

Sherwood Park PAC Newsletter



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April PAC Meeting

Our next PAC meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday April 26 to accommodate for the District meeting being held on the Tuesday (see below). Our PAC meeting is in the school's library at 7:00 pm. All parents are welcome to attend. Babysitters are always available (no charge).

The primary focus of the meeting will be to discuss possible programs and expenditures for next year. If you have ideas or opinions on generating income and/or our PAC sponsored extra-curricular programs we would love to get your input. We have also asked teachers for their feedback and ideas. This conversation will be used to help us develop the 2017/18 budget which is delivered and approved at the May PAC meeting.

In addition we will discuss the roles of the PAC Executive members as we will be needing at a minimum one new executive role (via election at the May meeting). As always, there will be a review of the year-to-date budget, the Principal's report and an opportunity for new business to be brought forward. The meeting is scheduled to end at 8:00.

Following the PAC meeting the Carnival Planning Committee will be meeting – any parents wishing to participate in planning Carnival are also welcome to join in.

Minutes from the last meeting are not available at this time and will be delivered before the next meeting. We hope to see you on April 26!

District 44 Information Session – Supreme Court Ruling

By now you have likely heard about the Supreme Court decision and are aware that financial resources will be returning to schools including more teachers and smaller class sizes. This will lead to many changes both within the District and at Sherwood Park. The North Vancouver School District is taking an opportunity to explain some of the changes at the next Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday April 25 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is held at the Education Services Centre at 2121 Lonsdale. All interested parties are welcome to attend the meeting. A message from the District will be forthcoming with further details.

We have requested copies of the minutes and presentation. If and when we receive them, we will ensure that they are either emailed out to parents or included in a subsequent newsletter.

Calendar of PAC Events

PAC Meetings:

April 26 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)
May 30

Hot Lunch:

April 10 – Magic Lunch Box
April 21 – Pizza
April 24 - Sushi
May 1 – Magic Lunch Box
May 12 – Subway
May 18 – Pizza
May 29 – Sushi
June 2 - Subway
June 5 - Magic Lunch Box
June 9 – Pizza
June 19 - Sushi

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PAC Sponsored Events

- Ache Brasil Performance Group – April 14
- Igirl/Iguy (Grade 4s) – April 19
- Folk Dancing – May 15 to 19
- Tennis – May 23 to June 8
- **Carnival – June 22**

School Spirit Wear

If you missed your chance to purchase spirit gear, email sherwoodparkpac@gmail.com to check our stock and place an order. Available items include logo toques, hoodies, t-shirts, sweatpants, water bottles and coffee mugs.



Missing Drive to 5 Sign/Traffic Reminders

Our Drive to 5 sign on Fairway Drive has walked away and so far is no where to be found. We are hoping that it is a relatively harmless prank and has been relocated to someone's yard. If you happen upon the missing sign, please help us out by dropping it off at the school.

In the mean time, we would like to remind you that the Drive to 5 Parking Zones are intended to help improve traffic congestion and safety around our school. We know that walking to school is not an option for some of our families, and it is one of the primary reasons that we started the Drive to 5 campaign. We encourage you to drop your children off, or park and walk with them, in one of the many areas that take only a few minutes to walk the rest of the way school. These areas include the Dollarton Village, Felton Road (off Dollar), Caddy Road (off Fairway) or Roche Point.

There are a few easy ways that we can work together to make morning drop off more efficient and reduce traffic around our school:

- **Volunteer to supervise our Safety Patrol students!** Coming soon some of our students will have undergone training for safety patrol. We hope to be able to run the Safety Patrol mornings from 8:30 to 8:50. We can only accomplish this with parent volunteers to help supervise the students. If you are able to help out in this way, [email us](#) and we will get you complete details.
- **Not all kids need to be dropped off at the front door.** Consider utilizing our Drive to 5 zones.
- **Adjust your drop off/pick up time.** If your child is mature enough to be on the playground unattended for a short period of time, consider an 8:30 drop off or a 3:15 pick up.
- **The drop off zone is for QUICK drop offs/pick-up.** You should not be getting out of the car with your children in the drop off zone. Pull up, children get out of the car, pull out. Have backpacks easily accessible so that you don't have to get out of your car.
- **Pay attention to posted signs and bylaws.** The yellow curbs are there for a reason. Do not drop your children off in front of the crosswalk where your car blocks the view of children attempting to cross the street.

Need more encouragement to walk or ride to school? Students who walk, ride or roll to and from school show better concentration ability in the classroom, have lower risk of obesity, heart disease, cancer and diabetes in the long run, and are more likely to get the required 60 minutes of daily physical activity. With the warmer weather starting, now is the perfect time to start the habit of walking to school!



Community Supporters

RASMUSSEN GROUP

If you buy/sell your home or refer a friend to the Rasmussen tea, **10% of their earnings from that sale come back to the PAC!**

www.yournewpad.com



IT'S THE MORTGAGE GUY

New mortgages or debt refinancing? Consider Jonathon Adams of the Verico Nova Team as your local mortgage broker, and **10% of earnings are donated back to the PAC!**



www.ItsTheMortgageGuy.com

NESTERS MARKET

When you are grocery shopping, **tell them you are school #2** and the loyalty points will be directed to Sherwood Park.



TOOKA FLORIST

10% of your order comes back to our school when you tell them you are a Sherwood Park family.

www.tooka.ca



BEAUTIFUL EYES

Purchase glasses for your family and a portion of the proceeds are donated back to the school.

www.beautifuleyes.ca



Community News and Events

2017/18 School Calendar Approved

The Board of Education approved the 2017/18 School Calendar. The School Calendar has been approved as proposed. A two-week winter break will be held from December 25, 2017 to January 5, 2018. A two-week spring break will be held from March 19, 2018 to March 29, 2018 (Good Friday and Easter Monday fall respectively on Friday, March 30th and Monday, April 2nd; schools re-open on Tuesday, April 3, 2018).

For more information on the decision-making process regarding the calendar or to view the approved school calendar, please visit:

<http://www.sd44.ca/District/DistrictCalendar/Pages/default.aspx>

North Vancouver PAC Updates

The next NVPCA general meeting is held on Wednesday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Service Centre (Lonsdale). All parents in the district are welcome to attend. The main topic of the meeting will be Physical Literacy.

The NVPAC has a number of active committees with the School District and various partner groups that include parent representation. Updates on the committees are reported at each general meeting. You are welcome to contact the NVPAC for updates if you are unable to attend the general meetings.

Cheakamus Centre Annual Open House

Since 1986, the North Vancouver Outdoor School Alumni Society has worked to encourage and support environmental and cultural education for the Outdoor School program at Cheakamus Centre. Their 48th Annual Open House will be on Sunday May 7th, from 10:30am to 3:30pm. Families are invited to enjoy a fun filled day with lots of activities for everyone including, prizes and a silent auction. Proceeds from the auction benefit the Outdoor School for Kids Bursary program. For more details refer to their website at www.cheakamuscentre.ca

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Carnival!

We are excited to deliver our biggest carnival yet! Rides, games, food, prizes and a few surprises. We would love to have you be a part of it. Let us know if you have a skill or service that you can add to the event.



Thursday, June 22

WHY WALK OR ROLL TO SCHOOL?

STUDENT HEALTH

Kids who walk or roll to school arrive ready to learn!

Better physical fitness, better sleep, happier, less anxiety.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Meet and connect with neighbours! Eyes on the street = safer communities.

Environmentally friendly!

STUDENT SAFETY

Connections = safer communities.

Fewer cars = more safety.

LESS CONGESTION

Less congestion = less stress.

Walking or rolling to school means more precious quality time with your kids!