

# MUNDY ROAD PAC NEWSLETTER

2011-2012

*Mundy Pac in Action*



## December

Holiday Cheer



### A note from our PAC Chair

I'd like to give a big Thank You to all the Mundy Road Staff who do so much to make our school a safe, nurturing environment for our kids.

The many hours per week spent in preparation, instruction, and evaluation for the benefit our kids make their experience at Mundy rich and full.

I'd also like to thank the parents and caregivers who contribute their time and energy - whether reading in the classroom, accompanying students on field trips, volunteering on PAC projects, or any of the other many ways we support our teachers and kids. Your involvement helps build community and friendships.

As we move into December and start to feel the excitement of the upcoming Winter Break, I encourage those who can to donate to the SHARE Food Bank by bringing food items to the school for collection. As you'll see in this newsletter, there are many different programs and projects currently under way, and more to come in 2012. If you are interested in getting involved, please email [kathy@talontech.ca](mailto:kathy@talontech.ca) or speak to me at school, and watch for our next PAC (Parent Advisory Council) General Meeting in January (meeting date will be published soon). If you are the parent or guardian of a child at Mundy Road you are part of our PAC, and we'd love to see you there!

Merry Christmas,  
Kathy Anderson,  
Mundy Road PAC Chair

Mundy Road Elementary School Parent Advisory Council mission is to advocate for excellence in education, the safety and well being of our students, and for the effective and meaningful involvement of parents as partners.

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**Be on the look out...**

**Pancake Breakfast  
Order Forms coming home NEXT Week!**

Many years ago, there was a tradition to bring in McDonald's pancakes on the last day of school before Christmas break, for all the kids in the school to enjoy. The pancakes were eaten in the gym, on the floor, and although it was really appreciated, great fun and a little sticky, most pancakes were unfortunately, cold before the kids even started eating.

So, about four years ago a couple of "adventurous" parents thought it would be better to serve hot pancakes AND sausages, more or less *right off the griddle*, to all our students...seated at tables, in the gym. And so, this new annual tradition was begun!

I was one of these original parents and can honestly say I have thoroughly enjoyed organizing this event every year! We certainly did not do this alone – if it wasn't for the help of our parent community, teachers' support, administration's assistance and support staff's help, it would not take place. The kids love this event; have a hearty warm breakfast; sing Christmas carols and even have a visit from the 'big guy' himself! These are some of the great memories our kids will have about their elementary school days and I am very happy to have been a part of it.

This year's pancake breakfast will be my last as the organizer, as my son is moving to middle school next year. It is my hope that this tradition carries on and I would like to pass along my notes, contacts, etc. (if anyone wants them) to someone who would like to organize next year's breakfast for our Mundy Road kids. If you would like to talk about what is involved, I would be happy to meet for coffee one day and discuss it – please contact me below.

This year's breakfast will take place on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> and will start right after attendance is recorded in the morning. As mentioned, many hands are needed to help with this event; from setting up the gym on Thursday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> after school, to serving and assisting during the breakfast on the morning of and of course...the clean up after this event. Please be sure to mark off where you can help this year, on your child's order form and return it as soon as possible. Having all orders in early, helps with the grocery shopping!

Looking forward to our Santa breakfast and our *oh-so-close*, Christmas break!

Many thanks to everyone!

Dalene Schulz

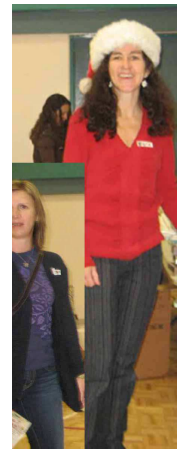
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CAPTURING YOUR SMILE...SPIRIT OF GIFT GIVING  
IN MUNDY ROAD



Coordinated by Ingrid Davitt ...Hats off to you Ingrid & the Team!



November 30, 2011



# Thank You

Mundy Road PAC is appreciative to those who made our **Pub Night** fundraiser a success. The incredible support of our generous donors & silent auction donors executive members, parents and guests helped create a night to remember.

Nov.19,2011

## Nicole Schenato Fundraiser Coordinator





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NEW BEGININGS CANADA



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**Dollar Giant Store**  
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**Teresa Battista conveys her  
Thank You to volunteers who helped out  
Fruit/Veggie program**

**Let's do it again!**



## **Clothing Drive Pick Up Day**

The equipment for the final phase of our playground revitalization plan has been ordered, and we look forward to seeing the new Landscape Structures circuit installed some time in the New Year. Parents, please remind your children to enjoy these last few weeks with the old wooden playground, as it will likely be taken down by the district in the very near future. "Old Woody" has served our community well, and we're sure our students will be sad to see it go. That said, the completion of our new playground, including the Space Net, is cause for great excitement, and we look forward to celebrating its arrival with not only our school community, but also the many families, friends, and businesses in the greater community who have worked so hard to help realize this ambitious goal. In four years, \$86,000 has been raised, and we cannot thank you all enough for your help and support. Your efforts will benefit both the current children of our community and future generations. Great job, everyone!

Please stay tuned for updates on installation dates, celebration activities, and the upcoming "Survivor Fitness Challenge" for Mundy Road's intermediate students. It's sure to be a very exciting New Year!

Suzanne Clements, Shannon Antunes, Bryanne Duncan, and Mary Babcock  
**Mundy Road Elementary Playground Committee**



## Hot Lunch Coordinator

We had another very successful hot lunch in November at Mundy Road. My great thanks go out to my kitchen helpers: Tracy Grisdale, Lidia Gallina and Tiffany Milligan. My thanks go out also to all those parents who came to help out hot lunches to the kids! Without your support there is no success!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the great majority of people who are using envelopes or zip lock bags to put your money and order forms in. There are very few still coming in stapled or taped and I sincerely appreciate that! Please make sure that the bags or envelopes you use are sealed tightly so that the money and form stay safely inside. Please feel free to use the 'recycled' zip lock bags at the office. They are for everyone's use!

A couple of reminders:

- Please make sure that your **child's name**, child's **teacher's name** and child's **division** are on your order forms! I am still getting blank forms returned to me and I have no way of knowing who they belong to.
- For those of us with more than one child at Mundy Road, please USE A SEPARATE ORDER FORM FOR EACH CHILD. You are more than welcome to pay for several orders with one cheque, but I need each student to have their own form with their hot lunch order on it.
- Please put both the form and money in a bag or envelope. This way the money and order stay together and there is less chance for error in your child's order.
- You are welcome to pay for hot lunch by cheque (made out to Mundy Road PAC) or cash. I only ask that you not try and roll your coins with tape. It is very difficult to undo and my coin sorter has a tough time dealing with the sticky coins!

In December, the grade 5 students and parents will be doing a pizza hot lunch fundraiser. Every year in June, the grade 5 students go on a class trip to Cultas Lake water slides. They must fundraise the money to go on this trip and one way they do that is by providing hot lunch for our students. Thank you in advance for supporting the grade 5 students.

Again, my thanks to our whole parent community for supporting the hot lunch program at Mundy Road!

Hilary Drexel  
Hot Lunch Coordinator





### “Labels for Education TM Program”

- Earns free merchandise for Mundy
- Save labels from selected products and send them to school
- List of products can be found on [www.mundyroad.ca](http://www.mundyroad.ca) under Notices & Documents/Misc Forms & Notices
- Questions? Teri Towner [teritowner@gmail.com](mailto:teritowner@gmail.com)

## Announcement



Dogs are kept on a leash and owners must supervise their dogs closely.  
Thank you for the cooperation.



Please leave the front parking area for teachers only.

### Mark your December Calendar

Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

Hotlunch Pizza Day  
Poinsettia Fundraiser plants are available/pickup  
Annual Raffle Draw Date  
Pancake Breakfast

# Stay tuned for Awesomely Fun!

## Next Year? Next Month?

# 2012

# BharataNatyam

To expose our community to the diversely beautiful dance forms from India.

### **BharataNatyam**

Classical dance from India...(most people think of Bollywood).

The fact is there are as many different classical dance traditions.

The dance is based on rhythm and melody.

The key difference of Indian classical dances and western ballet,

lies in the fact that while ballet has an "aerial aspiration"

Indian dances have a more earthly,grounded grace.

**BharataNatyam** as an art form that has linear lines  
and rounded movements with a lot of grace and power, rhythmic footwork

It has the potential to evoke very strong emotions and passions.



**Sheela Anand**



## **Mad Science** is coming to Mundy Road Elementary in February!

These hands-on, one-hour science programs are themed around a particular area of science and include such topics as rocketry, magnets, polymers and even the science of toys.

Children engage in exciting hands-on activities, watch spectacular demonstrations, participate in inquiry-based discussions and take home things that they have made themselves like model rockets, periscopes, Mad Science putty and more.

Mad Science after-school programs offer children a chance to see just how cool science can be!

Thank you,

**Kim Driver**