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KPAC News

September 19, 2011

Next Meeting: Monday, October 3rd, 7 p.m., Kilmer Library

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hello Kilmer families and welcome to the 2011-2012 school year. We've seen a big change in the KPAC this year as dedicated parents who have been carrying the ball for several years hand over the reigns to new parents. As the new Chair I want to say a big **THANK YOU** to the outgoing KPAC parents. You have done a great job and left the PAC in a very strong and well-organized position.

Communication between parents and the KPAC will be tough this year as teachers restrict administrative tasks. We will be relying heavily on our wonderful class reps to organize the class email and pass out notices or collections. Have a look at the list of divisions that don't have reps yet. If your child's class doesn't have a rep and you would like to help you can email me and I'll add you to our list.

The first thing we need from our class reps is to collect the family email contact information from your class so we will be able to compile all the names into a KPAC database. After that your main role is informing parents of current events and collecting their feedback to the KPAC - this amounts to only a few hours per school year. Class reps also handle organizing class parties and you can ask your child's teacher the details. You are also asked to attend the monthly KPAC meeting. It is a great way to start volunteering in your child's school. Sharing class rep duties between two parents is also a great idea for busy families.

Div.1	M. Mackenzie	Rose Shaw	Div 2	Mrs. Togno	Jasmine Parker
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Div 9	Mme. Malkoff	VACANT	Div.10	Ms. Prchalova	Cathy Willis
Div 11	Ms. Craig	VACANT	Div 12	Mme James	Mark Burchak
Div.13	Mme Bouvier	VACANT	Div.14	Mrs. Smith/ Mrs. Johnston	VACANT

Please check our KPAC webpage (link at end of newsletter) for electronic copies of newsletters, hot lunch forms, calendar of events, and various information.

I've learned a lot about what makes Kilmer run by coming to general meetings; it's been a real eye-opener. I urge parents to speak with the KPAC executive and committee members, ask questions and be involved. I hope to see you at the next KPAC general meeting on Monday, October 3rd at 7:00PM in the library. **FREE** Childcare provided.

Colin Aspinall, colin_aspinall@hotmail.com
KPAC Chair

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

A warm welcome to all new and returning Kilmer families. I hope you all had a wonderful summer. New families are in for a treat – we are blessed with excellent staff, great parents, and awesome kids here.

I'd like to invite parents to check out PAC events and meetings – fresh ideas, suggestions and help are most welcome. One of the most effective ways to teach children is to lead by example. If we can show our kids that spending our time and energy at Kilmer is time well spent, we can help sow the seeds of positive attitudes about school and learning. Even if your busy schedule is overflowing, sometimes a little participation can make a big difference. Come on out and share in the **FUN!**

Thank you,
Thaddeus Seidler, thadseidler@live.com



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Upcoming Events

Hot Lunch Orders Due

Thur., Sept.22

Garden Club & Signup

Mon., Sept.26, 12:15p

Hot Lunch

Fri., Sept.30

KPAC Meeting

Mon., Oct.3, 7pm

Chocolate Available

Mon., Oct.3

Popcorn Day

Fri., Oct.7

Chocolate Funds Return

Mon., Oct.17

Halloween Dance

end of Oct. - TBA

Popcorn Day

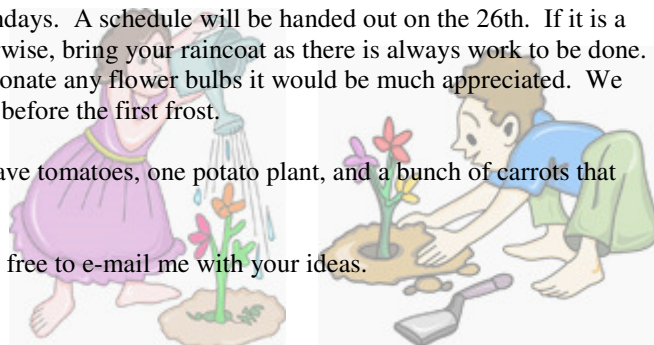
Fri. Nov.4th

Fri. Dec.2nd

GARDEN CLUB

Hello everyone. My name is Michelle Oucharek-Deo, the kids call me Mrs. D or Mrs. Deo. I have been running the Garden Club since April '08. I have two wonderful parent helpers and always welcome more.

Well, it's that time again and "**Kilmer's Little Village**", the name of our Garden in the courtyard at the centre of the school, is in need of some loving care. Garden Club sign-up will be starting on September 26 at lunch time after the children eat for students in Gr.1-5. Fall Garden club is a commitment from September until December and runs most Mondays. A schedule will be handed out on the 26th. If it is a stormy day Garden Club is held indoors, otherwise, bring your raincoat as there is always work to be done. If parents have any extra garden tools or can donate any flower bulbs it would be much appreciated. We will be doing our fall planting in mid-October before the first frost.



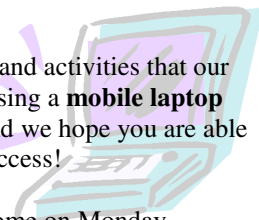
If you get a chance to visit the courtyard we have tomatoes, one potato plant, and a bunch of carrots that will be coming up soon.

If you have a questions or thoughts please feel free to e-mail me with your ideas.

Michelle Oucharek-Deo, mlod@telus.net

FUNDRAISING

Welcome to the new school year. In addition to raising money for many resources and activities that our kids enjoy at Kilmer, we are going to be focusing our fundraising efforts on purchasing a **mobile laptop lab**. The Kilmer fundraising committee met in June to plan this year's activities, and we hope you are able to participate in these important initiatives - your participation is essential to our success!



We are starting the year off with a **chocolate almond sale**. A notice will be sent home on Monday, September 26 that will give you the option of purchasing a case of chocolate almonds for \$75 (25 boxes per case, \$3 per box). This fundraiser could potentially raise more than a quarter of the cost of the laptops so we encourage you to participate. There will be prizes for the top three classes who sell the most chocolates. The cases will be available starting on Monday, October 3, and the money raised will be due back by Monday, October 17. You are under no obligation to sell the chocolates. If you are unable to sell all or any of your chocolates we would ask you to return the unsold chocolates as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Lenihan, debbielenihan@hotmail.com.

Popcorn days are back! Kids have the opportunity to buy a bag of popcorn for \$1. The fall dates for popcorn days will be the 1st Friday of each month: October 7, November 4 and December 2. We need volunteers! Please contact Jasmine Parker, jazzparker@shaw.ca, if you can help.



We will also be hosting a family **Halloween dance** at the end of October - details to come soon.

If you have any fundraising suggestions or ideas, please contact any member of the fundraising team:

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PARENT LIBRARY

The Kilmer Parent Library is located in the hallway, adjacent to the main office. You can sign out books on a variety of parenting subjects. For your convenience, our catalogue of titles is available on the KPAC website. Please check out this great resource.

http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/kilmer/Parents/PAC/PAC%20Constitution/KPAC_ParentLib_110505.pdf

Have a great day,
Thad Seidler, thadseidler@live.com





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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.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We are ready to begin Kilmer's Hot Lunch Program for another successful year and are very excited to have some new vendors joining us. Our monthly Hot Lunch is an effective and fun way to raise funds for the school. Though our prices do include a small mark up, we will do our best to make the meals affordable for everyone. Our goal is to provide healthy and nutritious options that will offer choices to suit all families.

On the last Friday of the month, volunteers will deliver a lunch to students who have placed their orders the week before. Please note that there are no extra lunches available that day and anyone not ordering will have to provide their own lunch.

Our first Hot Lunch of the year is coming up quickly - Friday, September 30th. We are pleased to offer pizza from **Pizza Hut**. The forms have gone out today with a due date of Thursday, September 22nd (please note the Pro-D day on Friday).

Just a reminder, there are no special orders, no refunds, and no late orders. Payment can be made by exact change or cheque made out to *Kilmer PAC*. Please send payment to school in an envelope or plastic bag.

As always volunteers are needed to help with Hot Lunch. If you are able to lend a helping hand that will be greatly appreciated. Several divisions are currently looking for volunteers. Please contact either Viktoria Simek at vsimek@telus.net or Debby Moran at debbybondi@hotmail.com with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your help.

The Hot Lunch Team

CANADIAN PARENTS for FRENCH (CPF)

CPF is a parent-led, non-profit organization that provides **French-language educational, social, cultural and sporting activities for youth**. The Tri-Cities chapter will be distributing welcome packages to the new Kindergarten students enrolled in French Immersion soon. Included in the package will be information about CPF and a registration form to become a CPF member at a discounted rate. More information is available at <http://www.cpf.bc.ca/>.

Interested in brushing up on your French? **French lessons** are being offered at the Maillardville French Centre. Classes are offered at three levels, from beginner to conversational French, and will begin Oct. 4th. Cost: \$100 for Société francophone de Maillardville members. Membership is available: \$10 yearly. Please register before September 16th. Space is limited.

CPF Tri-Cities is hosting a **Tae Kwon Do** night on Friday, September 30th at Place Maillardville from 5-7pm. There are sessions for kids ages 3 - 18 and a session for the whole family. Each session will allow for a maximum of 50 people except for JiuJitsu which can only allow 20 people, so it will be on a first come basis. Email tricitescpf@gmail.com to confirm your attendance. Please indicate which session(s) and how many will attend. The cost is \$5 per person and the raffle tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Session descriptions:

1st ½ hour: 5:00 – 5:25pm – Tiny Tigers – ages 3 - 6

Basic Techniques, some street smart self-defence, and front kick board break.
We will raffle 1 Taekwondo Birthday Party for each date.

2nd ½ hour: 5:30 to 5:55pm – Karate for Kids – ages 7-12

Basic Techniques, Wrist locks, Front kick/Elbow strike board break.
We will raffle 1 basic program for each date.

3rd ½ hour: 6:00 – 6:25pm – ages 13 – 18

Brazillian JiuJitsu – ground fighting.

We will raffle 1 uniform for anyone that signs up for a course in JiuJitsu.

4th ½ hour: 6:30 – 6:55pm – all ages including adults

This is great for families wanting a family activity. We will combine all of the above depending on who signs up. We will raffle 1 upgraded Taekwondo program.

We hope to see you there!



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KPAC MEETINGS

First Monday each month
7pm, Kilmer Library
Free childminding

- ~~September 12, 2011~~
- **October 3, 2011**
- November 7, 2011
- December 5, 2011
- January 9, 2012
- February 6, 2012
- March 5, 2012
- April 2, 2012
- May 7, 2012
(?Elections?)
- June 4, 2012
(?Social? @ ??)

CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS

Wow, a new year has begun already. Hope you all had a great summer and have been saving all those **Campbell's Soup** and **Goldfish Cracker** labels along with all those other eligible products. For all the new parents, by collecting labels from eligible Campbell products, we can qualify for neat items. A complete list of labels that we are collecting can be found at www.labelsforeducation.ca or in the Campbell's Soup Can by the office. This is also where you can drop off your labels. Let's see what fun items we can get for the school this year!!!

Thanks so much,
Moe and Della, moejol@hotmail.com



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

In the next few weeks, we will be sending out our notice for a **\$2 donation** for the Kilmer Emergency Preparedness Program. In case of any emergencies or disasters, a simple **comfort kit** has been set up in each classroom for the students consisting of blankets, flashlights, food, water, etc. With the sale of last year's food, and the change in your pocket, we are then able to replenish the food for the coming year for the entire school.

We also welcome your donations of **Canadian Tire Money** in the bin by the front office.

Thank you for your support and **Let's be prepared!**

Emergency Prep Team,
Susan Deyotte, Anna Sato, Alana Stevens & Candice Miller



SOUTHSIDE FAMILY OF SCHOOLS PARENT EDUCATION (SFSPE)

In October the Southside Family of Schools will be hosting a Parent Education night on "**Kids and Drugs**". The location will be either Central or Riverside School. A Facebook page is coming and we have added the SFS to the school website as well. There will be 3 Parent Ed. Nights this year offered at a nominal cost of \$3 per person or \$5 for a couple.

Please watch your email for the October notice and send in your registration to the KPAC mailbox, or via your child's class collection box. Childcare is also provided at these events free of charge which usually go from 6:45 - 8:45 "ish".

If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to email Rachele @ thejadots@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERING

Interested in volunteering for any of our upcoming events at Kilmer? Please send me your email address and I will send out requests for different volunteer opportunities that come up. Often they can be a one time commitment of only a couple of hours, but any help is always appreciated!

Thanks,
Cathy, puckheads@shaw.ca

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. **Childminding is provided.** Please check the sidebar for upcoming dates.

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>