

BPAC

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BPAC Newsletter

February 17th, 2012

Message from BPAC

Spring is coming...and with it, comes lots of activity at Blueridge.

Upcoming Events:

1. Kindergarten Purdy's Easter Chocolate fundraiser.
2. Popcorn Mondays continue with steady success.



Items of Interest:

1. Smart Board #7 is now installed and functioning in the grade 5/6 classroom! It seems that now all the teachers are lining up to get a Smart Board for their classroom. This is great news for parents because as excited as the teachers are to get them, we hear the kids are just as excited to be in a class that uses them!
2. Recently, a survey was sent by NVPAC to all the schools regarding IT use and plans within each school. This was also recently discussed at our Family of Schools (FOS) meeting in terms of how to create a plan of technology continuum into high school for our elementary students. This issue arises with the realization that while Blueridge has invested heavily in Smart Board technology, the other schools in our family have all chosen something a little different. Creating a plan for the future will benefit all the children that eventually head off to Windsor and it all begins with communication. Once the job action is over, there will be discussions between Windsor administration and representatives from all the FOS schools, including PACs, to ensure we are all on board.

The next BPAC Meeting is Wednesday February 29th, at 7:30pm in the school library
(there is NO BPAC meeting in March)

Coming Soon:

District Wide Professional Day
Food Day #11
Spring Break (no school)
Food Day #12
Good Friday (no school)
Easter Monday (no school)
Food Day #13
Next BPAC Newsletter
BPAC Meeting



Friday, February 24th, 2012
Friday, March 2nd, 2012
March 10th - March 25th, 2012
Friday, March 30th, 2012
Friday, April 6th, 2012
Monday, April 9th, 2012
Friday, April 13th, 2012
Friday, April 20th, 2012
Wednesday, April 25th, 2012 at 7:30pm



The Easter Bunny is coming soon....

the Kindergarten parents are hosting the Purdy's Easter Chocolate Fundraiser this year!



*** Watch for the brochures coming home soon ***

Popcorn Mondays

Look for BPAC's Popcorn Fundraiser every Monday at the start of lunch hour. Available at the outside door of the old Kindergarten room (south entrance of school).

Thanks for your support - the kids LOVE their popcorn!!

\$1 per bag



Popcorn volunteers needed!

If you could help out on a Monday please contact [Nicole Dent](#)

Treasurer's Report:



Balance on January 17th, 2012: \$21,799

Funds received:

Meal days	1,202
Popcorn Days	428
Interest	2

Funds paid out:

Cultural & Performing Arts-Li Liu	- 713
Teacher Funds	- 200
Choir Supplies	- 179
Music Supplies	- 112
Flowers	- 56
Misc	- 17

Balance on February 15th, 2012: \$22,152

Byron Turn-around ...



REMINDER

This is a **DROP OFF** only area.

Please do **NOT** park here unless:

- you are waiting **in the car** to pick up **OR** drop off your child.

Please do **NOT** wait by the yellow curb across from the turn-around as this is a SAFETY HAZARD for pedestrians & traffic flow - an accident waiting to happen!

Volunteers Needed ... Help !!

Co-Treasurer:

Do you have any accounting experience and an interest in helping make a difference in our school?

We need a volunteer **Co-Treasurer** to join our current Treasurer on the BPAC Executive as soon as possible. We'll show you the ropes! Please contact **Sharlene Gallilee** (sgallilee@hotmail.com) for more information.



Newsletter Editor:

BPAC is looking for a parent volunteer to become the *Newsletter Editor* beginning in September 2012.

The volunteer will be using the Adobe InDesign program to put together BPAC related news each month. You do **NOT** need to be computer savy, but it would be helpful to receive training before the end of this school year.



For more information, please contact **Tracey Smith** at tracey.smith@shaw.ca.

For up to date
BPAC news and
school related news & events ...

visit
www.blueridgepac.net



SHERWOOD PARK ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

When: April 1

- Get rid of clutter*
- Clear the decks*
- Join the fun*



Sherwood Park PAC would like to invite you to take a table and load it up with your treasures for others to find.

We'll do the advertising, set up the tables and provide coffee and treats for sale to your hungry customers. The sale will be in the gym, so we won't get rained on. We're planning crafts and fun and hoping for a big group of shoppers. Table fee and admission proceeds will go to the PAC, but sellers will of course make money from everything they sell. We can arrange a charity pickup of any unsold items at the end of the day.

Tables - \$25 each

Location - Sherwood Park Gym

Organizers - Pam Havens and Ann Tuck

Please email tuckfamily@shaw.ca by February 29, 2012 to reserve a table or to offer your volunteer time.

This would be the first year for this event, so we want to ensure we have critical mass before we finalize and start advertising.

No payment will be due until we're sure we have enough great sellers. We'll let you know on March 6.

Thanks!

Pam and Ann.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
VOLUNTEER
RECRUITMENT
EVENT

February 22, 2012 7pm to 8pm
Artists for Kids Gallery
810 west 21st Street, North Vancouver, B.C.

The Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art
will be located at 21st and Lonsdale, and you
can be a part of it.

Our Volunteer program is expanding, and we
invite you to join us.

If you have a little bit of time, or a lot, and
value art education and the importance of
Canadian culture in our community, we want
to welcome you to our team.

We are actively seeking volunteers with art
education experience, and those who simply
love art or contributing to their community.
We need support for positions as varied as
Mail-out Support and Docents, Clerical
Support and Event Planners, Writers and Pho-
tographers, and Sponsor Support.

Contact us for more information at
info@artists4kids.com





Artists for Kids brings established Canadian artists together with school-aged kids, to introduce the excitement of visual arts to students through hands-on education and exploration.
Artists for Kids is proudly supported by The Smith Foundation.

2012 Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art and Artists for Kids Art Education Centre

Volunteers Needed

Job Description:

- Docents
- Gallery Sitters
- Media Assistants
- Mail Out Assistants
- Event Volunteers
- Sponsor Solicitors

Please Note: Volunteer hours and skills vary depending on job description; training will be given as needed.

Skills Preferred:

- Students Grade 10 -12
- College and University Students
- Retirees, Parents, Neighbours, Friends and Family
- Enthusiastic, outgoing, ability to work on a team or independently
- Ability to follow instructions
- Ability to speak to small or large groups

**To sign up for our Volunteer Team and to learn more, contact: info@artists4kids.com
or call 604 903 3798**