

## Leigh Elementary PAC September 2013

## Welcome to our new and returning families!

While the PAC is looking forward to a new and exciting year for our children, we remain focused on our mission to "...advocate for excellence in education, the safety and well being of our students, and for the effective and meaningful involvement of parents as education partners. "

In that context, this year the PAC has been marked by several objectives. They are:

- Excellence in education Support of the school goal toward literacy. As part of the school planning council, the PAC is committed to ensuring that all our children have the materials needed. We look forward to assisting with the purchase of new reading sets for all grade levels.
- Safety and well being. At the end of last year, there were discussions on issues related to safety that needed to be addressed in 2013/14. PAC has found a great coordinator, Allison, who will be heading up some of the key initiatives to assist in creating a safe environment. For example, traffic issues and emergency preparedness in the event of a major crisis.
- Involvement of parents as partners. Your continued involvement during the year is critical to our success. This doesn't require more than 1 hour during the year from each family. If you have the desire for more involvement, there are a few PAC positions still available, including Secretary. There are larger events throughout the year that we would appreciate your support, including our exciting year end Carnival. Feel free to email us, or come to an upcoming meeting, if there is an area of interest to you.

Some of the upcoming events that you should be aware of are:

- Entertainment book sale (starting next week)
- Family photo night (October 1 & 2)
- > Halloween costume sale (please drop off your gently used costumes as donation)
- Canadian Tire money (this can be left through the year in the PAC box outside the PAC office)

Fundraising provides us with the opportunity to enhance the great learning environment at Leigh and we look forward to a collaborative relationship with the District, Principal, teachers, and families. The PAC looks forward to advocating for student needs and goals and our continued working relationship with Principal, Remi Collins.

We always welcome feedback. Please feel free to email us at <a href="mailto:LeighPACinfo@gmail.com">LeighPACinfo@gmail.com</a> or drop by one of the PAC meetings.

Wishing you a great year!

NEXT MEETING: September 11th @ 7:00 p.m. in the Leigh Library.

Babysitting provided.