



Leigh Elementary
PAC Newsletter

October 2009

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Welcome Back!

We would like to give a big thank you to Jennifer Henderson and Kathy Metzner for all they did at Leigh last year in the roles of PAC Co-Chairs.

This year Tam Shepert and Kim Egli will work together as Co-Chairs of the Leigh PAC. Vice Chair is Tricia Fung and Secretary is Tracy McRitchie. Jody Ewart will stay on as Treasurer.

There are many other committees already going on: Janet Kampf on the fundraising committee and Gina Young heading up hot lunch with help from Barb Mulligan and Carole Goddard. Christine Knoll is once again heading up the Fruit and Veggie Program. Last year's members of the School Planning Council have let their names stand for another term - Tam Shepert, Jen Smith, and Carol Wilson. Thanks everyone for giving your time to our Leigh Community.

We still have openings for the following positions: DPAC, Emergency Preparedness, Parent Ed Coordinator and Traffic & Safety. Of course we will also need lots of help for all our fabulous events throughout the school year. Please volunteer whenever you can!

We hope to see a lot more new faces at the next PAC meeting on **Tuesday October 6, 2009 at 7pm**. Pac meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month.

New School Website

Please check out the new school website.

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/leigh/Pages/default.aspx>

It is frequently updated with information by parent/teacher Jacque Bischoff. Under the Parent section, we will be posting all PAC minutes, newsletters forms and notices.

Grade 5 Leaving Committee

Kim Lauridsen has offered to chair the Grade 5 Leaving Committee this year and is eager to get things started. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday October 7th in the Parent Ed room at 7pm. Please contact Kim at **604-945-3859** or via email at tklau@shaw.ca if you require any further information. Hope to see all you grade 5 parents out!

LPAC Notes of Thanks!

Staff and Teachers: Thank you for all your hard work getting our school year off to a great start. The Olympics theme was fun and the kids learned a lot of interesting facts about the Event that is coming to our city in 2010.

Janet Kampf and team: Thanks for the best Back to School event **EVER!!!**

Linda Sisson: for all your hard work getting this school year organized and welcoming our new students to the school.

Fund-Raising Fun

The outdoor movie night was a terrific success with over 300 people attending. We could not have asked for better weather! A big thank you goes to Westbild for their generous financial donation, to the Coquitlam Fire and Rescue, the RCMP, Timbits Community Cruiser and the Bear Aware program. The kids were delighted and entertained by all of our visitors.

Thank you as well to our volunteers Tricia Fung, Deidre Pattenden, Jen Smith, Stephany Herzog, Kim Lauridsen, Tracy McRitchie and Lori Matthes. We also received 87 items of school supplies for the SHARE back to school drive, as well as 90 lunch box items and \$32.

Our next movie night is scheduled for Friday October 30th featuring the movie "ET". Tickets will be purchased at the door and are \$5 per family.

Our Street Hockey Tournament was a ton of fun... in the heat wave!!! Thanks to everyone who participated and the parents and volunteers who helped out. We had 10 teams enter in total. Special thanks to our volunteer referees from Minnehada for their impressive refereeing - Jacob McRitchie, Keegan Bell, Zack Shepert, Matt Henderson, Mark Goddard, Matt Poole and Brett Towers. They kept our games moving, called fair games and just added that "official touch" to the games.

We would like to start creating posters with photos of the fun events we hold at the school. If you have any photos that you could give us copies of please send them to the school Attn: LPAC Photo Collection. Digital images can also be emailed to Mrs Bischoff for the website.

Okay parents, mark your calendars, this one is for you!! Call the sitter and get your dancing shoes ready 'cause we're gonna' dance the night away (and raise some funds too)! October 16th will be our inaugural Leigh Parents Dance in the school gym. Tickets will go on sale starting Monday Sept 28th and will cost \$10 each. Book in groups and sell to your friends and family. There will be a prize for the greatest number of tickets sold! Lincoln Elementary used to have a Valentine's Dance, Minnehada has their Spring Fling, now we will have our own "Dance the Night Away" fun!

Dates to Remember

Tuesday Oct 6, 2009

PAC Meeting
7pm Adult Ed Room

Wednesday Oct 7, 2009

Grade 5 Leaving Committee Meeting
7pm Adult Ed Room

Friday Oct 9, 2009

Student Photos
LPAC Recess snack day
Interm Report Cards go Home

Monday Oct 12, 2009

No School - Thanksgiving

Friday Oct 16, 2009

Parent Dance

Thursday Oct 22, 2009

LPAC Hot Lunch

Friday Oct 23, 2009

Pro-D Day

Friday Oct 30, 2009

Halloween Parade and Assembly
"ET" Movie night

Halloween Haunted House:

The PAC will once again be putting on a Haunted House display for the kids on Friday Oct 30th. We are looking for volunteers on Thursday Oct 29th to help us setup the display in the Adult Ed Room. We will also be asking for donations of Halloween decorations which will of course be returned. The kids really enjoy this "scary adventure" on Halloween so come out and help us make this another spooktacular year! Please contact the PAC executive at leighpac@shaw.ca if you can help with setup or donate some decorations.