

# Doncaster Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) Newsletter

November 2022



## Winter Greenery Sale

We are so happy to bring back this popular fundraiser from Growing Smiles, a local company from the lower mainland offering quality and festive holiday greenery. Many of the products last well into the new year!

To keep things simple, [all orders can be placed online.](#)

Please share with friends and family! All pricing is on our website page.

The **deadline for orders is Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>** and products will be available for pick up at the school on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Upcoming events:

Nov. 11: Remembrance Day

Nov. 14: PD Day

Nov. 14: Created by Kids products delivered to school

Nov 17: Winter Greenery deadline

Nov. 26: Doncaster CRAFT FAIR

Nov. 26: Purdy's Chocolates Order deadline

### Benefits of Plants for the Holidays



stress relief  
+ happiness



support a  
good cause



safe community  
connection



heart + health  
booster



easy decorations  
or gifts

# The Doncaster Craft Fair is back!

November 26, 10-3pm  
1525 Rowan Street

Our annual Craft Fair is happening on Nov. 26th! Please consider volunteering at this hugely popular community event that also happens to be a huge fundraiser for the school.

This is one of the biggest craft fairs in Greater Victoria offering locally made cards, jewellery, knitting, woodwork, baked goods and MUCH more.

A sign-up sheet will be going out soon for the delicious Bake Sale that needs the help of all those bakers out there!



## Kudos...

A **huge thank you** to Cyndi Whaley, Crista Shillington and Mikyla Zolpys for organizing an outstanding Halloween Howl Dance!! And a shout out to DJ Tony Woods for volunteering his time that night!



## Seeking Parent Ed Coordinator

The Doncaster PAC is looking for a parent who is willing to take a lead on any parent ed opportunities throughout the year. In the past we have joined with other schools to lower expenses. This role does not take a lot of time, but more a willingness to look into educational seminars that might be of interest to parents! Topics have included internet safety, managing stress and sexual health, just to name a few. Please email [dpac.doncaster@gmail.com](mailto:dpac.doncaster@gmail.com).

## Purdy's Fundraiser

As in previous years, we're doing a holiday fundraising campaign with Purdy's Chocolates.

[Join our campaign here](#) to place your orders. You'll be directed to input your email address and contact information. Next you can shop online through Purdy's Christmas chocolate catalogue. (Click "Use Marketplace" to view the product images.) Orders will be available for pickup at Doncaster school in early December.



There is a wide selection of treats to choose from including stocking stuffer sized chocolates to variety boxes.

**Order deadline : Saturday November 26**

We anticipate orders to be ready for pick up on Wednesday Dec 7 and will know more soon !

## Garden co-lead needed!

Doncaster is so lucky to have had motivated staff and volunteers to get the garden built, irrigated, prepped and planted over the past few years. We know that gardening offers a [myriad of benefits to children's well being](#), and so to keep the garden in good shape, we are seeking a parent to co-lead the Garden Project with teacher, Ms Bigham.

If you're interested in learning more, please contact [dpac.doncaster@gmail.com](mailto:dpac.doncaster@gmail.com).



## Family support

Doncaster has received some funds from the Ministry that are intended to assist families at our school or in our community who might require some financial assistance this year. If you or someone you know could benefit from this program, please reach out to Cindy Harte or Jennifer Cox for more information.



## More info

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