



NORMA ROSE POINT PAC NEWSLETTER

Message from PAC Chair:

Fall is upon us and with it, the rain.

With the Parent Conversation Group up and running, the Friday Family Reading starting, and with two amazing Parent Education Night Speakers coming in the next month, we hope that there is something of interest for you as a parent.

If you have an idea for a parent group or a topic for our Parent Conversation group please feel free to email me at :

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday Nov. 1: PAC Meeting 6:30-7:00pm

Parent Education Night Speaker: 7:00-8:30pm

Friday Nov. 4: Family Reading in Learning Commons
8:15-8:55am

PAC Morning Tea 8:55-10:00am

Wednesday Nov. 9: Remembrance Day Ceremony at School

Thursday Nov. 10: Pro D Day-No School

Friday Nov. 11: Remembrance Day- No School.



Friday Nov. 18: Family Reading in Learning
Commons 8:15-8:55am

Friday Nov. 25: Family Reading in Learning Commons
8:15-8:55am

Monday Nov. 5: Pro D Day-No School

Tuesday Nov. 6: PAC Meeting 6:30-7:00pm

Parent Education Night Speaker:
7:00-8:30pm

Parent Education Nights:

PAC has booked a few well known speakers to come talk to parents about different topics this year. The first two are coming up.

November 1: Jessie Miller: He will be in the school talking to the students about technology. We thought this is a great opportunity for parents to hear what he has to say (and suggestions he has) on "Living in a Digital World".

December 4: Deborah MacNamara: She will be presenting on "Understanding Resistance in Children and/or Adolescents: "

Like all PAC meetings we will have free to you child care available for the entirety of the PAC meeting and Parent Education Night.

We will have the presentations from 7:00-8:00 but have allowed 30 minutes at the end for questions.

Friday Family Reading/ Parent Coffee and Tea:

Once again, the first Friday of November PAC would like to invite all kids and parents to join us in the Learning Commons for family reading (and other activities) from 8:15-8:55am. As a parent you are invited to stay for coffee and tea from 9-10:30am.

This coming Friday, November 4th there will be a special presentation from 9:15am-10:30am. The session will be led by Sean Marlyn and Tanya Gallman. There will be Multicultural Worker Robert Li and SWIS Worker Esaine also in attendance. This will be a great time to gather information and ask any questions you may have.



Remembrance Day:

This is the day sometimes referred to as Armistice Day. It is held each year on November 11 to mark the day and time when all armies stopped fighting in WWI (The 11th Hour of the 11th day of the 11th Month). It is now a day which gives us a chance to pay respect and to honour all people

who have fought in wars, both past and present.

Many people will wear a Poppy on their jacket. Here is why: In the Spring of 1915, a Canadian doctor by the name of Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae lost a friend in the fighting. He was inspired when he saw a field full of poppy flowers. He then =penned the now famous poem In Flanders Fields. After the war ended the Poppy became a symbol of Remembrance.

On Wednesday November 9th the school will hold their Remembrance Ceremony. Parents are welcome to attend. I highly recommend, if you are coming, to bring a Kleenex as it is a very moving ceremony which often brings us to tears. More information about the Ceremony times will be emailed out later.

Lost & Found Donation:

This is a reminder that the NRP Lost and Found is still overflowing. Just so parents are aware, at the end of each term, all the clothing and good food containers are washed, packed up and sent off to Britannia Elementary School. You have until the first week of December to claim any items before they are donated. So ***on Friday December 2nd, any Lost and Found items will be sent to donation!***

Lunch Program:

The next Term menu is almost ready to go! If you have any feedback for the Lunch Committee please let them know by emailing rosepointpac.lunch@gmail.com. The menu should be open the last half of November. The Lunch Committee will notify parents when it is up on the Website:

<http://nrppac.hotlunches.net>

Grouse Mountain PAC Fundraiser:

Do you buy Grouse Mountain Passes? They have developed a PAC Fundraising Program that NRP has decided to try. If you purchase a Early Bird Pass (meaning it must be purchased by November 13th), and there are at least 15 sold, our PAC will receive 15% cash back! What that means is if 15 Early Bird Passes are sold under our school code, NRP PAC will get \$1,122.75. If 20 passes are sold, we get \$1497.00 and on and on.

I will send a copy of the information along with the digital copy of this Newsletter. Please know that if you purchase the passes in person YOU MUST PROVIDE THE CODE: PAC-ROSE

If you purchase on line you must click "Apply" after entering the code or else the system will not document it as a PAC purchase.

All details can be found on the poster I have attached with the newsletter.



New Feature:



PAC VOLUNTEER/ VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

This month I would like to highlight the amazing work put in by all the **PAC Lunch Volunteers**. These are parents who help run

the PAC Lunch Program. Without these amazing people the program would not be able to run.

First off I would like to recognize

Donghong Liu who is the Volunteer Chair. She has worked tirelessly with the lunch program for several years. Her ability to reach out to people and keep the volunteer schedules organized is amazing. She has been volunteering at the school since before it was called Norma Rose Point!

Jing Shi (Ellen): Ellen has been a lunch volunteer since her family moved to UBC. She volunteers once per week but comes anytime we need extra help. She says "My son Justin has studied at NRP for more than two years. The running of the five day hot lunch program depends on the co-effort of all parents involved. As a parent volunteer I do appreciate the opportunity to take part in the program because the best thing you can give your child is your time!"

Fangqi Wang: "I am the mom of two girls, 13 and 8 years old. Two years ago both of them joined NRP. I started to be a volunteer at school since then. I regard it as a great opportunity to establish the communication channel with the school, the teacher and my kids. And, it does serve as helping hand in all aspects. I am very proud to have been a lunch volunteer in the hot lunch program and I sincerely wish it runs successfully and smoothly through our team efforts."

Winnie Gong: Winnie has two children at NRP, one in Grade 3 and one in Grade 7. She says "My children have been at NRP for two years. They like NRP very much. I appreciate our PAC to work hard for the hot lunch program. I am so proud of our Chinese parents that actively join the lunch volunteer team. I am pleased to be a volunteer and do my small part to help them. I also hope more parents generously respond and join us!"

Xiaohua Liu (Amy): "I have two children in Norma Rose Point School. It is a pleasure to be part of the NRP family."

Yang Li: "I have two boys at NRP. Next year my youngest son will also come to NRP. I am glad to be a volunteer at our school."

Roya Bardshiry: "I am from Iran. My daughter, Sally, is in Grade 6. Because we are new to the school I started to volunteer for the lunch program so I can learn more about the school."

Yuwen Luo: Yuwen is one of the few dads who volunteer with the lunch program. His first son has been a student at NRP since the opening day of the school.

On behalf of all the parents at NRP I want to thank each and every one of you who take the time to volunteer for the lunch program.

If you are interested in becoming a lunch volunteer, please email the PAC at rosepointpac@gmail.com, or the Lunch Program at rosepointpac_lunch@gmail.com

Community Notice to Parents From UNA:

Please Help Mitigate the Noise Problem at Iona Green Park

The noises from children's play at Iona Green Park in Chancellor Place have affected the residents living in the adjacent buildings for quite some time. Qiuning Wang from the University Neighbourhoods Association is working on the mitigation process through community engagement and public education. She is also a Grade 6 parent of NRP, and she is sending the following message as a friendly reminder to the families who live in Chancellor Place and for those who use the play equipment at Iona Green Park.

- 1) Please provide supervision for your children while they are playing at Iona Green Park.
- 2) Be mindful about the noises made from your child's play. Due to the sound reflection of the concrete surfaces of the surrounding buildings, the noises can be amplified to a level that can significantly impact the life and health of some residents.
- 3) In the spirit of "It takes a village to raise a child", if you happen to see unsupervised children who are making loud noises such as screaming and yelling, or banging on equipment while playing, please remind them kindly to minimize their noises.
- 4) As the campus is becoming busier and denser, it is important to foster mutual understanding and respect for others in our kids and our community so that our neighborhoods can be enjoyed by everyone.
- 5) Qiuning is happy to answer any questions regarding the issue. If you have suggestions on how to mitigate the noises, please contact her at qiuning.wang@myun.ca; phone: 604 822.3799.

6) Here is the latest coverage of the progress in The Campus Resident on Page 4.

<http://www.myuna.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/CampusResident-Oct2016-proof-final-lowres.pdf>

Many thanks,

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