

Mountain Meadows Elementary PAC Newsletter – November 2019



Two months into the school year and your MME PAC has been busy planning and organizing the year's events. In October, PAC volunteers organized and delivered a number of activities including the first movie night, the Scholastic book fair, the Created by Kids Art fundraiser, and the Halloween parent pub night. Thank you to all the families who participated in these events to raise funds for our children. If you are interested in knowing how much money is raised and how funds are allocated to events or activities, join us for the November PAC meeting! You can also review the [PAC meeting minutes](#) online.

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 **November 21 at 7:00 pm**. Meetings take place at MME in the Library. We'll talk about upcoming events, vote on how funds will be spent and share ideas. Everyone is welcome!



Mark your calendars with these **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 8 – Remembrance Day School Assembly – everyone is welcome!

November 8 – PAC Hot Lunch Day

November 8 – Movie Night #2!

November 18 – Gymsense begins

November 21 – PAC Meeting

December 3 (**new date**) - Holiday Market

December 5 – Order deadline for PAC Hot Lunch Pizza Day on December 13

Download the [Google calendar of PAC](#) events to stay on top of important PAC dates and activities!

MOVIE NIGHT – November 8 **featuring ALADDIN!**

Now with new and improved audio! Wear your cosiest pajamas, bring your chairs, blankies and pillows!

6:00 pm – Doors & Concession

6:30 pm – Movie in the MME Gym

Admission - \$2 per person

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

We also need volunteers! Sign up using the online volunteer form:

<https://bit.ly/2koomrs>

PAC HOT LUNCH DAYS

PAC Hot Lunch days are held throughout the year and organized by PAC volunteers. These are separate lunch orders from the Lunch Lady. All proceeds from PAC Hot Lunch days go directly to the PAC. Orders can be placed through [Munch-a-Lunch](#). All orders must be placed 8 days in advance of the lunch day. Upcoming dates:

- November 8 – Hot Dog day
(ordering is now closed)
- December 13 – Pizza day
(ordering is now open)

A reminder to all parents to track your child's lunch order and ensure any allergies or dietary restrictions are communicated in advance. If you are able to help with lunch distributions on the scheduled dates please email the [MME PAC](#).



It's Holiday Market Time

**Holiday Market will take place on Tuesday, December 3
from 9am-3pm, in the school gym.**

Holiday Market is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. All of the funds go directly to PAC sponsored events such as Hip Hop, Lion Dance, and sporting equipment. Last year we raised \$3000!

Holiday market is a fun experience for kids to do their own Holiday Shopping for up to 5 special people in their lives (parents, grandparents, caregivers, siblings, pets or friends).

How it works: We ask that each family donate 5-10 items (new or homemade) which are then sold to the students for between \$1-\$10. In lieu of donating items, you have the option of donating money to the event and volunteers will use the money to purchase items for market day.

What to Donate: Ideal gifts are inexpensive items such as wine glass tags, picture frames, playing cards, specialty soaps, nail polish, small toys or any other fun or thoughtful items you can think of. We also welcome corporate donations and can provide donation letters.

Where to Donate: All items can be left in the PAC kitchen across from the front office for pick up. We encourage a donation of 5-10 items per child or \$10-\$20 through Munch-A-Lunch to ensure we have enough gifts for all kids on Holiday Market Shopping Day.

Volunteering: Holiday Market requires MANY volunteers. We help the kids choose the gifts for those on their list and wrap each gift for the kids to take home. This event cannot work without your help. If you are able to help with set-up on December 2 after school, or any time on December 3rd between 8am-4pm (even if only for a couple hours, or the whole day), please email thomsonhj@hotmail.ca.

REMINDERS !

YEAR ROUND FUNDRAISERS

The MME PAC has a number of year-round fundraisers happening.



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 holiday gatherings!

Thrifty Foods Smile Cards are available to all families



in the school. All you need to do is load the card with money and use it for your purchases at ANY Thrifty Foods location. The school receives 5% back automatically!!



Chapters is a great place to do your birthday gift or holiday shopping. Before you shop, go to the homepage of the [Chapters fundraiser](#) and purchase a few e-gifts cards. Use them in-store or online for your purchases and receive 15% back for MME!

THE LUNCH LADY

The Lunch Lady program is a very good opportunity for the PAC to raise extra funds through the parent community. Healthy lunches are delivered to participating MME students on Thursdays. There are gluten free, halal, and hot and cold lunch options available. Give yourself a break and order from [The Lunch Lady!](#)

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.

CREATED BY KIDS ARTWORK FUNDRAISER

The Created by Kids artwork fundraiser is now closed. All orders have been submitted to Created by Kids. A big thank you to the MME teachers and Sarah Robinson for their support in leading and coordinating this initiative. This was our first year trying this fundraiser and based on your order response, it was a huge hit! For those of you who placed orders, we expect to receive the final products closer to November 18th. Thank you!

BOOKMARK THESE LINKS !

PAC events could not be executed without the amazing help of our parent community. If you are able to volunteer for any upcoming events, you can now sign up using the electronic form: <https://bit.ly/2koomrs>

Important Note: All volunteers are required to complete a criminal record check. This is a school district requirement. Please stop by the office to obtain instructions.

WHAT IS MUNCH-A-LUNCH?

Munch-A-Lunch is an online system used by the MME PAC to collect payment for various events, fundraisers, and activities such as PAC hot lunch days, staff appreciation, Holiday Market, and general monetary donations. Munch-A-Lunch is now active and accepting donations.

All you need to do is create an account or login to your existing account. Please visit:

<https://munchalunch.com/login>



DIRECT LINKS:

MME School Calendar:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/mountainmeadows/Lists/Calendar/calendar.aspx#/=>

MME PAC Page & Calendar:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/mountainmeadows/Parents/PAC/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Chapters Fundraiser:

<https://indigofundraising.flipgive.com/teams/100867-mountain-meadows-elementary>

Spud Fundraiser: SPUD.ca

(create an account; select a fundraising box; at checkout, enter the promo code **FUNDRAISING**. Select Mountain Meadows from the drop-down list to complete your order).

Facebook: search M.M. Parents

(This is a private group. Please be sure to identify your child when asking to join the group).