

Sangster "Treasure Chest"



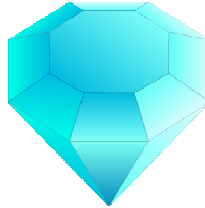
News & Notes from your PAC

Newsletter #1

"Come Aboard – Treasure the Voyage!"

2009/10 PAC Meeting Schedule

- Wednesday, September 16, 2009
- Wednesday, October 7, 2009
- Tuesday, November 10, 2009
- Wednesday, December 9, 2009
- Wednesday, January 13, 2010
- Wednesday, February 10, 2010
- Wednesday, March 3, 2010
- Wednesday, April 7, 2010
- Wednesday, May 12, 2010
- Wednesday, June 9, 2010



Welcome Back! We hope you had a fun & safe Summer Break! We would like to introduce our new Newsletter – please feel free to contact us with any suggestions @ bluefaerie@live.com.

Thank you ☺

WELCOME!

Welcome back to Sangster Families, and a special welcome for new Sangster Families, for the start of the 2009/10 school year! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer!

If you don't know me, my name is Sharon Moss and I'm the PAC President this year. I have 2 daughters who are in grade 5 and grade 1, and this is my fifth year on the PAC Executive. The rest of your PAC Executive this year is:

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| • Kari Hutchison – Vice President | • Joan Hoffman – SPEAC rep |
| • Crystall Borton – Treasurer | • Jeanine Woodman – Member at Large |
| • Sue Fehr – Secretary | • Shanlea Greene – Member at Large |
| • Cindy Lynn – Fundraising | • Brandi Calnan – Member at Large |
| • Liz Bernays – Hot Lunch Coordinator | • Trudy Weeks – Safe Arrival Coordinator |
| • Kristin Pickup – Social Convener | |

The PAC (Parent Advisory Council) is a group of parents that meet once a month to discuss school issues, liaise between parents and teaching staff, coordinate special activities and events, provide hot lunch days for students and help raise funds to enhance our children's education (such as new computers, sports equipment, earthquake preparedness, special guests at assemblies, etc.). Generally, the PAC meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7 pm in the school library for approximately 1 ½ hours, although this year, with the way statutory holidays fall, some of the meetings are a bit later or earlier than usual. Please check out the meeting scheduled for this year posted above.

Attending is a great way to network with other parents, get to know the school principal and stay connected with what is going on at your child's school. This year, we are hoping to have a guest speaker at every 2nd or 3rd meeting that will discuss issues of interest. Those meetings will start a little earlier (6:30) to ensure enough time for discussion and questions before starting our meeting. If you have suggestions for speakers or topics, please let me know. We will let you know the topic and speaker through this newsletter as soon as we have set it up.

I would also like to extend a huge thank you to Windsor Plywood who has very generously come forward to help fund our crossing guard. It's businesses and families like these that help make Sangster the wonderful community it is today.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to talk to any of the PAC Executive. You can reach me at 250-474-0112 or e-mail alofmoss@telus.net.

- Sharon Moss

Hot Lunch/Snack Day!

Sangster's first hot lunch/snack day of the school year is planned for September 25th.

Order forms have already been sent home.

Fundraising: Did you know that all the profit raised from fundraising goes directly towards the kids of Sangster? We try to keep it to a minimum and only use fundraisers that are popular. If you have a fundraising suggestion, please email bluefaerie@live.com.

Upcoming fundraising events! QSP Readers Digest order forms are being sent home today – due date for order forms is Oct 2nd – Please note you can order online at anytime @ www.qsp.ca & enter code 3439! Also look out for the NorCard Catalogue, Purdy's Chocolates & other treats in the coming weeks.

Here are some totals for Fundraising from last year:

- Norcard - cards, wrapping paper, calendars \$460
- QSP - Readers Digest magazine orders \$770
- Thrifty Foods Smile Card \$480
- Purdy's Christmas chocolates \$675
- Marigold Poinsettias \$355
- Christmas concert - 50/50 raffle and front row seat draw \$490
- Under the Sea Family Dance & Silent Auction \$2700
- Marigold Baskets and Bedding Plants \$670
- Hot Lunch/Snack Days \$2900

Thank you in advance for your help with a profitable 2009/10 year!! - Cindy Lynn

...and here's where we spent some money:

- 4 new flat screen TVs for the primary grades and 7 TV mounts (3 flat screen TVs for the intermediate classes were purchased by District equipment funding \$5600
- Classroom support - field trips & supplies \$3200
- Elmo Document Camera & projector (teaching tool) \$1500
- School concerts/workshops - Michael Mitchell, Bach to Beatles & Science Venture \$1100
- Art supplies \$1050
- Music support (i.e. CD player for music room, recorders for Grade 4 music class, other miscellaneous musical instruments, piano bench and other supplies) \$1040

FYI - Chris's 2 for 1 Pizza is continuing to offer our school a fundraiser program. For every order placed with them by Sangster families or friends, a \$3 donation will be made to our school. Just mention **Sangster when you order.**

Parent Class Representatives

This year the PAC would like to get Parent Representatives from each classroom. It is hoped that having a parent rep from each class will lead to good communication between each class, the PAC, students and our Principal. The class rep would attend PAC meetings and take back upcoming activities and events.

If you are interested in being a classroom rep, please contact Sharon Moss at 250-474-0112 or allofmoss@telus.net.

Comfort Kits

Help prepare our kids for an emergency! Someday there may be a time when your child will need to stay at Sangster for an extended period of time due to an emergency. Each child is asked to prepare and bring in a comfort kit that will be kept at Sangster in case of an emergency. In this kit, and in the zip-lock bag provided, please supply:

- 1 tetra pack of juice/juice box
- 1 granola bar/fruit strip/dry soup (or other non-perishable healthy snack)
- 1 small treat (candy/sucker)
- 1 band-aid
- Kleenex
- Family picture
- Comfort letter/note to your child
- your child's name, teacher and grade on the label provided