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Walton PAC Newsletter



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Walton PAC Annual Winter Bake Sale

Please join us for our Annual Winter Bake Sale following the two Christmas Concerts on Thursday December 17th. There will be a delicious selection of homemade goodies to purchase and enjoy. All proceeds will help fund the Walton Library for purchasing much needed books and for building hampers for families in need in our school community.

When: Thursday December 17, 2015 following each performance
(9:15am & 1:00pm)

Where: Inside the Walton Library, across from the gym

If you are able to contribute baked goods, homemade jams or jellies to the Bake Sale, please drop off your creations before or after school on Wednesday December 16th or between 8:30 – 9:00am on Thursday December 17th. We will have a receiving table by the office.

Please pre-portion and package your baked goods ready for sale. Keep portion sizes small (for example, no more than six muffins or cookies in one package) so that customers can purchase a variety of goods. Attractive packaging adds appeal but please remember to keep your baking visible. Holiday themed Ziploc bags looks nice but they tend to hide what's inside. Also, please remember to identify your baked goods (for example, Chocolate Cranberry Brownies or Lemon Poppy Seed Scones) and indicate whether or not your item contains nuts.

The Bake Sale will not be a success without the assistance of parent volunteers. Volunteers will be needed to set-up the sale and price the goods the night before and morning of, to sell the baked goods after each of the two concerts, and to help with clean up and take down after school on Thursday. Please see the volunteer sign up on the Walton PAC website at www.waltonpac.ca or email waltonpacfundraising@gmail.com if you are able to help.



Read-a-thon for the School Library

In January 2016, every class will participate in the read-a-thon to raise \$12,000 for the library.

Keep your eyes peeled for more news to come soon and for some good books to read!

We're currently looking for matching sponsors that are willing to donate a dollar for every dollar fundraised (to a maximum of at least \$500). Contact waltonpacfundraising@gmail.com for more information or visit <http://bit.ly/1P56FVk>



Fundraising Updates

We held our second annual Family Photo Night Fundraiser. We raised \$760! Thanks to everyone that participated!

We held a second popcorn sale after school and it was another successful event as we raised \$200.



Our first movie night of the year was a Minion success! We also collected donations for the local foodbank!



Can You Donate any Gardening Tools?

The Gardening Program is in need of some tools for the students' to use in cultivating the garden that will be planted this spring.

If you have any of the following in good working order that you would be willing to donate, please drop them off at the school office.

- class set of hand trowels
- class set of hand forks (cultivators)
- good quality rubber non kinking hose that runs the length from spigot to garden
- sturdy hose reel to store and hose - lee valley
- watering wand
- watering cans
- 1 hard rake
- 1 soft rake
- 2 shovels



Upcoming DPAC Events

The District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) hosts free events open to all parents of children enrolled in school district 43. Please consider attending the following events:





District Parent Advisory Council

The next General DPAC meeting is Wednesday January 27th at 7:00pm in the Gallery Room at Winslow Centre. School Counselor Harriet Chang will be speaking of her Real Acts of Caring (RAC) project at Maple Creek Middle School and how it ties in to anti bullying.

After School Activities Starting in January

Registration will open Sunday, December 13th at 8:00am for the following afterschool activities starting in January. Please visit <http://www.waltonpac.ca/after-school-activities.html> for more information and please note that we have a new registration system for our After School Activities.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mandarin Tutoring Grades 3-5 Jan 11 – March 7	Dance Sampler Grades K-3 Jan 12 – March 8	Mandarin Tutoring Grade 2 Jan 13 – March 2	Mandarin Tutoring Grades K-1 Jan 14 – March 3	Lasermaster Grades 1-7 Jan 8 – March 11
R&B Yoga Grades K-5 Jan 11 – March 7		Top Secret Spy Club Grades K-5 Jan 6 – March 2	Babysitting Training Grade 5 Jan 7 – Feb 25	Badminton Grade 1-5 Jan 8 – March 4
Martial Arts Ages 6 – 10 Jan 11 – March 7		Run Club Grades K-5 Sept - June	Cartoon and Comics Grades 1-5 Jan 14 – March 3	

PAC Meetings for 2015/2016 school year will be held at 6:45pm on:

Monday January 11th
 Monday February 22nd
 Monday April 11th
 Monday May 16th (our Annual General Meeting)
 Monday June 13th

Please contact us at waltonpac@gmail.com if you require child-minding (for potty-trained children over the age of three) during the meeting.

Minutes from each PAC meeting will be e-mailed to all parents.

