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KPAC News

March 08, 2012

Next Meeting: Monday, April 2nd, 7 p.m., Kilmer Library

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hello Kilmer parents,

The teachers' strike has forced the cancellation of our March KPAC general meeting. We have an important presentation on the survey results from the **Surplus Funds Committee** and I want to make sure you have the best chance to be a part of the decision-making. Many of us are scrambling to find child-care and simply were not able to find the time to come out this week so we'll make that the first item on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting on April 2nd.

For parents of grade 5 students heading to **Pitt River Middle School** next year there will be an information session this coming Wednesday, March 7th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. It will be held in the Pitt River gym at 2070 Tyner Street. The Pitt River website describes it as "A chance for incoming Grade 5s and their parents to hear some information about the school and ask questions."

Please fill out and return your **Hot Lunch** (*Subway*) and **Pub Night** forms on Thursday or Friday of this week. With March Break starting after this week it is your last chance to get them both in. I looked at the schedule and there's a Canucks game being played on Pub Night so come out, have fun, and cheer on your team while supporting the many benefits that the KPAC brings to Kilmer students. If you have misplaced your forms, please find them on the KPAC webpage as attachments to each event in the Calendar. Simply click, download, print, fill-out and return.

Colin Aspinall, colin_aspinall@hotmail.com
KPAC Chair

FUNDRAISING

The KPAC is hosting a **pub night** at 6:00 pm on **Saturday, March 31** at the *Cat and Fiddle Pub*, which will coincide with a Canucks game. Notices went home on Monday, February 29 and need to be returned by Friday, March 9 (last day of school before spring break). Tickets are \$12 per person and include a burger and a drink. Start gathering your friends and family for this fun night out. For more information, please contact Lesley Corr, lesley72@shaw.ca

The fundraising committee is planning a **Carnival** for **Saturday, June 2** from Noon - 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. If you have any questions please contact Susan Deyotte (suedeyotte@shaw.ca) for general inquiries, Cathy Willis (puckheads@shaw.ca) to volunteer or Rachelle Jadot (thejadots@gmail.com) or Candice Miller (cmiller7@gmail.com) for raffle prize donations.

Thank you from the Fundraising Group.

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Upcoming Events

Pitt River Middle Info Session

Weds., Mar. 7, 6:30-8pm

Maypole Meeting

Fri., March 9

Hot Lunch Form Due

Fri., March 9

Pub Night Form Due

Fri., March 9

French Scholastic Book Fair

March 27, 9am-4pm
March 28, 9am-4pm
March 29, 9am-4pm &
5:30-7:30pm

KPAC Pub Night @ Cat and Fiddle Pub

Sat., Mar. 31,

KPAC Meeting

Mon., Apr. 2, 7pm

English Scholastic Book Fair

April 23, 9am-4pm
April 24, 9am-4pm &
5:30-7:30pm
April 25, 9am-4pm

KPAC Carnival

Sat., Jun. 2, Noon-4pm

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT / PARENT LIBRARY

Thank you to those that offered to help out at the **FRENCH SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**. It has been rescheduled till after spring break. Please mark your calendars for **March 27, 28 and 29th** with **Family Night** on evening of **Thursday the 29th** from **5:30 pm to 7:30 pm**. All other days will be open for sales during **recess, lunch and after school**. Volunteer spots still available. Please contact Rachelle Jadot, theadjados@gmail.com or 604-552-7435 if you can help out during this event. Grade 4 or 5 FRENCH students are welcome to help.

Then quickly coming up next will be the **ENGLISH SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**. Dates are scheduled for **April 23, 24, and 25**, with **Family Night** on **Tuesday the 24th**, **5:30 pm - 7:30 pm**. Parent volunteers required and grade 4/5 English students are great helpers too!

Rachelle Jadot per Thaddeus Seidler

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

FSA's (Foundation Skills Assessment) are nearly completed with just a few kids still to finish. Individual results and booklets will be sent home to the parents of students who wrote the FSA's.

Maypole dancing practices will start up after Spring Break but the initial meeting will be on **Friday, March 9th**. A big thank you to **Sandra Gagne** and **Tracy Essex** for coming back to Kilmer for another year of Maypole dancing instruction.

Bill 22 is legislation being introduced by the Provincial Liberals with respect to the teacher's strike, and currently being debated as we speak. If you would like to learn more about it you can find information on Bill 22 here: http://www.leg.bc.ca/39th4th/1st_read/gov22-1.htm

Remi Collins, rcollins@sd43.bc.ca
Kilmer Principal

HOT LUNCH

It is hard to believe that we are in the home stretch of the school year, and now just need the weather to prove to us that Spring really is here. The forms for March only have already gone out for **Subway Hot Lunch on Friday, March 30th**, which is the first Friday back from Spring Break. Please be reminded that the forms are due this **Friday, March 9th**. Due to Spring Break, no late orders can be accepted. If you are missing the form, it can be downloaded from the PAC website.

We are starting to plan for next year. Since we have a few team members who will be leaving us as their kids will be moving on to middle school, we will need some new parents to join the great team that we have. If you have been thinking about getting involved, Hot Lunch is a great place to start. Please let us know if you are interested.

Thanks,
Debby Moran & Viktoria Simek

SouthSide Family of Schools
Parent Education

Unfortunately, our last presentation scheduled for Tuesday, February 21st was cancelled due to very low pre- registration. It was the "**New Ministry of Education Directions**" **What Can We Expect For Our Children** presentation by **Rod Allen**, Superintendent of Student Achievement for the Ministry of Education, and **Maureen Dockendorf**, Assistant Superintendent and Ministry Advisor. They were going to talk about the "New 21st Century Learning." We hope to reschedule the presentation in partnership with the DPAC in the new year. Our last meeting of the year is scheduled for **Weds., March 7th** and if you have any suggestions or comments you would like me share with the committee, please send them my way.

Thank you on behalf of Southside Family of Schools Parent Education.
Rachelle Jadot, theadjados@gmail.com - 604-552-7435

DPAC REPORT

The District Parent Advisory Council for School District 43 Executive (DPAC43) has two new ways to allow parents to keep current with its information and activities. They are:

- 1) the newly revamped DPAC43 **website**
- 2) the DPAC43 **Facebook** page.

The link to the DPAC **website** is: <http://inspire.dpac43.org/> and I highly encourage you to visit it.

The **Facebook** page is simply called “**DPAC43**”. This page is regularly updated to include:

- Relevant & timely information regarding the many initiatives, programs and goings-on taking place in this amazing school district of ours
- Information received at the monthly general meetings from our superintendent & other speakers
- News/updates from BCCPAC (B.C. Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils)
- Links to relevant articles, updates, messages, resources on various websites including School District 43, DPAC 43, BCCPAC, Ministry of Education etc.

If you take a minute to “like” the Facebook page you will then see updates to the page in your Facebook newsfeed. Most important though is making you aware that this information is out there, right at your fingertips. Even if you aren’t a Facebook user, you can still view the page – it will appear just like any other website at this link

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/DPAC-43-District-Parent-Advisory-Council/228435917213186>

GARDEN CLUB

Well Garden Club is up and running. We had our first day of Spring sign-up on February 27th and have about 40 children. We are going to start a new process when we get back from Spring Break and split the kids by grade on alternate Mondays - grades 1-2 will be on the 1st Monday and grades 3, 4, & 5 will be on the next. I will make sure that there are regular announcements so that the children will know when they will be coming. I will have a few days with both groups and will make sure that everyone knows about those in advance. We are offering any of our Grade 4 and 5's in Garden club who want to get more leadership experience to come as Garden Helpers on the Grade 1 and 2 days.

If you have an extra rake, shovel or broom, we can always use those. If you could pick up a pair of garden gloves for your little gardener that would be very helpful. We have some gloves, but not quite enough.

Also, we are going to start a little landscaping work in the courtyard. A parent is generously donating wood to make the garden boxes and pavers to create some new usable areas. Please stay tuned as we are going to set one work day aside, probably a Saturday, and try to get it all done that day. We are going to need parental help to get this job done but, when completed, everyone in the school will benefit.

Thank you and if you have any thoughts or questions please contact me.

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

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>



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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? @ ??)