

# Doncaster Parent Advisory Council Newsletter

Sept 2023

## Back to school picnic

*Thursday, Sept. 21st at 5pm-7pm*

You are all cordially invited to our first Doncaster Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) event of the year! Picnic is next **Thursday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> at 5pm-7pm**. It's a perfect way to get to know other families, relax and enjoy the spacious school grounds. A few things to note:

- Pizza will be available but will be on a first come, first served basis but will likely not feed everyone. As such, we highly recommend that you pack some back up options just in case!
- Ice cream treats will also be for sale by our Grade 5 students. CASH ONLY for ice cream and pizza.
- CandyTime food truck will be onsite with cotton candy, popcorn and fresh lemonade.
- **Additional beverages and snacks will NOT be available so please bring water bottles.**
- Vinyl Wave will be back to play for us so bring your dancing shoes!
- Other suggestions to bring: blankets, chairs, outdoor games, etc.



**Library Volunteers – Do you like books? Please consider spending 30-60 min to pop into the library and help restock our shelves. Contact Hilda in the office ([hmceachen@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:hmceachen@sd61.bc.ca)) to arrange a time.**



## Class Reps

*Calling on all class reps!*

Every year we need one person in each division to volunteer to be the liaison between the PAC and the classroom parents. This role is not overly time consuming and is a great way to get to know other parents and your teacher!

Duties primarily include forwarding occasional emails from the PAC and organizing group gifts for the teachers in December and June. This is a helpful and essential role in order to ensure a degree of communication outside of the school district. Please email us at [dpac.doncaster@gmail.com](mailto:dpac.doncaster@gmail.com) to volunteer!

## Created by Kids

### *Annual Fundraiser*

This popular fundraiser will be kicking off next week as teachers work with the kids to create some incredible artwork! More details on how to order to follow in the coming weeks.

## New Facebook Group

### *Social media updates*

A huge thank you to Alanna Keller and Brendan Berbenuik for taking on our FB page as we seek to provide another outlet for parents to share and receive information about our school. This will be a private page, and members will be able to find all current events, share ideas or ask questions, just to name a few. Please go to [Doncaster PAC Community | Facebook](#) to join.

## Fun Lunch Program

### *Thank you, Lindsay Stead*

This much loved program and fundraiser will be back thanks to our newest coordinator Lindsay Stead. More details on ordering to follow. A remind that in order to deliver this program, volunteers are ESSENTIAL for helping to sort and deliver meals to classrooms each month.

## Doncaster Spirit Wear

### *Volunteer Lead Needed*

A big thank you to Cindy Luchka for organizing the orders and distribution for Spirit Wear year after year. She will be stepping down this year so if you'd like to continue this program, please consider taking it over! Email us for more information: [dpac.doncaster@gmail.com](mailto:dpac.doncaster@gmail.com)





## Halloween Dance

### *Volunteers needed*

This extremely popular PAC event is tentatively going forward thanks to Crista Shillington who has agreed to organize it again this year (thank you Crista!). [But she needs your help!](#) Please let us know if you can help organize or volunteer on the night in question, Friday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Introducing the 2023 PAC:

- President – Nicole Woods
- Vice-President – Chris Wright
- Treasurer – Dan Perrakis/Cindy Luchka
- Secretary – Stephanie Mills
- Members at Large – Warren Weicker, Jodi Green, Nic Green
- Fun Lunch Coordinator – Lindsay Stead
- Parent Education Coordinator – Oona Jean
- Newsletter – Jen Grant/Sandra Robertson
- Website – Warren Weicker
- Social Media – Alanna Kellar/Brendan Berbenuik

