Mountain Meadows Elementary PAC Newsletter – October 2019





A Message from your PAC Executive

Dear MME Families,

The PAC (Parent Advisory Council) supports active, creative, and wellness activities for our kids. Fundraisers including: hot lunches, movie nights, parent parties, holiday art, Holiday Market, Just Dance, Scholastic book fair, Thrifty's cards and more help us fund Hip Hop week, Body Science, Lion Dance, Jog Along, sports equipment, instruments, Art Start, and technology for the school.

Wow, that was a long list! Stay up to date on what's coming up by joining the M.M. Parents page on Facebook. You'll also receive details by email and your children's school agendas for some of the events.

Volunteering and attending PAC events is a great way to meet other families, stay informed, and make memories for our kids.



PAC EXECUTIVE 2019 - 2020

Ellie Hutton, President Charmaine Francis, Vice President Gabriela Birova, Treasurer Julie MacLennan, Secretary Paul Caldwell, DPAC

Join us at the next PAC meeting on October 22, at 7:00 pm. We'll talk about upcoming events, vote on how funds will be spent and share ideas. Everyone is welcome!

Behind the PAC is a team of parent volunteers helping to organize the various fundraisers and activities throughout the year. Our thanks to all the volunteers for their time and commitment!



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

October 22 - 24

The Scholastic Arctic Adventure Book Fair will take place from October 22-24, in the Multi Purpose Room. Lots of great options!

- October 22 after school only until 3:45 pm
- October 23 & 24 before school at 8:15 am until first bell and after school until 3:45 pm



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT ANGRY BIRDS 2!

Friday, October 18

6:00 pm - Doors & Concession

6:30 pm - Movie in the MME Gym

Admission - \$2 per person

Concession - Hot dogs \$2, Treats \$1

We need volunteers!

Email: brucebilly16@gmail.com



Mark your calendars with these UPCOMING EVENTS

October 18 - Movie Night!

October 22 - PAC Meeting

October 22-24 - Scholastic Book Fair

November 1 - Parents Halloween Party

November 4-15 – Gymsense Gymnastics

November 8 - Hot Lunch

November 9 - Movie Night

December 5 - Holiday Market

December 13 - Hot Lunch

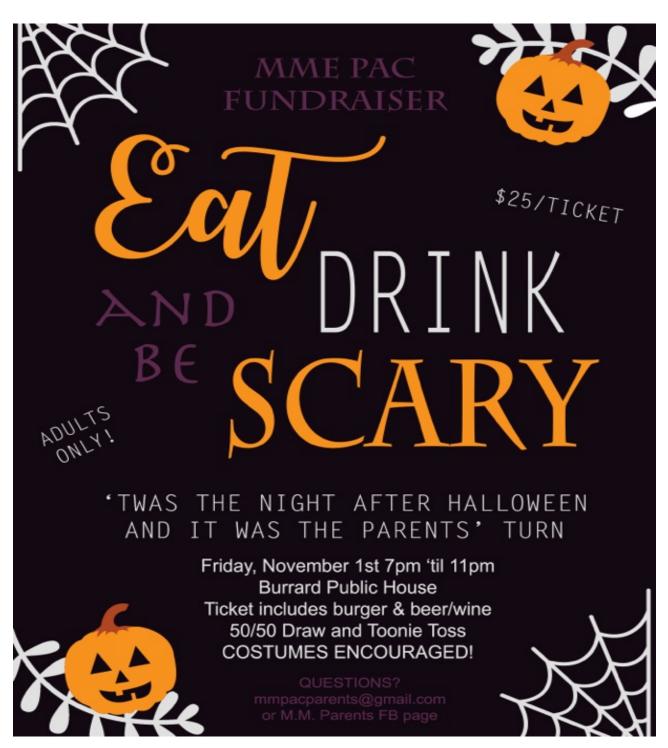
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events: https://bit.ly/2koomrs

Eat, Drink and Be Scary!

Mountain Meadows Halloween Fundraiser at the Burrard Public House!

Bring your friends and join us for an evening of kid-free fun. Costumes strongly encouraged! \$25 per ticket includes a burger and a beverage (vegetarian options available). We'll also have a 50/50 draw and Toonie Toss — all funds raised go into the PAC fund, supporting activities and events for our kids! Tickets will be available the week of October 7.



YEAR - ROUND PAC FUNDRAISERS

Throughout the year, a number of activities and fundraisers are organized by teams of volunteers to help raise money for various PAC initiatives and classroom activities. We thank ALL OF YOU in advance for your support!



Thrifty Foods' Smile Cards are available to all families in the school. This is a preloaded card that can be used to pay for groceries purchased at <u>any</u> Thrifty Foods location. All you need to do is load money onto your card before shopping. Last year we raised \$1500 from your grocery shopping for our school technology!

Existing families needing a replacement card can request one through mmpacparents@gmail.com. There is no fee, or any obligation. Simply use the card to pay, and our school receives 5% back automatically!



Spud sources all their produce from local farms across the

Lower Mainland and Tri-Cities. Up to 25% of the funds from all produce box purchases comes back to our school! Anyone can use our MME code – be sure to share it with family & friends in advance of Thanksgiving and Christmas family gatherings!

How It Works:

- 1) Go to SPUD.ca and create an account
- 2) Select a fundraising box and add it to your cart
- 3) At checkout, enter the promo code *FUNDRAISING*. Select Mountain Meadows from the drop-down list and complete your order.

Chapters

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If you shop at Chapters, either in store or online, this fundraiser is for you! For every egift card you buy, 15% goes back to our school! We have been approved to raise up to \$1,000 and we are hoping that, with your help, this will be a successful fundraiser. An e-gift card makes a great gift for birthdays, Christmas and any type of celebration, but keep in mind that you can also buy an e-gift card for yourself and redeem it either online or in-store. If you prefer to shop in-store, make sure you buy your e-gift card first, and then use it as a form of payment, same way you would do with a plastic gift card. Share this fundraiser with family and friends, too!

How It Works:

- 1) Go to the homepage of the <u>Chapters</u> fundraiser
- 2) Click on the blue banner that says *Indigo* e*Giftcards* or shop items below the banner
- 3) A pop-up window will appear with options of egift cards in different denominations (\$25, \$50 and \$100). The screen will also show you the return for the school
- 4) Proceed to checkout. You have the option of creating an account or checking out as a Guest.
- 5) During checkout, you will find a section called "Delivery" where you have the option of sending the ecard to your own email address or sending it to somebody else.



ART CARD FUNDRAISER

It's never too early to plan for the holidays! This year, the PAC has partnered with Created by Kids to organize an artwork card fundraiser. Each student will complete an art project, holiday or any theme desired by the student, in class and families will have the option to view and order the artwork as holiday cards, mugs and other fun items! This is a PAC fundraiser and should give you some fun options to showcase your child's artwork. More details to come soon!

- October 1-11, artwork completed in class
- Week of October 14, families view art and submit orders
- November 18, we receive the finished orders just in time for the holidays!

STAY CONNECTED! If you're looking for event information or need to reach the PAC, below are the contacts/links:

Facebook – search for the M.M. Parents page

Google calendar of PAC events: https://bit.ly/2koomrs

Email the PAC Executive at: mmpacparents@gmail.com

HOLIDAY MARKET

The Holiday Market is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year, and that's why planning starts early! It takes a team to pull of this event, which includes collecting small gift donations from families, pricing and gift-wrapping.

This year's Holiday Market will take place on December 5th. MME children will have an opportunity to shop for their family members, friends, or pets. All funds raised to the PAC.

More details will be shared soon through the planning team. If you are interested in helping with the planning or on market day, please contact the lead organizer Heather Thomson at thomsonhj@hotmail.ca or through the MME PAC email.

CLASS LIAISONS NEEDED

Each division needs a class liaison. Please check out the volunteer opportunities for more details and sign up if you're interested. You can also directly email:

charmainegfrancis@gmail.com.

GRADE 5 COMMITTEE

The Grade 5 committee is starting to get rolling on fundraisers and activities to support Grade 5 events. If you are a Grade 5 parent and want to get involved, please email mmpacparents@gmail.com.