



NORMA ROSE POINT PAC NEWSLETTER

PAC Chair Message

What a start to the school year!

September is almost over and before we know it the cold walks to school will begin. On behalf of the PAC I want to thank everyone who has already reached out to offer help. There are great opportunities to help around the school, whether it in the Learning Commons (Library) or as a Lunch volunteer or on the PAC Executive.

PAC Email

Rosepointpac@gmail.com

Lunch Questions?

rosepointpacLunch@gmail.com

Important Dates:

Tuesday Oct. 4: PAC AGM/Meeting 6:30-7:30pm

Monday Oct. 10: Thanksgiving : No School

Tuesday Oct. 12: Photo Day : Send your kids with a smile!

Tuesday Oct. 18: Goal Setting Conference : Early dismissal

Wednesday Oct. 19: Goal Setting Conference : Early dismissal

Friday Oct. 21: ProD Day : No School

Red Cross Babysitting Course : all day at NRP

Tuesday Nov. 1: PAC Meeting/Parent Education Night (Jessie Miller-Living in a Digital Age) : 6:30-8:00

Thursday Nov. 10: ProD Day : No School

Friday Nov. 11: Remembrance Day : No School

PAC AGM

Please Join us on Tuesday October 4th for our PAC AGM. We will have you vote on the new PAC Executives and vote in a budget for the year.

We are also very excited to have one of our Grade 4/5 teachers, Ms. Rosemary Burd coming to speak along with updates from school administration.

As will be the case with all meetings, PAC has hired 6 students with their Red Cross Babysitting Certification to look after your kids.

Here is a list of those up for nomination. It is not too late to put your name forward....even for PAC Chair :)

PAC Chair: Jody Yau
 PAC Co-Chair: Sharon Yu (from the K-5 side)
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Secretary:

Treasurer: Hisham Zarriffi
 Lunch Treasurer: Monica Ma
 Lunch Coordinator: Beth Krisciunas
 Event Committee Chair: Beth Krisciunas
 Communication: Julie Wang and
 Eagle Glassheim
 Volunteer Coordinator: Donghong Liu
 At-Large: Katy Howden
 Joanna Jia
 Rachel Wu
 Sonia Ben Slimane

Direct Appeal Fundraiser:

I want to start by expressing my gratitude to everyone who has made donations to the direct appeal so far. This is the easiest way for us to gather funds requested by staff and school administration to buy items much needed (books, Math online programs,).

So far we have made it just over two thirds of way to our goal of \$25,000! I know it is a lot of money but we still need to raise more.

If you have not yet donated, and are financially able to, please consider making that donation today. You can make it through

PayPal. There is a Donate button on our PAC website just above the PayPal logo. If paying by cheque, please make it out to Norma Point PAC. Also be sure your address (including postal code)

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the cheque or envelope. This ensures we can get the VSB to create a tax receipt for you.

Lunch Volunteers still needed!

In order to continue the lunch program we are really needing more parents to sign up to help. It is fast and easy. We just need help from 11:30-12:30. It is important that we have parents there to go through the food and make sure no one who ordered is missing their lunch. PLEASE go onto the website and click the volunteer button on the menu if you can help. Or email rosepointpaculunch@gmail.com. We will get your name to the Volunteer Coordinator, Donghong.

Goal Setting Conference:

Several times each year the school holds goal setting conferences. The purpose is to be able to sit with both your child and their teacher to discuss goals for the upcoming term. You will get a notice from your child's teacher closer to the date and you will be able to choose a time to meet that best works for you. Please keep in mind that the time might change depending on the high demand.

This is a great time to connect with your child's teacher.

Red Cross Babysitting Course

On Friday October 21, NRP will be playing host to the Red Cross Babysitting course. This is a great opportunity for your child to get certified to babysit. If they do, we would be happy to have them

sign up to help during one of our PAC meetings. Great way to get experience and earn a little pocket money.

The course is offered for kids in Grade 6+

Cost is: \$60+GST

To register, go to: <http://www.firstaidhero.com/babysitting.html>

Parent Education Night

PAC is proud to announce that we will be hosting 4 Parent Education Nights throughout the school year.

The first one is by Jessie Miller on the topic of Living in a Digital Age.

When? November 1st. Starting right after our abbreviated PAC meeting (which will be 30 minutes in order to accommodate Jessie and allow for the evening not to run too long.

Jessie will also be speaking to students at NRP and we think having him speak to parents is a great opportunity

Babysitting is available for this evening.

PAC Monthly Socials

Whether you're looking for a quiet moment, information about PAC activities, or an opportunity to connect with other parents, come check out what's going on **Friday mornings in the Learning Commons!**

NEW! Family Reading Time in the Learning Commons

When: Every Friday morning, 8:15 - 8:55 AM, starting October 7, 2016

Here is a special opportunity for parents and students to enjoy reading together in the Learning Commons before the school day begins. Thank you to the Learning Commons staff for opening up the space to families!

NEW! PAC Morning Tea

When: 1st Friday morning of each month, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, starting October 7, 2016

Where: NRPS Learning Commons

Please join us for an informal social gathering on the first Friday of every month! Enjoy getting to know the faces in our parent community while sipping tea (or coffee!). We will also feature a Q&A table on a different PAC activity each month. Coming up on October 7: Q&A on our Hot Lunch Program! Parents will have a chance to ask questions or provide feedback on the Hot Lunch Program with Lunch Committee parent volunteers.

Back this year! NRPS Parent Conversation Group

When: 2nd and 4th Friday morning of each month, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, starting October 14, 2016

Where: NRPS Learning Commons

Would you like to practice English conversation with other Norma Rose Point parents? Our parent-focused English conversation group will discuss topics related to education and parenting. Both English Language Learner (ELL) parents and parents fluent in English are welcome to drop-in! If interested in receiving updates on discussion topics, please email Julie Wang at juliemwang@yahoo.com.

Ms. Tamara Looking for an Accompanist:

Ms. Tamara, one of our amazing K5 Music Teachers is looking for a parent with piano experience who would be willing to sit and, either record music, or come in person to help play. As she gets the kids ready for the Winter concert she finds it helpful to have a piano accompany her. If you are able, please email Jody at rosepointpac@gmail.com. I will pass along your contact information to her and she will get in touch with you.