

Newsletter November 2016



Hello From Your PAC!

The Oaklands PAC works in partnership with the principal, teachers and staff to enhance educational, recreational and cultural development for the children who are students of the school.

The Oaklands PAC is led by a 12-person Executive elected annually at the PAC's October Annual General Meeting. The PAC Executive is just one of many ways parents and caregivers can contribute to the school. At Oaklands, the success of the PAC is due to the willing spirit of parents and caregivers who step up to coordinate projects and jump in to help throughout the year.

Special PAC Events Welcome Back Cafe Pizza Day

Pizza Day
Special Lunches
Movie Nights
Family Fun Day
Holiday Workshop
Staff Appreciation Lunch
Spring Dance

If you are interested in helping out with any of these events, please e-mail us at:

victoria.oaklands.pac@gmail.com

Safe Arrival Call Back

The Safe Arrival Call Back Program is in need of volunteers! This is a parent-run program with the goal of ensuring that every Oaklands student is 'safe' and where they ought to be.

The call back process occurs each morning between 8:50-9:50 AM (less time if there are just a few names on the list). There are approximately 20 days per month to fill. With many volunteers, your time commitment could be as little as 1 hour per month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Erika at my3littlemen@shaw.ca.

If your child is going to be late or absent, please call 250-595-4789.

Upcoming Dates

November 17 – Booster Juice

(Orders due by 3 PM)

November 18 - Pro-D Day

November 21 – PAC General Meeting

(6-7:30 PM in the library)

November 25 – Booster Juice Day!

November 29 – Pizza orders due by 3 PM

December 2 – Pizza Day!

December 3 – Holiday Workshop!

(10 AM - 2 PM in the Gym)

Hot Lunch Update



he new online ordering website is running smoothly and has greatly simplified and streamlined the whole ordering system, saving our dedicated PAC volunteers at least one hundred hours of work over the course of the school year!

December will be the last month to use paper orders. Beginning in January, 2017, all Lunch Day ordering will be online. If you do not wish to pay online, you may print your remittance form and submit it with your cash or cheque payment to the school office. Please make cheques out to Oaklands PAC.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who come out every month to deliver the food!

Please visit www.oaklandspac.hotlunches.net to register and order.

Our PAC Executive

Co-President: Zoey Wells
Co-President: Liz Poppe
1st VP: Clint Megaffin
2nd VP: Donna Sanford
Secretary: Michelle Keims
Treasurer: Amanda Ouellet
Pizza Day Coordinator:
Tiffany Armstrong
Members: Kim Hennessey, Amy Mraze,
Eugene Johnson, Mike Page

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Budget Meeting

he next PAC meeting is Monday, November 21, 6:00-7:30 in the library.

The focus of this meeting will be the PAC 2016/17 Budget.

In planning for the year ahead, the PAC requires a budget approved by the general membership (that is, all parents and guardians of Oaklands students). Both the wishes of the membership and the needs of the school are taken into account. Principal Hovis has made the following requests on behalf of the school:

- 1. \$2300 for Chess: 12 classes receiving6 weeks each, for 1 hour per day
- 2. \$1200 for ArtStarts Performance: One whole school musical performance
- 3. \$2500 for uniforms: 24 rugby uniforms and 30 basic school uniforms
- 4. \$3800 for field trips: \$200 per trip for all 19 divisions
- 5. \$4200 for classroom supplies: \$175 per division, plus 2 music teachers, 3 LA teachers for a total of \$175 x 24 teachers.

Your input is valuable and we look forward to seeing you there!

If you would like to get up to speed on what has been discussed at the past PAC Meetings, please click on the link below to view PAC meeting minutes:

https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B9x NXO1VCZrGMkE4U3R2UFJHaEU

Community Fundraising

The following local businesses generously donate funds to the PAC. Just mention Oaklands PAC when shopping, or use your Thrifty Foods card! The PAC uses these funds to support field trips and extracurricular activities for students, and to host events such as Movie Nights and Family Fun Night.

The Soap Exchange Finn and Izzy Thrifty Foods



New Contribution Program

t the beginning of the school year, the PAC made the switch from active fundraising to a donation-based Contribution Program. This program will be our only fundraising push for the school year. 100% of the money raised will stay within our school community. With this fund, the PAC supports school clubs, field trips, and classroom learning as well as hosting free, family events such as Movie Nights, the Holiday Workshop, and the Spring Dance.

Thank you everyone for your generous donations; we have raised over \$2600 so far!

If you missed the initial deadline for the contribution not to worry, donations to the PAC can still be made via the hot lunches website: oaklandspac.hotlunches.net

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming PAC events.

"Make it Green" Holiday Workshop

ou are invited to our 1st Annual:

"Make It Green"
Holiday Workshop and Emporium!
Saturday, December 3rd
10 AM - 2 PM
Oaklands Elementary Gym

Kids can do some Christmas shopping for their families at the Emporium - nothing will cost more than \$1. They can also make wrapping paper and a card to go with your gift. And don't miss story time with Santa!

We will also be collecting food donations for the food bank.



Call for items for the Holiday Emporium

The PAC will be collecting items for our 1st Annual Make It Green Holiday Emporium.

Accepting small household items (e.g. vases, decorations, knick-knacks, kitchenware) and books, toys, games, and DVDs in excellent condition. Thank you!

We are collecting items Nov. 21 - Dec 2. Please bring any donations to the Donation Bins located in the school office.

