiday break and consider volunteering your time at the school or another worthy location.

PLAYGROUND UPDATE

During our PAC Social on December 1st, we held a vote for the new playground option. We are very pleased to announce that the vote was unanimous in support of this option which includes an entirely separate Kindergarten playground, a bigger grade 1 to 5 structure and an additional rock wall. If fundraising goes well and we can all band together for one last big push, this structure will be erected for this coming Spring 2009! To date we have raised \$40,000 which is enough to purchase the equipment! However, we still need \$20,000 to prepare the site and install the equipment!

Should you have any questions please contact Amber at 604-945-7933 or amberh@telus.net

Thank you from your Fundraising/Playground Team

KPAC MEETINGS

Meetings are generally held on the first Monday of each month (unless it falls on a holiday) in the school library; starting at 7:00 p.m. **Babysitting is provided**.

 September 8, 2008
 February 2, 2009

 October 6, 2008
 March 2, 2009

 November 3, 2008
 April 6, 2009

December 1, 2008 (Social @ Gillnetter Pub)

January 12, 2009

May 4, 2009 (Elections)

June ??, 2009 (Social)

Check out upcoming meeting agendas, past minutes, as well as archived KPAC newsletters at: http://public.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/Kilmer/Web Part Pages/PAC.aspx