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positions available

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Anna Sato
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Volunteer Coordinators

Deborah Demers
position available

Safety Committee

positions available

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KPAC News

February 26, 2010

Next Meeting: Monday, March 1st, 6-7p.m., Kilmer Library (note earlier start time)

CHAIR'S REPORT

Please note **NEW TIME CHANGE** for our next KPAC meeting on Monday March 1st, 6:00pm - 7:00pm. Then the New Math program to start at 7pm with Don Gordon.

Hope you are enjoying the Kilmer Olympic Spirit! The children and school put on a lovely Olympic Ceremony. If you ever miss a school or PAC notice and there is nothing in the backpack, your email or website please check the front office desk for the most up to date notices.

We have set the date for the Staff Appreciation lunch - Thursday April 15th. Get those recipes books out so we can treat the staff to one of our famous thank you luncheons and thank them for all that they do. Please watch for your notice to come home or see Rose Shaw if you are interested in helping out or bringing a dish to share.

Executive positions and other volunteer committee position will be available for next year's KPAC. If you or someone you know are interested in volunteering your time to benefit the Kilmer children, your help would be extremely appreciated.

The BCCPAC Newsletter "Newsbytes", Vol 10, Issue 6, is available on their website. Topics include:

- Parent Leadership resources online
- Notice of 2010 AGM and Spring Conference
- CPF National News e-newsletter

To read these and other stories visit: <http://www.bccpac.bc.ca/resources/whatsnew/newsbytes0809.aspx>

There is an online petition to reinstate all charitable gaming grants in BC addressed to Premier Gordon Campbell & Minister Rich Coleman. Please follow the link below to review the complete petition and to add your support: <http://www.petitiononline.com/VCBS2010/petition.html>

Thank you,
Rachelle Jadot (theadots@gmail.com)

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

I'm happy to report that everyone who ordered Kilmer spirit and grad wear have received their orders. The stainless steel water bottles were received in the last couple of weeks and looked wonderful. We do have extra bottles for sale just in case you missed them. If you're interested in purchasing one please contact Candice Miller by email or you can pick one up at one of our many fundraisers while supplies last.

Thank you
Candice Miller, clmiller7@gmail.com

SAFETY REPORT

Thank you everyone for changing your parking in the loop!!! It is very much appreciated. We are able to get in way more cars and we don't have to walk as far now. Thanks again! The idle free signs are up now; posted along the fence of the loop and the kindergarten drop off area. Vehicle stickers to come home soon as well.



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MARCH EVENTS

Garden Club

Alternate Mondays

KPAC Meeting

Monday, Mar. 1st
7pm, Kilmer Library

Hot Lunch Orders Due

Friday, Mar. 12th

Cash For Clothes

Friday, Mar. 17th

Hot Lunch

Friday, Mar. 19th

Last Day of Classes

Thursday, Mar. 25th

Return To Class

Tuesday, Apr. 6th

Staff Thank You Lunch

Thursday, Apr. 15th

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Please come out Monday March 1st. 6:00pm to vote on the new playground equipment.

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming dates & check the KPAC website for order forms:

- **Cash for Clothes** & small household items. Drop off is 8 am - 10 am on Wed., March 17th
- **Spring flowers orders** due back Friday April 23rd. Pick up for Mother's Day - Thursday May 6th
- **Scrapbooking** and Vendor Day, 10 am - 10 pm on Saturday May 1st. Register by April 16th
- **Spring Fun Fair?** - TBA - We are looking for volunteer help with this event
- **Garage Sale** - Saturday June 12th - Volunteer help requested as well.

Thanks,

Candice, Rachelle, Susan D., Jasmine, Shelly F., Kim B., & Joshy

DPAC REPORT

DPAC Meeting – 10/02/24 see www.dpac43.org for additional details and information.

President's Announcements (Deanne Harris)

- Heidi Gable will be back in March
- Superintendent Tom Grant was absent
- The District Budget meeting led by Rick Humphrey took place
- Several DPAC positions are currently open
- Looking for one more person to join committee to review bylaws and constitutions
- DPAC is looking for any questions that we may have regarding the PAC

Finance/Budget Process (Rick Humphreys)

- Budget for SD43 comprises revenue generated from MOE (Ministry of Education) which is \$226,216,035. Approximately 89.9% and SD43 grants, SD43 generated revenue and surplus make up the final \$25,525,555. Approximately 10.1% for a total of **\$251,741,590** to be **divided between 66 schools** in our district
- Expenses are dispersed amongst salaries, services and supplies \$251,741,590.
- Short falls have been occurring since 2001 with the budgets, due to **MOE formula** set up to allocate funds to Provincial School Districts
- 2010-2011 Infrastructure needs is already looking at a \$8,000,000 short fall
- Funds are very tight due to gaming and grant funding cuts
- Link to follow so you can view the Budget Presentation

Parent Ed Opportunities (Deanne Harris)

- March 4 – “In the Driver’s Seat” – a workshop for parents of teens and new young drivers
 - Several new driving rules related to getting your “L”, electronics use, etc.
- March 10, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. – “Social Responsibility”
- April 14, 7:00 p.m. – “What to do When Your Child is Being Bullied: Strategies for Parents”
- Registration is required for all courses (e-mail dpac43@telus.net) but they’re free
- Location – Winslow Centre (1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam)
- Here are some up-coming workshops put on by Youth Matters:
 - Monday, March 8th - Teen Depression (what is teen depression, signs, what you can do as a parent, local resources)
 - Monday, April 12th - Technology Trends
 - Monday, May 10th - Drug Awareness
 - Monday, June 14th - Eating Disorders
 - All workshops are held from 7pm to 8:30pm at the Gathering Place in Port Coquitlam.
 - Those interested can register through email at blewis counselling@gmail.com.
- Further details to come for all of these

Networking

- 12 PACs in the province have sent letters to the ministry regarding gaming and other funding cutbacks
 - Encouraging PACs to write letters to Minister of Education so that we have a bigger voice
 - See BCCPAC (<http://www.bccpac.bc.ca>) website for a form letter



Ongoing Events

Collection of **Campbell Soup Labels**

Collection of **metal tabs** for Shriners

Collection of used **ziplock bags** from hot lunch and fundraisers for general reuse can be found by the Parent Library.

GARDEN CLUB

With all our wonderful weather in the past few weeks, Garden Club has started our spring outdoor clean up, and if you can believe it, all the bulbs are poking through the ground. It should only be a matter of a week before we see a lot of colour in the courtyard. Our next meeting was February 25, 2010 and we will be planting new flowers in the flower bins in front of the school. Look for a little colour to brighten your day as you enter the front doors.

A list of needed items will be going home soon. We could really use these items in the garden club. Please let us know if you have any items on the list that you are able to donate, used or new.

Thank you so much, and good gardening

Michelle Oucharek-Deo, mlod@telus.net

FRUIT AND VEGGIES

This month we enjoyed kiwi fruit and fresh whole pears. Unfortunately, no utensils were supplied for the kiwi fruit so many of you may have seen them come home with your children. The pears were delicious and very much enjoyed by the students. Thank you to all the grade 5 students that do such a great job helping with the delivery of the fruits and vegetables.

Thank you,
Fruit and Veggie Team

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Please contact Deb Demers at demersfamilyednw@hotmail.com if you are interested in helping out with future volunteer opportunities. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

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 pm, or as noted. **Babysitting is provided**, unless otherwise noted.

~~September 14, 2009~~

~~October 5, 2009~~

~~November 2, 2009~~

~~December 7, 2009 (Social @ SAMZ Pub)~~

~~January 11, 2010~~

~~February 1, 2010~~

March 1, 2010

April 12, 2010

May 3, 2010 (Elections)

June 7, 2010 (Budget)

June ??, 2010 (Social @ tbd)

Check out upcoming meeting agendas & past minutes, as well as archived KPAC newsletters at:
<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/kilmer/Parents/PAC/Pages/default.aspx>