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KPAC News

September 27, 2012

Next Meeting: Monday, February 4th, 7 p.m., Kilmer Library

CHAIR'S REPORT

Welcome back to school. I hope that you all enjoyed your Christmas Break. We have already had our January meeting but our February meeting is just around the corner. We are looking forward to a great year and we really hope to see some new faces at the PAC meetings.

Spirit and Grad wear went home just before the break. I hope that everyone has received their items. If not please email me and I will try to help as much as I can.

Please be aware that we are still looking for a Class rep for Division 14. You just have to do a little emailing and compose a class list (which I already have). Email me if you are interested.

Thank you and Happy New Year,
Rose Shaw KPAC Chair - les.shaw@shaw.ca

DPAC REPORT

DPAC AGM Notice:

Date & Time: Wed, January 30, 2013 @ 7pm

Location: Gallery Room - Winslow Centre (1100 Winslow Ave, Coquitlam)

Nominations are being accepted for the Treasurer and Secretary positions.

Visit the new DPAC website ... www.dpac43.org. Don't hesitate to call the DPAC office (Tue & Thu, 9:00am-2:00pm) if you have any questions or email us at office@dpac43.org.

The Simon Fraser Society for Community Living presents: *It's time to Talk about Middle School*

Starting Middle School can be both exciting and intimidating for students and parents alike. As parents of children with extra support needs, we have questions and concerns about the differences between Elementary and Middle School. We wonder how our children will cope and what kinds of supports they will receive. After many years at elementary school, this move to a new setting and a new team can feel like "going back to square one"!

The Family and Individual Support Program and School District 43 Student Services are pleased to facilitate an information evening especially for those parents whose children with intellectual or developmental disabilities will begin Middle School in September, 2012. Our panel includes teachers, counselors and principals, together we will provide information and answer your questions about the Middle School model, the transition process and what parents can do to prepare themselves and their children.

The Simon Fraser Society for Community Living believes that informed, confident parents make the best advocates for their sons and daughters. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to receive valuable information, ask questions and to meet and connect with other parents and School District 43 staff in a friendly, informal environment.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - please RSVP to Rachel le Nobel at the Simon Fraser Society at 604-528-3950 ext 312 or email rlnobel@sfscl.org.

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Upcoming Events

KPAC Meeting

Mon., Feb. 4, 7pm

Popcorn Day

Friday, February 8th

Friday, March 8th

Friday, April 12th

Friday, May 10th

Friday, June 14th

Hot Lunch Day

Thursday, January 24th

Friday, February 15th

Movie Night

Friday, February 1st

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.

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all those that helped support the fundraising efforts to purchase new swings. We hope you and the Kilmer community has a chance to share a special memory on the outdoor equipment and make special memories on the playground with your children for years to come.

Now the next big focus is to purchase new technology items. As we have wanted to ensure that the decision being made is based on sound educational and financial choices, the process has lasted longer than expected. Please feel free to get involved in the discussions during the PAC meetings.

If you have an idea for a fundraiser, please come to a PAC meeting and talk to us about it. Unfortunately this year we had several long time parents leave the school and we no longer have a team to get the fundraising organizing done. In years past we had a full year planned out ahead of time, so this year is going very differently. If you have any questions, we have tonnes of previous information to share.

Entertainment Books: The Entertainment Value Coupon books are finally closed and we made approximately \$1,650.42 profit. Thank you very much to those who were able to participate in this coupon clipping deal!

Movie Night: Thank you to Michaela V. for offering to find out how to put on "Movie Night" for us all. We will be presenting "Wreck It Ralph" on February 1st between 5:30PM - 8:00 PM in the gym. There will be food and popcorn. Please watch for the notice to coming home.

Pub Night: Thank you to Lesley C. for treating us once again to the Pub Night fundraiser, please watch for those details to come home in the New Year as well.

Kilmer and Grad wear: The Kilmer wear has gone home and the grad wear, thank you to Rose S for organizing and doing this annual project for the kids. This traditionally has never been a fundraiser but more a school spirit opportunity. Thank you to those who purchased. We hope you enjoy your new "Kilmer Wear"!

Also if you happen to be leaving the school in June and have grown out of older Kilmer Wear, your donations of gently used items can be brought to the office where Mrs. Hardy will take care of them until a student has forgotten a change of clothes for those times when the puddles just jump up and splash them!

Chocolate Sales: We are also looking into the "Chocolate Sales" fundraiser, please stay tuned for more details to follow.

Textile Donation: A friendly reminder please to have your "textile" donations put in a bag before putting them in to the blue donation bin out front of the school. Please also keep in mind that we will do a big one day "blitz" donation day after spring break. So if you have any extra time to clean out that spare closet and get a bag ready for the "cleaning Blitz donation day" we most certainly would appreciate it. The more bags we collect on that ONE day we get special pricing based on our poundage collected!

Thank you everyone,
Rachelle Jadot
thejadots@gmail.com

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

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Parent Library Coordinator - whateverilam@hotmail.com



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KPAC MEETINGS

First Monday each month
7pm, Kilmer Library
Free childminding

- September 10, 2012
- October 1, 2012
- November 5, 2012
- December 3, 2012
- January 7, 2013
- **February 4, 2013**
- March 4, 2013
- April 8, 2013
- May 6, 2013
- June 3, 2013

GARDEN CLUB

Happy Winter to You All,

Fall Garden Club was a great success, and the final party proved to be a wonderful experience of using what nature gives us in the winter months. We made a series of lovely Winter Nature bouquets with a little extra sparkle and then spread the holiday cheer around the school.

Spring is fast approaching and I have set a start date for March 4th as our first spring sessions date. We are planning a very colourful and exciting garden this spring. We cannot wait to share all our blooms with you.

Enjoy all the beautiful seed catalogues that are arriving at the doorsteps and start looking for the snowdrops and crocus they will be peaking through any time now.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 604-468-1695, and if you are free and want to volunteer on Mondays from 12-1 everyone is welcome.

Michelle Deo
Garden Club Coordinator - mlod@telus.net



Canadian Parents for French (CPF)

Société francophone de Maillardville is offering French classes for adults and children. They are also offering homework help. Contact them at (604) 515-7070 or by email at info@maillardville.com.

CPF annual membership skate was a huge success with about 100 people in attendance.

Along with SD 43, Canadian Parents for French will be in attendance at the Early FI and late FI information sessions on the upcoming following dates (A free draw held at each session):
January 17 @ Glenayre, February 19 @ Banting and February 20 @ Pitt River.

UBC continuing studies is offering French for Early Immersion Parents. Taught by a French Immersion teacher, this course is designed for parents of kindergarten and grade 1 French Immersion students. By course completion, you will know the French songs, games and vocabulary your children are learning at school. You'll feel confident reading simple French texts to your child and conversing with them in French. This course makes it easy to bring French into your home and to support your child's language learning. Wednesdays, Jan 23 – Mar 20 5:30 – 7:30 pm, \$340 languages.ubc.ca/french

Check out the winter programs offered at Place Maillardville. www.placemaillardville.ca

A Parent-led, non-profit organization that provides French-language educational, social, cultural and sporting activities for youth.

CPF emails and websites:
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<http://www.fb.com/cpftricitities>

Sheila Tremblay
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POPCORN DAY

Last Friday we had another great popcorn day, thanks to you and the kids. We have been handing it out at recess and outside this year, which has been working very nicely for everyone. Next popcorn days will be February 8th, March 8th, April 12th, May 10th and June 14th. Please mark it on your calendars! Any question, concerns or would like to help out please let me know at moejol@hotmail.com.

See your kids at the next popcorn day!
Moe Pullen

Southside Family of Schools Parent Education (SFSPE)

SFSPE was formed after a large Southside Family of Schools Meeting held about 10 years ago. It was decided that parent education was a priority that we could easily work on collectively, and Susan Foster offered to pull together all the parent education co-ordinators for a planning meeting, and SFSPE was born.



Proudly Presents

“Supporting school success: Helping children develop independent and effective approaches to learning”

An Evening with Nancy Perry

(Professor, Human Development Learning and Culture, UBC)

Thursday, March 14, 2013

6:45 – 8:30pm at Kilmer Elementary School

Cost: \$3/adult or \$5/couple

Free Childminding available with Advance registration at
ssfspe@gmail.com

Thank you Shaley, hoogs4@gmail.com

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS

Wow, a brand New Year has begun already. Hope you all had a great holiday break 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

http://www.labelsforeducation.ca/english/eligible_exp.asp 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, Della O'Reilly - dellaoreilly@yahoo.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. **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>