



WALTON PAC NEWSLETTER



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IT'S RAINING, IT'S POURING, THE PAC IS BARBECUING



We had our Welcome Back to School BBQ on September 20th, just before the school opened up its doors for Open House evening. The weather was...well... wet, to say the least. This was not a setback because our crew of committed parent volunteers and our supportive sponsors, Kal Tire (Runnel Drive location) and the Chan-Hamdillah Family pulled through for us. On top of the downpour of rain, one of the grills broke down during the event. However, we were saved by Ben and Emily Peterson who had their daddy roll out their family BBQ from their backyard to the school so that our wet, hungry but patient and forgiving families in the lineup could get their food.

So proud to be part of such a fabulous school community. Thank you all for coming out to this event despite the rain!



Walton PAC e-mail address: waltonpac@gmail.com

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School Website: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/walton/Pages/default.aspx>

Walton PAC Twitter Account: <https://twitter.com/waltonSD43PAC>

Walton PAC Facebook Account: <https://www.facebook.com/waltonSD43PAC>

HOT LUNCH

Thank you Walton Community for a successful first PAC Hot Lunch Fundraiser of the school year! The Walton PAC Hot Lunch Committee is thrilled to share that we raised over \$700 from your October hot lunch pizza orders!

100% of the monies raised from PAC Hot Lunch goes towards the school and directly benefits Walton students by funding items such as class field trip transportation, classroom technology upgrades, sports equipment upgrades, special performances, etc.

Special thanks to all the parent volunteers who prep and deliver the hot lunch to each classroom as we cannot have done this without your time and efforts.

Thank you everyone for your support!

Interested in volunteering on the day of the Hot Lunch? Come

meet other PAC volunteer parents and help organize the lunches and distribute them to the classrooms. If you are able to help out at an upcoming hot lunch or have any questions, please contact us at waltonpachotlunch@gmail.com.

Our next Hot Lunch date is Wednesday November 14th for Foodie Kids Hot Entree Day - last day to order is November 5th. Get your order in today at <https://walton.hotlunches.net/admin/>.

To get Hot Lunch updates and reminders, catch us in the Monday Mouthful and please follow your Parent Advisory Council (PAC) on Facebook and Twitter.

PAC Hot Lunch Committee



PARENT EDUCATION

On October 11th, 2018, we held an inaugural parent education workshop in the school library, and provided childcare for parents who attended the workshop.

The topic was the Dolphin Parenting information that is presented by an organization set up by Dr. Shimi Kang - an Associate Professor and author at UBC. The speaker - Quinn Cashion - provided a thoughtful presentation about the Dolphin Parenting material.

How do we respond, as parents, when our children are upset? When is the best time to communicate with your children? What is the difference between being an

authoritarian, authoritative and permissive parent?

These are some of the topics that were discussed during the 90 minute workshop.

At the beginning of the workshop, parents were asked about the questions they have and the issues that concern them. Pamela Chan, the Parent Education Coordinator, encouraged the parents to read Dr. Kang's book - a copy of which can be found in the local library or bookstore. It is written in an accessible way and is full of interesting case studies from Dr. Kang's clinical experience.

Thanks go out to parents who responded to a request for feedback following the event. This information will help us to plan the next workshop in the future.

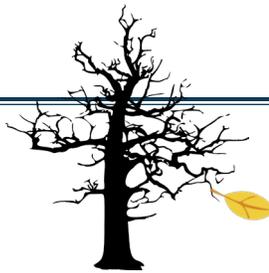
If you have a specific topic of interest for a future parent education night, please contact: waltonparented@gmail.com.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

After school activities are well under way for the the fall term. We welcomed back several of our usual providers like Guitar, Toastminors, Science Alive and Art and Active Play. Feedback has always been positive with them. We also found a few exciting new programs like Young Performers (Drama), Cooking with Stefanie, and Unity One break dance and hip hop.

We will be planning for the Winter term soon so if you have any suggestions for programs that you'd like to see, please let us know as soon as possible by email. Also starting January, there will be programs open for Kindergartners to register too.



KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR THE PROGRAMS AT THE END OF NOVEMBER. REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN IN THE THIRD WEEK OF DECEMBER.

Walton after school activities are 100% organized by PAC parent volunteers. BIG thank you to the volunteers for making Afterschool Activities happen! Also BIG thank you to the teachers who lend their classrooms for our use.

If you have any questions about the programs or have any suggestions, please direct them to us at waltonactivities@gmail.com.

HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT WAS A SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and attended Walton Elementary's Movie Night on Oct 26, 2018. We raised \$1,591.50! Our highest grossing Movie Night to date! The success of this PAC Fundraiser allows us to invest in our school and children's education, we could not have done this without your participation!

Our Movie Nights can only happen when parents volunteer, please join the next fun-filled event!

Upcoming Movie Nights:

March 1, 2019 and May 31, 2019



FOLLOW OUR PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)!

Have you checked out our PAC Twitter and Facebook pages? It's a convenient way to keep up with all of our activities & events. Our Facebook page has great photo albums of our past events for you to browse! Don't have Twitter or Facebook? That's OK! Just click on these links every time you want to see our latest posts.

 <https://www.facebook.com/waltonSD43PAC>

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NEXT PAC MEETING:

Please join us November 27,2018 at 6:45 pm at the Library (Childcare is Available).



COBS BREAD

5% of each purchase made at the Sunwood and SuterBrook Cob's locations will be donated to the PAC. Simply mention that you are from "Walton Elementary School" when you make your purchase.

RETURN IT DEPOT



Take your bottles to the Return It Depot located at 2554 Barnet Highway.

When you go in tell them to put the refund towards the Walton PAC account or account# 293.

MABELS LABELS



Stop losing your stuff or at least find it again!

With each order placed online through Walton PAC website, Mabel's label will generously donate 20% back to our school.

FAMILY PHOTO NIGHT

Family Photo Night is a popular PAC fundraiser that gives families an opportunity to have portraits taken by a professional photographer at the school (in the Library). This is a great way to support the PAC and school, as 100% of the fees are given back to the PAC and school.

Please, see <http://www.waltonpac.ca/family-photo-night-simple-2018.html> for details.