

# MUNDY ROAD PAC NEWSLETTER

2011-2012

*Mundy Pac in Action*



# Welcome Back!

***Exciting time of year for kids, parents, and teachers!***

## **Opening Day Refreshments**

*(tea, coffee & treats)*

**The PAC will be hosting under the outside covered area for parents while we wait for our children on the first very short day.**

***(9:00-9:45 gr.1-5, & 10:00 – 10:45 K's only)***

**Welcome new parents, welcome back old ones and catch up on the spectacular summer. So bring a mug, since we are trying to Go Green.**

**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.**

## 2011-2012 Mundy Road Elementary PAC Executives

Co-Chairs Glen Bailey & Cate Takemori  
Vice-Chair Dorothy Sela  
Secretary Dusty Stewart  
Treasurer Teresa Battista

Fundraising Coordinator Nicole Schenato  
Hot Lunch Coordinator Hilary Drexel  
**DPAC** Representative Teri Towner  
Volunteer Coordinator Lori Lacroix  
Emergency Preparedness Colleen Roberts  
Communication Coordinator Jehnel Wong

Playground Enhancement  
Suzanne Clements  
Bryanne Duncan  
Mary Babcock  
Shannon Antunes

Members At Large  
Dalene Schulz  
Diane Hayward Meek

School Planning Council  
Kathy Anderson  
Dorothy Sela  
Stephanie Kane  
Kelly Zimmer

Parent Education vacant  
Social Coordinator vacant  
Health/Safety vacant

### **Who's on the PAC?**

All parents and guardians of students in attendance at Mundy Road Elementary School have the right to participate at PAC meetings as voting members, recognizing that there is one vote per family. Posted below are all different days of meeting, mornings and evenings to allow everyone to try to attend even with the busiest schedule.

Please come out, stay as long as you like, and lend an ear and a voice to what is happening.

We are still actively seeking 3 Executive positions; Parent Education Coordinator, Social Coordinator & Health/Safety Coordinator.

Please contact us if you'd like more info.

### **PAC Meeting Dates:**

All evening meetings start at 7: 00 pm, all morning meetings at 9:05 am

**Location- Library**

**September 21<sup>st</sup>** (Wednesday 7pm evening)

**October 26<sup>th</sup>** (Wednesday 7 pm evening)

**November 25<sup>th</sup>** (Friday 9am morning)

January, February, April, May **TBA**

*Volunteers* always needed:

***Help*** a little; help a lot- it all counts. All studies and stats show that being active in your child's school benefits them. They know you take an active interest in what they do six hours everyday, and you support what they do based on your time available. Know your teacher, know the parents, know your PAC, help your class liaison and any social events in whichever way you can- please be involved!



**Looking Back...an Opportunity to thank to absolutely EVERYONE!**

**Our Mundy Staff, past-PAC chair & members, Mundy Parents**

Your generosity, hardwork & for contributing to all the various fundraising activities that went towards our kids in school!

We are still actively seeking grants and support for our next Phase 2 (Playground) let us know if you hear of any we can apply for the annual City of Coquitlam grant. Stay tuned for exciting times ahead!

**"Let's put on a playground"**

**Clothing Drive for new Playground**

Go through your closets and drawers - just about anything can be bagged up and donated:

Clothes, shoes/boots, accessories/hats, bags, bedding/blankets...

Drop off your bags in the hallway on the other side of the gym.

Each bag is worth \$3.00 for the new Playground fund- last year we raised \$750.00!

The DDA (Developmental Disabilities Association) will pick up in November.

For more info: [shannonantunes@telus.net](mailto:shannonantunes@telus.net)

## Fun Fundraising

### Fundraising or Donation - OR BOTH? –

All of us need to be able to make a difference, working together to allow our kids the best educational experience possible. In the meantime please read below for the upcoming plans for next year from our Fundraising Coordinator Nicole Schenato:

### Fundraising & Tax Deductible Donations - 2011/2012

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to a brand new year of fundraising to benefit our school community. Mundy Road Elementary PAC fundraises each year with the goal of enhancing the children's experience at school. The funds raised contribute toward many things that improve our school, for example;

- Supplementing the cost of a field trip
- Offsetting the cost of school wide activities, such as- tennis lessons,
- Cultural events, and even new sports equipment.
- Providing activities for rainy day boxes in classrooms
- Teacher wish lists (perhaps making one of your teacher's wishes come true!
- Emergency preparedness
- Computers

**Our Fundraising Goal for general PAC funds: \$9,600**

**How can you help? 😊**

There are several ways you can help out. Firstly, we would ask you to seriously consider making a **Tax Deductible Donation** to Mundy Road Elementary School. This kind of donation mounts up very quickly and makes a huge difference when planning activities for the year. We would like to recommend a donation in the range of \$35.00 per student (for families with several children in the school, we suggest \$75 per family). Tax Receipts are issued for donations of \$25.00 or more by the School District. Business donations are also very welcome.

**(Donation Form Attached)**

To supplement activities further, product based fundraisers will also be organized during the year, some to benefit the PAC and others to contribute to the playground fund. Some of the fundraisers that have been organized are:

# Fundraising Highlights

**Entertainment books** (mid September)

**Pub night** (mid November)

**Shred a thon** (April)

**Plant sale** (TBA)

**Bowling night** (mid May)

We hope that each family will decide the best way for them to make a difference this year. There is no obligation to participate in every single fundraiser but please support our efforts whenever you can. It does assist us greatly to receive the donations early in the year so that we can adjust our goal so please return your completed form and your donation by October 15<sup>th</sup> if possible. Let's give our kids a great year!

If you have any questions regarding fundraising, please contact our Fundraising Coordinator, Nicole Schenato at [RNRCO1@hotmail.com](mailto:RNRCO1@hotmail.com)

## Kelly Zimmer

### "Ask our Principal"

Welcome Kindergarten parents.

Kindergarten is full day as you noted and all Kindergarten parents have been sent a welcoming letter and an outline for the week.

All kindergarten students are to come to school at 10 am (this is one hour later than students in grades 1 to 5). The students will have their attendance taken and teachers (all our Kindergarten teachers) will meet all the students.

The next 3 days (Wednesday to Friday) the parents of each kindergarten student have a 30-minute meeting with one of the kindergarten teachers (that time has been sent home to parents). Kindergarten students do not come to school for that week unless they come in with their parent(s) for that 30 minute meeting.

On Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten students will come for a partial day, (8:50 to 11:00) and on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> they will come from 8:50 to 1:00 pm- this will be their first day that they stay through the lunch hour!  
On Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, Kindergarten students will stay for their first full day.

This gradual entry plan is in place throughout the district, for all elementary schools. It allows for our newest students to become comfortable and familiar with their new surroundings.

I hope this has helped clarify the kindergarten start up, but please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Kelly Zimmer

### **Reminder - School Times are a-Changing**

8:50 am: Arrive at School (bell sounds)

8:55 am: School Begins

10:25 am - 10:40 am: Recess

12:10 pm - 12:55 pm: Lunch

2:50 pm: School Ends

Please don't be hesitant to ask if you have any questions, suggestions or general input.

See you soon.

Jehnel Wong  
Communication Coordinator

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**Thank you**  
**Mundy Road Elementary PAC**