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KPAC News

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

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hello Kilmer parents,

We had another good KPAC meeting this past Monday night with many parents coming out as well as some new faces. We had a few items to go over but the first order of business was the presentation by the **Surplus Funds Committee**. After gathering input from Kilmer parents the committee had three top recommendations that were voted on by secret ballot. The result is that we will be purchasing more **swings** for the playground! I'm sure the kids will be really excited - their wait times will be much shorter!

On the 7th of May we will have our KPAC Annual General Meeting and you are invited to attend. As part of this meeting we will be holding *elections* for next year's KPAC executive committee. The responsibilities for each executive member are posted on the Kilmer PAC page under "*KPAC Constitution Bylaws-Revised 2007*". Please contact me or come to the meeting if you are interested in being part of the team for the 2012-2013 school year.

The **BCCPAC** has dedicated a section of their website to keeping parents of BC students informed about the current labour dispute between the BC Teachers' Federation and the Ministry of Education. Go to **www.bccpac.bc.ca** and follow the link to Bill 22 for more information.

Colin Aspinall, **colin_aspinall@hotmail.com** KPAC Chair

FUNDRAISING

Thanks to everyone who came out on Saturday for the **KPAC Pub Night** at the *Cat and Fiddle*. We raised just over \$2000! A very big thank you to *Gary Corr* for getting all of the great donations for our raffle.

The **Kilmer Spring Carnival** is fast approaching on Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 12 - 4 pm. We will be having pony rides, carnival games, bouncy castles, face painting, dunk tank, cake walk and much more. We will be asking for volunteers to help out at the carnival, with cake walk and raffle basket donations. The basket donation items can be something that goes towards your class theme, a small cash donation for us to purchase items, or if you have a home business or a couple hours of service that you'd like to offer - anything would be appreciated. Please watch for the notices in the next few months. Let's end this year with a really fun and exciting event for the kids!!

Watch soon for a **BLUE CLOTHING DONATION BIN** coming to the front of our school. You can drop off your donations anytime now and our children will reap the rewards from the donations. We will be paid by the pound for our donations.

Thank you to those that were able to make it out to our scrap booking event in the library and to those that brought friends and co-workers to support our event. It was an idea that other PACs do quite successfully as fundraisers. However, we have tried several times and there just is not enough interest to keep this going. Thank you to everyone for coming when you could.

Thank you from the Fundraising Group.

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GARDEN CLUB

Mother Nature is giving us a run for our money this season, but the Greenhouse is up, the daffodils are blooming and tulips are not far behind. Grades 1/2's and 3/4/5's are now working on different weeks. April 16th will be a grade 1/2 day and April 23rd will be a 3/4/5/ day. Then back to 1/2's on April 30, etc. The Monday sessions will alternate straight through May. *(continued over...)*



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Upcoming Events

Hot Lunch Orders Due Fri., Apr.13, 2:40pm

Garden Club, Gr.1/2 Mon., Apr.16, Noon

Free Clothing Give-Away Weds., Apr.18, 10-11am

Garden Club, Gr.3/4/5 Mon., Apr.23, Noon

English Scholastic Book Fair April 23, 9am-4pm April 24, 9am-4pm & 5:30-7:30pm

DPAC Workshop Registration Deadline Mon., Apr. 26

April 25, 9am-4pm

Hot Lunch Fri., Apr.27, Noon

Garden Club, Gr.1/2 Mon., Apr.30, Noon

DPAC Workshop Mon., Apr. 30, 7-9pm

Garden Club, Gr.3/4/5 Mon., May7 & 21 Noon

Garden Club, Gr.1/2 Mon.,May.14 & 28 Noon

KPAC Meeting Mon., May. 7, 7pm AGM/General Elections

KPAC Carnival Sat., Jun. 2, Noon-4pm There are three newly donated clematis plants that the children planted which are growing up the trellises. And with great surprise we have a great deal of naturalized sweet peas seeds that have started to sprout. We are going to transplant them and get them growing all in the same place.

The plans are coming together to set a date to build the flower boxes and it looks like we even have an offer for donated soil.

Garden gloves and any gardening tool donations are always welcome.

Have a wonderful long weekend and Great Gardening to you all.

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

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HOT LUNCH

Greetings from the Hot Lunch Team. The next HL will be **Friday**, **April 27**th and one of the more popular vendors, *Pizza Hut* is being offered. Notices went out before the Easter weekend, and they will need to be returned **Friday**, **April 13**th. After this, we only have two Hot Lunches left! We have an exciting new vendor for May...so stay tuned. The last Hot Lunch of the year will be at the beginning of June and will coincide with Sports Day. We will have the kids' favourite on this fun day - *McDonald's*.

As I mentioned earlier, Susan Deyotte, our amazing HL shopper, will be leaving us as her child is moving on to middle school. She has been a valuable asset to the HL team and we will certainly miss her expertise next year. I am happy to report however, that as of September, Livian Smith will be our new HL shopper. We welcome her to our team and we are all looking forward to working with her next year. Please keep in mind that 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.

Once again, thank you to all who have supported Hot Lunch this year. Have a wonderful long weekend.

Your HL Team, Debby Moran & Viktoria Simek

DPAC REPORT

The District Parent Advisory Council for School District 43 executive (DPAC43) is holding an information workshop that you won't want to miss. On Monday, April 30 you are invited to see District Principal of Energy and Sustainability, Dave Sands, presenting a **Parent Information Evening on Technology -What Makes Your Kids "Click"; Participating and Engaging in a Digital World**. It will be from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the Gallery Room of the Winslow Centre, 1100 Winslow Ave. Registration is free and is required before April 26th.

The Leadership students and staff at GOAL are presenting a **Free Clothing Giveaway** on April 18th from 10:00am to 11:00am in the Winslow Centre Gym, 1100 Winslow Ave. They have had many District 43 schools donate their lost and found items and everything is in the process of being washed and sorted. The quality of the clothing is generally very good. The Free Clothing Give Away is open to all families. However, the time from 9:00am to 10:00am has been reserved for schools to bring especially needy kids, or send school staff, social workers or SWIS workers, to have first choice of needed clothing items for at risk students. They have quality, lightly used clothing for students from 5 years of age to 18 years. There are some great quality shoes and boots, all sizes of pants, shorts, t-shirts, and hoodies. They also have gym bags, umbrellas, lunch bags and more!

More information is posted for both these events on the bulletin board outside the Kilmer school office.

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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