



WALTON PAC NEWSLETTER



JANUARY 2020

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Before we leave behind 2019, this newsletter provides a good opportunity to reflect on the great work the PAC has been doing in the Walton School Community to date, and to talk about opportunities upcoming.

First, I want to acknowledge all of the PAC volunteers who have given time this school year to our various efforts, including Hot Lunch, Afterschool Activities, Movie Night, Entertainment Book Sales, Family Photo Night, Christmas concert raffles, holiday bake sale and more! There are some very dedicated people behind all of these efforts which would not be possible without them! If you have participated in any of these activities and are wondering how you can get involved or give back, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or via our website.

Next, I need to acknowledge and thank our partners in all of these efforts, the school and staff. In particular, I want to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Craig Mah, who has been the principal at Walton for the past six years. His support of the PAC and the Walton School Community has been incredibly valuable and will be missed. I know I speak for all of the Walton School Community in wishing Mr. Mah well in his next and future endeavors!

Finally, though it is only January and there is still nearly half a school year left, our PAC is in a state of transition with several long time volunteers and office holders moving on this year after their children leave for middle school. While there will be opportunities to recognize and thank those individuals later, I would be remiss if I didn't look ahead and start a conversation around the need for PAC positions to be filled for the 2020-2021 school year. Some of these will include President, Social Media / Communications, Movie Night Coordinator, Afterschool Activities, and a Large Event Coordinator. The latter is currently open and available to be filled, and is a great opportunity for someone with a big idea to step forward. While the PAC does not have a major event planned for the remainder of the 2019-2020 year, such an event will need to be part of the fundraising efforts for next year, and planning likely should start this spring if not sooner. Please consider any of these positions and how you may be able to contribute to the Walton School Community to help shape a rewarding experience for your children.

All the best in 2020,

Michael Fox

Walton PAC President



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

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



HEALTH & SAFETY

Did you know the Walton PAC maintain an inventory of supplies to help ensure that in case of a significant emergency, our children would have food, water and supplies sufficient for 72 hours? This is the minimum amount of time recommended by the provincial government that all citizens and families should prepare themselves for in situations like major Earthquakes. As for the children, if for whatever reason parents or authorized individuals aren't able to pick up the children right away following the emergency, this would

ensure they have proper shelter, sustenance and hydration until someone is able to get them.

To do this, PAC volunteers ensure not only sufficient quantities are kept on hand, but that the food and water are changed out regularly upon expiry. In order to ensure there is sufficient supply always on hand, the PAC asks each family to contribute once per child during their time at Walton (typically in Kindergarten). A one-time contribution of \$20 per child ensures that you can have peace of mind in an emergency at any time between Kindergarten and Grade 5 that they will have

what they need. A notice was distributed by the school earlier this fall to collect the funds, we have only received contributions from 19 students' families out of a possible 100+. If you missed it, no problem, you can still contribute by submitting a cheque payable to "Walton Elementary PAC" in amount of \$20 with "emergency prep" on the memo line, ideally with your child's name and division attached. Cheques can be deposited in the PAC mailbox which is immediately adjacent to the front office.

Thank you for your support!

WINTER CONCERT AND BAKE SALE EVENT

We would like to recognize all volunteers for the bake sale and raffle ticket sales - we could not have done it without you!!!



THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS:

Noelle Chow, Annie Lam, Justina Mark, Lisa Moody, Carrie Tang, Charlene Chan, Robyn Woo, Monica Jay, Lynn Truong, Jessica Chen-Sargent, Marie-Pier Caron, Natalia Kurembina, Vincci Mytkowicz, Tiffany Duff, Ted Hsue, Mike Fox and Victoria H.!

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Janet Mou, Timir Patel and Julie Sanchez for help spreading the word about our Fundraising events through the Monday Mouthful, Twitter/Facebook and the Classroom Liaisons!

Super huge thanks to all the bakers who donated their wonderful baked goodies for our bake sale!!!

Huge thanks to the Walton Community for your generous support of the Winter Concert bake sale and raffle!!!

Raising funds for Walton enables us to support initiatives and activities for our students - THANK YOU WALTON COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEERS for helping us achieve our fundraising goals!

Walton PAC Fundraising Committee



ENTERTAINMENT BOOK SALES FUNDRAISING EVENT

Our PAC Fundraising Committee began early this year in June for a Pre-Sales event to kick start the 2020 Entertainment Book campaign!

Back to school in September and our two week campaign began on September the 18th and ended on October 4th surpassing our goal of 250 books to selling 371 books raising over \$4,250.00 for the PAC! THANK YOU Walton Community for your generosity and support! Thank you Entertainment Book Fundraising volunteers Noelle Chow, Kathy Liu, CanCan Yu and Justina Mark!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS PRIZE WINNERS!

Winner of FULL PRIZE PACKAGE - Jaxon F., Gr. 4

Winner of Principal for the Day & Lunch with Mr. Mah (with a friend) - Jian P., Gr. 5

Winner of pair of Canucks Tickets - Anika W., Gr. 4

Winner of a Family Pass to Urban Safari Rescue Society - Kate P., Gr. 2



TOP SELLING CLASSES FOR URBAN SAFARI RESCUE SOCIETY SCHOOL PRESENTATION -

a) **Mrs. Johnston/Tong - Div. 1 Grade**

b) **Ms. Shum - Div. 12 Grade 3**



WALTON PAC AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

On Monday, January 13th, the winter session of the After School Programmes will start at Walton Elementary. In the winter session, 7 programmes will be offered. Active Movers, Cooking With Stephanie and Fiona's Kids Art Club will be offered on Monday. Micro:bit and Clay Workshop will be offered on Wednesday, Badminton will be offered on Thursday and Hapkido will be offered on Friday. This programme selection includes opportunities for Kindergarten students.

The enrollment for the programmes began on Saturday, December 21st. As of Thursday, January 2nd, five programmes are full and two programmes have available spaces (Micro:bit and Clay Workshop).

Thank you to the PAC members, teachers and school administrators for their assistance as we prepare to launch the winter session. And a special thank you to Walton parents for their continued support of the After Schools Programme.

Please check out our website <http://www.waltonpac.ca/after-school-activities.html> for more



FAMILY PHOTO NIGHT FUNDRAISING EVENT

On November 19th & 20th, Walton families had an opportunity to get professional portraits taken with Butter Studios! The two day event raised over \$1650.00!

Thank you to the Walton Community for supporting the event!

Thank you Ava, Ronaleen, Megan Risk and Natalia Kurembina for volunteering their time for this event!



A FUN-FILLED HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and attended Walton Elementary's Halloween Movie Night on Oct 18, 2019. We made \$739. 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 6, 2020 AND MAY 29, 2020



VEGAN WINTER LENTIL STEW

INGREDIENTS

2 Tbsp olive oil, 1 yellow onion, 4 cloves garlic, 4 carrots, 4 stalks celery, 2 lbs potatoes, 1 cup brown lentils, 1 tsp dried rosemary, 1/2 tsp dried thyme, 2 Tbsp Dijon mustard, 1.5 Tbsp soy sauce, 1 Tbsp brown sugar, 6 cups vegetable broth, 1 cup frozen peas



Prep Time: 10 mins
Cook Time: 50 mins
Total Time: 1 hr

Dice the vegetables and mince the garlic. Add the olive oil, onion, and garlic to a large soup pot and begin to sauté over medium heat. Add celery and carrots to the pot and continue to sauté. Add potatoes along with the lentils, rosemary, thyme, Dijon, soy sauce, brown sugar, and vegetable broth. Briefly stir the ingredients to combine, then place a lid on the pot. Bring the stew up to a boil. Turn the heat down to low and let it simmer for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in the frozen peas and allow them to heat through. Add salt if needed. Serve hot and enjoy!

Source: <https://www.budgetbytes.com/vegan-winter-lentil-stew/>

NEXT PAC MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

6:45PM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:45PM

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Our school receives 5% of your purchase back from COBS Bread Sunwood Square and Suter Brook Village. Simply mention Walton Elementary at checkout.

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Unit 250, 3025 Lougheed Hwy,
Coquitlam, BC
604 472 1144

Suter Brook
Unit 340, 154 Brew St,
Port Moody, BC
604 461 2716

MABELS LABELS

Please remember to select Walton Elementary as your Fundraising School at checkout so that 20% of your sales purchase will be donated back to our school!

PAC HOT LUNCH

This is a popular event with the kids! Our next Hot Lunch of the school year is coming up on Tuesday Feb. 4th! More details to come.

Please visit: www.walton.hotlunches.net/admin to order.

