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KPAC News

February 28, 2011

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

CHAIR'S REPORT

Thank you to all the Kilmer families for allowing me to be the Chair of your PAC. I think that it is important for parents/grandparents/guardians to get involved in the activities at the school. We have a number of great volunteers at our school who make all of the events happen – much thanks to all of you. I realize that our lives are very busy and I don't know if you all realize that you are a welcome member of the PAC as soon as your child is enrolled in the school.

Currently the PAC is contemplating the purchase of a mobile computer lab. This is a very costly purchase and we, as a school, have to come to the decision of whether or not this will happen for our kids. These decisions are not made lightly but with a lot of research and careful consideration. This motion will be put to a vote at a PAC meeting and the majority will get what they vote for. More information will be presented at the next few PAC meetings and then it will be put to a vote. I hope that you can attend some meetings to see what this is all about and hopefully attend the meeting at which the vote will be taken.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next few meetings and thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Thank you,

Rose Shaw, les.shaw@shaw.ca

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

Thank you so much to the fundraising team for putting on a very fun family dance. Also, thank you to all the families that attended and helped support PAC. It was great to see everyone's dancing skills!

Thank you also to the dedicated group of parents who attend the PAC meetings each month. Hopefully we will see some new faces as spring is always a busy time for PAC with elections and the possibility of fundraising for new computers.

Thank you.

Kim Becker, wynne01@telus.net

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We've just finished our February Hot Lunch with *Taco Del Mar* which is always a favourite with the kids. Our next Hot Lunch is soon – it's a week earlier than usual because of Spring Break. This Hot Lunch is also a favourite - *Little Caesar's Pizza* - and will be on Friday, March 18. Orders due Friday, March 11th.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that this will be my last year as the Hot Lunch Coordinator. I have really enjoyed volunteering with Hot Lunch for the last 5 years and have made many good friends and learned so much about the Kilmer community. It has been a great experience. If you are at all interested in the position, or would like to enquire more about what is involved, please email me. Hot Lunch is well organized and we have a great team of parents who all have specific tasks so you won't have to DO all the work, just coordinate it. I will finish off this year and would like to start working alongside/training someone soon who would enjoy taking over. I will still be involved in the Hot Lunch Program next year, but just not as the Coordinator, so I will be around to help.

Please give it some thought and ask me any questions. Thank-you for your continued support.

Yvonne Greentree, <u>ylg@shaw.ca</u>

Hot Lunch Coordinator



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Mar./Apr. Events

Garden Club

12:15pm every Monday

KPAC Meeting

Monday, Mar. 7th

Popcorn Day

Thurs., Mar. 17th Thurs., Apr. 28th Tues., May.24th

Hot Lunch Orders Due

Fri.. March 11th

Hot Lunch

Fri., March 18th

Crafty Kids and Parents

Fri., March 18th, 5:30-10pm

DDA Clothing Drive

Wed., Apr.13th, 8-10a

Kilmer Garage Sale

Sat., Jun.4th

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all those who showed support and were able to come out to the **Scrap-booking and Vendor Fair** as well as our **Family Dance**. Between the two events, we raised approximately \$800 for the kids. Family Dance was attended by close to 100 people! We had a fantastic evening!

Please mark your calendars for the last events of this year!

DDA - Clothing Drive - Wednesday, April 13th, drop off only between 8-10 am

Crafty Kids and Parents - Friday, March 18th, \$5 drop in from 5:30pm - 10pm.

Popcorn day has been a great success so far this year with the children. Great job team! Thank you to the team who have helped thus far. We could use a bit more help as not everyone's schedule permits them to volunteer each month. Help is needed from 9am-1pm popping, bagging and cleaning, or from 11:50am - 12:20pm for classroom delivery. We are especially short-handed in March. Please contact Jasmine if you can help.

Remaining Popcorn days are the following Thursdays:

• March 17th

• April 28th

• May 26th

Purdy's Chocolates - For Easter

Garage Sale – Saturday, June 4th - Donations accepted the week prior only and volunteers will be needed.

Thanks everyone for your continued support! Susan, Jasmine, Shelley, Candice and Rachelle

Susan Deyotte Candice Miller suedeyotte@shaw.ca clmiller7@gmail.com

Rachelle Jadot Jass thejadots@gmail.com jazz

Jasmine Parker jazzparker@shaw.ca

GARDEN CLUB

Garden Club is up and running and we are getting started with planting seeds next week. We should be able to get them in the ground for April after our return from Spring Break.

The kids are also planning a little sale of Pumpkin and Sweet-Pea Seedlings. We will see what else grows for us this season. All proceeds will go back into our garden club fund to help pay for our new garden beds and tools.

It is going to be a great garden season. Please keep collecting those toilet rolls as we are using them as seed starting containers. Also if you have any old 500 ml sour cream or yogurt containers, or any clear plastic salad containers, they would be much appreciated.

Well, the results are in for your kids' *Best and Worst picks for Veggies*. They were asked to draw their top three favourite veggies and top two worst veggies. The results are fascinating. As you can see, number three on both charts is the same. It goes to show that we just have to keep trying everything. Every few months cycle in a different veggie just for fun!!

Top 5 Favourite Veggies

- 1. Carrots
- 2. Corn
- 3. Tie between Broccoli and Tomatoes (I know surprising!!!)
- 4. Mushrooms
- 5. Tie between Peas and Lettuce

Top 5 Worst Veggies

- 1. Mushrooms
- 2. Brussel Sprouts
- 3. Tie between Broccoli and Tomatoes
- 4. Lettuce
- 5. Eggplant, Onion, Radish, Peas, Corn, Squash

Enjoy the season as the flowers start to bloom. Snowdrops are coming out as we speak and the Crocus are not far behind!!

Regards,

Michelle Oucharek-Deo, mlod@telus.net, Garden Club Coordinator

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Ongoing Events

Collection of Campbell Soup Labels

Collection of **metal tabs** for Shriners

Collection of **Canadian Tire Money** for Emergency Prep.

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

CANADIAN PARENTS for FRENCH (CPF)

The Tri-Cities CPF sponsored a performance by Will Stroet for French Immersion students on Monday, February 21. Will Stroet is a bilingual children's musician and had the kids up and dancing and singing French songs. Thanks to all of the parents who volunteered to drive the kids to the show.

SOUTHSIDE FAMILY OF SCHOOLS PARENT EDUCATON (SFSPE)

We will be meeting this Wednesday, 6pm, at Kwayhquitlum Middle School. This is a dinner meeting – thanks to Kwayhquitlum for providing the pizza – at which we will be discussing plans for next year and debriefing this year's events. If you have any Parent Education issues that you would like to see for the following year, please email me your ideas.

Also, ask me for more details if you are interested in being the SFSPE REP for Kilmer next year. It is a great opportunity to find out first what is happening in our community. Meetings only convene about every 6 weeks with 3 planned guest speakers per year.

Rachelle, thejadots@gmail.com

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 13, 2010 October 4, 2010 November 1, 2010 December 6, 2010 (Social) January 10, 2011

February 7, 2011
March 7, 2011
April 4, 2011
May 2, 2011 (Elections)
June 6, 2011 (Budget & 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