



NORMA ROSE POINT PAC NEWSLETTER

PAC Chair Message

What an amazing start to the new school year! The new and returning staff are settling in, the office is buzzing with activity, and the kids are reconnecting with old friends and making new ones as well.

I have been so amazed at the amazing number of parents asking to get involved with anything they can. There is such a great feeling to the school.

I am so grateful to have had a front row seat these past 4 years to watch the school grow and to have volunteered my time. It is time for a change so I am happily passing the PAC Chair torch on as of October 3rd. There are a lot of great parents already putting their name forward to be nominated for a PAC Executive position but we still really need someone to be co-chair. While I know the new PAC Chair will do an absolutely amazing job, it would be great to have.....



Important Dates:

Oct. 3: PAC AGM (Annual General Meeting) 6:30-7:30pm

Oct. 9: Thanksgiving (No School)

Oct. 16: Staff Appreciation Pot-luck put on by parents

Oct. 20: ProD Day (No School)

Oct. 25: Parent/Teacher Conference - Early Dismissal 2pm

Oct. 26: Parent/Teacher Conference - Early Dismissal 2pm

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

Nov. 10: ProD Day (No School)

Nov. 13: No School (in lieu of Remembrance Day)

FULL SCHOOL AND PAC CALENDAR CAN BE
FOUND ON THE PAC WEBSITE

<https://nrppac.wordpress.com>

Extra support. Please consider nominating yourself. I promise you that while it can be work, it is also fun to be involved...that is why I did it for 4 year!

So, thank you to all of you who help the school with volunteering or moral support. Here is to a great 2017/18 school year!

Jody



Connect With Us:

Website: <https://nrppac.wordpress.com>

Email: rosepointpac@gmail.com

Lunch Questions?:
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Safe Arrival Program:

Starting from this year, the District implements a “Safe Arrival Program” to ensure the safe arrival of students at school on a daily basis. Parents are asked to report your child’s absence or late arrival to school by using one of the two ways below:

- 1, Phone the school at 604.713-5950 before 9:00am. Press 1 to Report an Absence. Include the following information and speak clearly: Child’s first and last name, division number or teacher, how long they will be away, or if late - when they will arrive.
- 2, On the NRPS App, go to Absence and complete the form. Remember to press “submit”.

If your child arrives late, please remind him or her to report to the office to sign in.
If you don’t report the absence, you will receive a phone call from the school.

Orange Shirt Day - Sept. 29

September 30th has been declared Orange Shirt Day annually, in recognition of the harm the residential school system did to children’s sense of self-esteem and wellbeing and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC in May 2013. It grew out of Phyllis Webstad’s story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.



Here is a link for more info: <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/what-is-orange-shirt-day>

Please join us to wear **Orange** on September 29th, as the 30th falls on a Saturday.



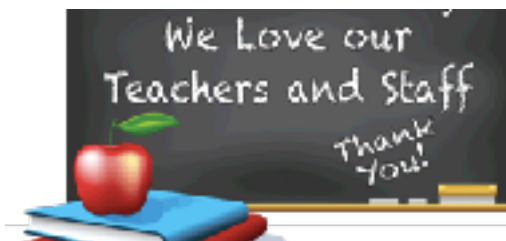
PAC AGM

PAC AGM will take place on October 3 @ 6:30pm in the NRP Library. This is when the new PAC Executives will be voted in. If you would like to volunteer your time, please feel free to sign up. Please find the list of positions on our website: <https://nrppac.wordpress.com>. If you are interested in a position that has a name already, do not let that stop you....add your name! At the moment, we still in need of PAC Co-Chairs.

Staff Appreciation Lunch

With a lot of new teachers and staffs join in our school, we decided to move the first staff appreciation lunch to Monday, October 16. This is a great way to show our appreciation to all the staffs in school. You can choose one of the following to get involved:

- 1, If you're bringing a fresh dish of your choice to the school on **Oct. 16**, please sign up online <http://www.perfectpotluck.com/meals.php?t=RBNB7351&welcome=1> and drop off the food in Multicultural Room before 11:30am. One of our Social Events Committee Volunteers will be assisting you.
- 2, If you are unable to come on the day, but still willing to contribute, you can bring in the beverages and we will store them at school until the event.
- 3, You can also come on the day to help with the decoration.





Direct Appeal

Thank you for those who has made a contribution to the direct appeal so far. If you haven't done so, and is financially able to, there are four ways to donate:

1. **PayPal:** If you have a PayPal account, please click here: [PayPal link](#). Please submit the bottom portion of the direct appeal form with all your demographics for tax receipt (PRINT CLEARLY PLEASE)
2. Through the **"Donation" button on MunchaLunch**
Please submit the bottom portion of the direct appeal form with all you demographics for tax receipt
3. **By Cheque:** Please make cheque payable to Norma Rose Point PAC, place it in a sealed envelope with the bottom portion of the direct appeal (containing your address etc for the tax receipt).
4. **By cash:** Please seal cash in envelope with the bottom portion of the form containing your demographics. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH WITH YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.

Direct Appeal Deadline - October 19th, 2017



PAC Communication:

PAC has two ways to keep parents informed throughout the school year...email and website.

Website: <https://nrppac.wordpress.com>

PAC Email: rosepointpac@gmail.com

With so many parents and so many students, our PAC works very hard at communication. We are really trying to make things easy this year. The main tools we will use are the PAC email and the "NEW" PAC Website. We are requesting that all parents go to the website and "follow" us. Once you do you will receive an email notification every time we post. You will also then be added to the PAC email list. Why? The most

basic reason would be in case of an emergency. If something unforeseen happens then the school will post out on the NRP App. The PAC Chair will then forward the information onto our website. You will receive a notification via your email. If possible the PAC Chair will forward the information by email but access to all the contacts may not be possible.



Parent/Teacher Conference:

Also called Goal Setting Conference, where parents get to sit with your child and the teacher to discuss goals for the upcoming term. This term, the conferences will take place on Oct. 25 and Oct. 26. Please remember to pick up your child at 2:00pm on both days. You will get a note from the teacher in advance to choose a couple of time slots that suit your schedule. Later, the teacher will confirm the conference time with you.



Parking:

At NRP, there are two accessible parking spots in the visitor parking lot, they are specifically for those with permits to use. Unless you have a government issued sticker, please do not take the spots or block the access path to the parking spots. Even it is just for a few minutes, it is still illegal and will cause a lot of hassles to the ones who really need it.



Lunch Survey:

By the End of October, PAC Lunch Committee will have a lunch survey for all NRP students, the purpose is to collect feedbacks of the Lunch Program.



All About School

Supervision Aides - NRP has five supervision aides to ensure safety and security of students while they are at play on school playgrounds. They are paid part-time employees hired by VSB. Three of them are assigned to supervise the primary side, and two are in charge of the middle school side during morning recess and lunch time.

Kindergarteners are asked to wear a pinning vest (red, yellow and blue) while they are out playing on the playground, so they are easily spotted by other students and adults.

If a child is injured, he/she should report to the supervision aides and 1-2 friends will escort him/her into the office. If the injury is severe enough, the supervision aides will radio into the office, and parents will be contacted.

Hours of Operation and Daily Schedule can be found at:

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/normarosepoint/About/Pages/Hours-of-Operation.aspx>