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# KPAC News

September 19, 2013

**Next Meeting:** Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m., Kilmer Library

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Hello Kilmer parents,

Welcome to a new and exciting year at Kilmer Elementary! We have a fantastic group of parents on board to bring your kids all their favourite programs and events ... and more! Have a look at the list of volunteers in the sidebar and take a moment to show your appreciation to them – they make it all happen!

We still have a few positions open - please contact me if you would like more information about them. Remember ... all parents are invited to attend every KPAC meeting ... it's a great way to stay informed about what's happening at the school and get to know other parents in our Kilmer community. Plus, you never know when there might be a tasty snack!

There will be different volunteering opportunities throughout the year that require a variety of skills. If you would like to be among the first notified of these opportunities, send an email to our Volunteer Coordinator, Cathy Willis, [puckheads@shaw.ca](mailto:puckheads@shaw.ca), and she'll add you to the list.

Have a fantastic year and we look forward to seeing you at some of our exciting events!

Paula Fowler, KPAC President  
[paula.fowler@gmail.com](mailto:paula.fowler@gmail.com)

### **TREASURER**

2012-13 Financial Reports and 2013-14 Budget posted on the KPAC board near the office.

Heather Hammersley, Treasurer

### **DPAC REPRESENTATIVE**

The District PAC Representative position remains vacant on our KPAC Executive. We're looking for someone who can attend the monthly DPAC meetings (see dates below) and report back to the KPAC (in person or by written report). If you are interested in finding out more about the position, please contact our KPAC President, Paula Fowler at [paula.fowler@gmail.com](mailto:paula.fowler@gmail.com).

All parents are invited to attend the monthly DPAC meetings. Visit their website for the meeting dates and lots of other great information! They are also on Facebook.

Website - [www.dpac43.org](http://www.dpac43.org)

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

### **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 labels and Goldfish Cracker labels along with all those other eligible products. For all the new parents, by collecting labels from eligible Campbell's products, we can qualify for great items for our school. A complete list of labels that we are collecting can be found at [http://www.labelsforeducation.ca/english/eligible\\_exp.asp](http://www.labelsforeducation.ca/english/eligible_exp.asp) or in the Campbell's soup can by the office.

Traci Skaalrud, Campbell's Soup Labels Coordinator



### Upcoming Events

**Hot Lunch Orders Due**  
Next forms - November

**Next Hot Lunch**  
Sep 27 - Pizza Hut  
Oct 24 - Subway

**Garden Club**  
Dates TBA @ Noon

**DPAC Parent Ed  
Registration Deadline**  
Information coming

**DPAC Workshop**  
Wed, Oct 9, 7-9 pm

### 2013/14 Class Reps

**Division 1**  
Sheila Tremblay

**Division 2**  
Allisa Jones

**Division 3**  
<vacant>

**Division 4**  
Andrea Matthews

**Division 5**  
Shaley Hoogendoorn

**Division 6**  
Sheila Hurd

**Division 7**  
Stacey Lindquister

**Division 8**  
<vacant>

**Division 9**  
Emily Cipparrone

**Division 10**  
Rayanne Short

**Division 11**  
Kathleen James

**Division 12**  
Kim Downey

**Division 13**  
<vacant>

### **CPF REPRESENTATIVE**

See page 4 for the full CPF report.

### **FRUIT & VEGGIE PROGRAM**

Once again we are fortunate to have fresh fruit and vegetables delivered to our school. Twice a month your child will be able to enjoy a new local product. We will also be providing milk to students in kindergarten, grades 1 and 2. Please make sure you let the school know if your child has a dairy allergy as we do have a soy beverage as a substitution for those who need it.

Viktoria Simek, Fruit & Veggie Coordinator

### **FUNDRAISING**

Details to come. Events being planned: Hallowe'en Dance, Poker Night, Movie Night, Pub Night. Let us know if you have any other ideas!

### **GARDEN CLUB**

Fall is in the air and that means it's time to start Garden Club! This year, Fall Garden Club will take place every Tuesday at lunch after the students have eaten and will run until December. Signup takes place Tuesday Sept.24 for any students in gr.1-5; signup for Spring Garden Club will take place in March. We hope to share our appreciation of plants, soil, climate, insects and where food comes from.

One of our first activities in Fall Garden Club is the very popular bulb planting---any bulb or perennial donations would be greatly appreciated! Thank you to Steve Fiset who will be volunteering his landscaping expertise this year, and to Mme. James, our Garden Club Sponsor Teacher. Please feel free to contact me if you are interested in helping out with Garden Club or if you have any questions.

Christine Betts, Garden Club Coordinator  
[christinebetts@gmail.com](mailto:christinebetts@gmail.com)

### **HOT LUNCH PROGRAM**

We will begin Kilmer's Hot Lunch Program this year on Sep 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all those returning and new volunteers who will be helping out that day. Our next Hot Lunch of the year is on Oct 24<sup>th</sup>. We are pleased to offer Subway. The forms have already gone out so thank you to all those who ordered.

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. 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. Please email Debby Moran at [debbybondi@hotmail.com](mailto:debbybondi@hotmail.com) with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your help.

Debby Moran, Hot Lunch Coordinator  
[debbybondi@hotmail.com](mailto:debbybondi@hotmail.com)



#### **KPAC Meetings**

First Monday each month  
7pm, Kilmer Library  
Free child-minding

- September 9, 2013
- October 7, 2013
- November 4, 2013
- December 2, 2013
- January 13, 2014
- February 3, 2014
- March 3, 2014
- April 7, 2014
- May 5, 2014  
(Elections)
- June 2, 2014  
(Social)

If you want to receive this newsletter by email in the future, make sure we have your email address.

Contact us at:  
[031-pac@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:031-pac@sd43.bc.ca)

#### **LEGO CLUB**

Lego Club is back! Starting this fall, all Lego fans are welcome to drop in on Fridays to the library from 12:20-12:40. Please listen to the announcements for when it is your grade's turn to come and create! If you have any Lego you are no longer using at home, donations are welcome and much appreciated! We are also looking for big people to help supervise! If you are available, please contact Lori Christie at [loriloula@hotmail.com](mailto:loriloula@hotmail.com).

#### **PARENT LIBRARY**

Greetings! This year, I will be overseeing the parent library, ensuring that it is kept in good order and that a clear check out system is in place. Please come by and visit. Book donations welcome!

#### **POPCORN PROGRAM**

Popcorn days are back and our first one will be on October 11! We will be handing out popcorn at RECESS, your child can bring their \$1 to the undercover area and they will receive a yummy bag of popcorn to enjoy for their recess snack. Kindergarten classes will get theirs delivered to their classes just before recess as they play in a different area. Mark your calendar, here are the dates for popcorn day for the year: Oct 11, Nov 15, Dec 6, Jan 17, Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 9 and Jun 6. Also if you would like to help make the popcorn for all the kids, volunteers are always welcome. Just contact myself, Moe Pullen at [moejol@hotmail.com](mailto:moejol@hotmail.com)

#### **SOUTHSIDE FAMILY OF SCHOOLS PARENT EDUCATION**

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.

Since then we have planned 2-3 joint parent education events for our Family of Schools each year. Each school has taken turns hosting the presentations and our parent reps share in the planning and co-ordination of the events. The committee meets every 2nd month (4 times a year) and every second meeting; we invite school administrators to join us. When we meet with the administrators, we ask for their expertise and insight into parent education issues or concerns that they may come across in their daily interaction with students and their families.

Mark your calendars, SFSPE's first presentation is on Wednesday November 20, 2013 featuring Christopher Burt who is a parenting and Family Development Specialist. This in-depth seminar will help parents understand how discipline impacts children's behavioral choices.

Shaley Hoogendoorn, SSFSPE Representative

#### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

The technology department is very excited to announce the arrival of 16 iPad 4s. Apps have now been added and we anticipate roll out of the devices within the next month. A huge thank you to all parents and students for making this improvement possible!

Emily Cipparrone, Technology 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. **Child-minding is provided.** Please check the sidebar for upcoming dates. Meetings will usually be 60-90 minutes long. 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>.



## **What is Canadian Parents for French (CPF)?**

CPF provides support, information and resources for parents with children studying French, whether through an immersion, intensive or basic French programme. We work with school boards, teachers, parent advisory councils and the federal and provincial governments to suggest and monitor policies and programmes that affect the access to and quality of our children's French educational programmes.

## **Why should you and your family join CPF?**

In addition to receiving provincial and national newsletters keeping you informed about French second language issues, you will receive discounts with reputable providers of French language products and services, and access to member-only events such as summer camps. But really, you should join because you care about your child's education. Your membership gives CPF a stronger voice to advocate for access to quality FSL education with ministers and administrators at the national and provincial/territorial levels and with school boards in your community. Join for only \$25/year or \$60/3 years. Be sure to include your spouse/partner on your application form! Each family is entitled to two votes! As an incentive to new French Immersion students, we are offering a 1 year membership for \$15 instead of \$25.

## **CPF – BC & Yukon's Annual Membership Drive September 1st to October 31st, 2013!**

### **Renew your membership! Ask others to join!**

And do it before October 31st because during our membership drive you can win wonderful prizes! Remember 80% of your membership fee goes right back to your local chapter. That means more fun events in schools, more resources for parents, teachers and students, and more extra-curricular activities in French for our kids!

Check out some of the great prizes 2013 new and renewing members are eligible to win:

- Air North return flights for two! (some restrictions apply)
- \$600 toward a confirmed spot at BC Family French Camp
- Playland Vouchers

AND MORE! Winners will be determined by draw.

Just a little overview of what CPF tri-cities has done in the last year:

- Scholarships for graduating grade 12 students
- Funding some activities for students heading to Quebec and France
- Parents Night Out and Scholastic French book fairs
- Presence at Festival du Bois
- Movie festival
- Concerts by Charlotte Diamond & Will Stroet
- Verbathon
- Concours d'art oratoire (French public speaking contest)
- Purchased French books for the public libraries in the Tri-Cities and more.

Everyone is welcomed to CPF meetings; the next one is on Monday Oct 21 at 7pm at Glen Elementary in Coquitlam.

Contact Us:

website: <http://cpf.bc.ca/tricities/>

fb.com/cpftricities

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Sheila Tremblay  
CPF Representative