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KPAC News

February 10, 2012

Next Meeting: Monday, March 5th, 7 p.m., Kilmer Library

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hello Kilmer parents,

I'm pleased to report that the Surplus Committee has completed its research and presented a list of possible options on where to spend unbudgeted general account funds. This list will be coming home soon for you to review and return to the committee with your input on what you think the priorities should be. Based on parent ranking of these priorities the top three items will be presented at the March 5th general meeting.

The first order of business at the March general meeting will be to make a plan for the account surplus that is in line with parents' priorities. If you haven't been to a meeting this year and would like to then I would recommend this next one because we have some important decisions to make. As always the more parent involvement we have the more closely the KPAC can represent all parents.

On that note I would also encourage you to take advantage of the KPAC driven activities and fundraisers that are planned for the rest of the year; the details follow later in the newsletter. It's a great way to get out with your family, meet other parents, and support a healthy and active parent community.

Colin Aspinall, colin_aspinall@hotmail.com
KPAC Chair

FUNDRAISING

Thanks to everyone who participated in the clothing drive -**we raised \$252**. Unfortunately, we did not get the much needed 151 to earn \$3/bag so we only received \$2/bag - maybe next time! Also a special thanks to Mr. Vincent, Sheila Tremblay, Wing Yu, as well as our energetic Kilmer students **Avery E., Lia J. and Adrienne W.** who helped to carry all the bags.

Coming soon is the **family craft afternoon** on Friday, February 10th from 3 pm to 6 pm. We will meet in the library, and, as always, this activity is a parent guided activity. Please bring in your own crafts or scrapbooking materials to work on. The fee is \$5 per person and can be paid at the door, but please contact Rachelle (thejadots@gmail.com, 604-552-7435) so that we have an idea of how many people to expect.

The next family craft event will take place on Friday, March 30 - details to come soon.

We will also be hosting a **Pub Night** on **Saturday, March 31** at the *Cat and Fiddle Pub*, which will coincide with a Canucks game. Notices will go home on Monday, February 29. Start gathering your friends and family for this fun night out.

The fundraising committee is planning a **Carnival** for **Saturday, June 2** from 12:00 - 4:00 pm. This will be a great afternoon to spend with your family while having fun with pony rides, carnival games, bouncy castles, face painting and more. We will also need volunteers to help with this event. Please contact Cathy Willis (puckheads@shaw.ca) or Susan Deyotte (suedeyotte@shaw.ca) if you'd like to help.

Thank you from the Fundraising Group.

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Popcorn Day

Thank-you to all the new and regular volunteers that came out to help with Popcorn Day on Friday, February 3rd. The day went as successful as past Popcorn Days. The next Popcorn Day is Friday, March 2nd and it costs \$1.00 a bag. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Jasmine.

Thank you Jasmine Parker, jazzparker@shaw.ca



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Upcoming Events

CPF Camp Reg. Opens

Sun., Jan. 22, 9am

Kids Scrapbook Nite

Fri., Feb. 10, 3-6pm

Southside Parent Ed.

Tues., Feb. 21

Hot Lunch

Fri., Feb. 24

Garden Club Sign Up

Feb. 27, Noon

Popcorn Dayt

Mar. 2, Noon

CPF Parents Night Out

Mar. 2, 5-9pm

Festival du Bois @

Mackin Park

Mar. 3-4

Garden Club Startup

Mar. 5, Noon

KPAC Meeting

Mon., Mar. 5, 7pm

KPAC Pub Night @

Cat and Fiddle Pub

Sat., Mar. 31,

KPAC Carnival

Sat., Jun. 2, Noon-4pm

SURPLUS COMMITTEE

The Surplus Committee has completed putting the Survey together for all Parents and Caregivers of Kilmer Elementary. This is your chance to let us know how you think the Surplus of \$6,000 should be spent. The Survey will go home on February 10th. We are asking you to return the Survey by February 24th. Three of the most popular items chosen will be put on a voting ballot for the March 5th KPAC meeting. The vote will be held at the beginning of the meeting. All KPAC meetings are held in the Library and start at 7 pm. Babysitting is available and paid for by your PAC. We encourage you to get out and vote.

Thank you,
The Surplus Committee

GARDEN CLUB

Well, it is that time of year again and the *Kilmer Garden Club* is calling all gardeners, big and small, to come and be part of our spring flower project. There is going to be planting, learning, hard work and a lot of fun.

Sign up for Garden Club will be **February 27th** at lunch in the Court Yard after the lunch bell or in the Library if it is raining. Our **first day** of gardening will take place on **March 5th**. Gardening club is open to Grades 1-5, but in **June I** will be having a special garden club day for **Kindergarteners** to introduce them to our *Kilmer's Little Village*.

Donations of garden tools (small shovels) and children's garden gloves needed. If there are any parents who would like to participate you are more than welcome to become part of our team. At times we can get upwards of 60 kids participating - wonderful, but a few extra hands would be helpful.

Garden Club takes place on Mondays at lunch in the Court Yard after the bell. After Spring Break the club will run weekly through to mid-June.

Michelle Oucharek-Deo, mlod@telus.net

Mrs. Deo (as the kids know me)

Garden Club Coordinator



February 2012 - Chapter Bulletin:

- Registration for BC **French Summer camp** is now open. To register and for more information please visit: <http://bit.ly/BCfamilyfrenchcamp> .
- The next "**Parents Night Out**" is held on **Friday, March 2nd, 2012** at *Place Maillardville*, 1200 Cartier Avenue from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Email us at tricitescpf@gmail.com to secure your child's place today.
- **Festival du Bois** is held on **March 3 and 4, 2012** at *Mackin Park*. Canadian Parents for French will have a table in the main tent. We will have draws, one of which is a 1 year membership. Be sure to check out CPF at the Festival du Bois.
- If you would like to volunteer with Canadian Parents for French, please email us at tricitescpf@gmail.com.

Free Rosetta Stone French-language courses available through CIDES

For adults who would like to take an introductory French-language course, the Central Interior Distance Education School (CIDES) offers FREE Rosetta Stone online learning courses. From their website: "*Use Rosetta Stone™ online to learn a language in the privacy of your home or office. Rosetta is a fun, interactive and proven way to learn. At CIDES, we partner with Rosetta Stone to offer BC Ministry of Education language courses for credit. And best of all, it's FREE to adults living in British Columbia.*"

Please visit the CIDES website <http://bit.ly/CIDESRosetta> for more information. To learn more about Rosetta Stone™ visit <http://www.rosettastone.com/>

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Ongoing Events

Collection of **Campbell Soup Labels**

Collection of **metal tabs** for Shriners

Collection of **Canadian Tire Money**

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

Collection of used **batteries** for recycling in front hallway.

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? @ ??)

HOT LUNCH

We are well into our busy school year and our last hot lunch on January 20th was hot dogs and sushi from Sashimi Sushi. It was very popular with the kids. Having to prepare over 130 hot dogs and making sure they are nice and warm for the students is a lot of work so a great big **thank you** to **Susan Deyotte** and **Livian Smith** for your help.

Our next hot lunch is on **February 24th** and is featuring a new vendor, **KFC**. Ven, the manager from Taco Bell/KFC, did such a great job at our November hot lunch we decided to have him again. Along with the ever so popular chicken, we have decided to try a few new sides.

Thank you Kilmer Parents for being so accommodating with the changes we have made to the hot lunch forms. Due to the positive feedback with the hot lunch forms, we have decided to continue the 2-in-1 format. The next form will be coming out at the end of the month.

As always, thank you to all the parents who come together to pull off hot lunch for our kids whether it be delivery to class, shopping, tallies, counting many, many coins, or sorting out food on the actual day. We truly appreciate all you do.

We are still looking for someone to fill the position of **shopper**. If you LOVE to shop and would like to be part of the Hot Lunch team, please contact either vsimek@telus.net or debbybondi@hotmail.com for more information.

Thank you for your continued support.
Debby Moran and Viktoria Simek

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>



Is proud to present...

"New Ministry of Education Directions" What Can We Expect for Our Children?

Rod Allen, Superintendent of Student Achievement for the Ministry of Education
will give an overview of the new ministry directions and;

Maureen Dockendorf, Assistant Superintendent and Ministry Advisor
will talk about the changes specific to curriculum and assessment.

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

6:45 - 8:30 p.m.

Central Elementary School (in the Gym)

2260 Central Ave., Port Coquitlam

\$5 per couple/\$3 per single

- **FREE Childminding available** (with advance registration by Feb. 15th)
 - Advance registration required
 - Light refreshments provided

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New Ministry of Education Directions, Feb. 21, 2012, Central Elementary School, 6:45-8:30pm

PARENTS' NAME(S): _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____

Number attending: _____ Number and age(s) of children requiring minding: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ E-MAIL (to send reminder): _____

Please return this registration to your school office by Wed., Feb. 15, 2012.

Cheques can be made payable to 'SFSPE' or 'Southside Family of Schools Parent Education'.

Alternatively, register in advance by email to ssfspe@gmail.com with your name(s), number of adults attending, name of child's school, and the age(s) of any of child(ren) requiring child minding and bring your payment to the event.