CTOBER 2011 - NEWSLETTER

False Creek Elementary PAC

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A very well attended first PAC meeting of the year took place on Monday, September 26. It was great to see many familiar and new faces. Thanks to all who attended and helped us form our new PAC Executive and Committees for 2011-2012.

PAC Executive and Committees 2011-2012

Chair: Larissa Warrington
Vice-Chair: Moyra Rodger

Treasurer: Susan (Efting) Knight **Secretary** Lesley McKnight

Sports and Recreation Committee: Wendy Teufele

Social Committee: Erin Cathcart
Arts and Culture Committee: Gail Taylor
Fundraising Committee: PAC Executive

Thanks to all parents who joined us, especially those who attended their first (of many we hope!)

PAC meeting and to those parents who are new to the school. Thanks also to our departing Chair –

George Affleck - for his volunteered time and energy.

If you were unable to attend the meeting but were hoping to find out more about PAC and how to get involved, please contact Larissa Warrington, Chair, at **604-731-4243** or **falscreekpac@gmail.com** or visit our website at **www.falsecreekpac.ca**.

PAC MEETING! Monday, October 24 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

All parents and guardians are encouraged to join us in the library. Agenda includes budget and program planning. Childcare is provided by grade 7 students in the gym.

Why should you support our Direct Donation Campaign?

Simply put, the alternatives to donating directly to the school include purchasing (and having students sell) a variety of products for which the school only receives a percentage of earnings and increased requests for parent volunteers to support fundraising efforts.

The Direct Donation Fundraising Campaign is our PAC's most substantial fundraising effort. It ensures that 100% of the money donated goes directly to fund school activities not paid for by the School District or Province.

To maintain our current level of PAC support for school activities, we require approximately \$10,000 annually. Last year we raised just over \$6,000, meaning that we were required to raise additional funds through other efforts just to meet our basic level of PAC support.

Our goal this year is to raise \$8,000 and we need your help! While we ask that you consider a donation of \$50, any amount you are able to contribute is greatly appreciated. Donations of \$10 or more are eligible for tax receipts.

Forms are located on the PAC bulletin board located at the main entrance to the school, the office, and online at www.falsecreekpac.ca.

A big thank you to all who have already contributed!

PAC WEBSITE: www.falsecreekpac.ca

A SECOND Family Photo Night!

Due to a great demand, we are offering a second Family Photo Night on **Monday**, **October 17 from 4:00 – 8:00 pm**.

Our school photographers, Lifetouch, conduct 15 minute sessions per family at our school. Participating families will receive one complimentary colour 8x10 photo and a selection of poses. Additionally, the session fee of \$15 per family will be donated to our school.

Sessions will be filled on a first-come basis, so get your order form in as soon as possible! Forms are available in the entrance to the school on the PAC bulletin board, in the office and at www.falsecreekpac.ca.

Cross Country Running Team

Congratulations to our Cross Country Running Team! Our athletes are improving their speed and endurance and are consistently demonstrating great sportsmanship.

There are two mini-meets at Douglas Park remaining on Thursday, October 6 and Thursday, October 13 from 3:30-4:30pm. The final meet takes place at Trout Lake on Thursday, October 20 from 12:15 – 3:00 pm. If your child(ren) have joined the team, please complete the online carpool form distributed for each meet – it makes the task of assigning rides for students much smoother!

A big thanks to our teacher coaches – Ms. Cotter, Mr. Proctor and Ms Wallace and parent volunteers for organizing the carpool and bringing clean jerseys to our meets.



Entertainment Books

Each student has received an Entertainment Book Values package to take home. If you wish to purchase this book, please keep it and return payment to your child's teacher or the office. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PURCHASE THE BOOK, PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL ASAP DUE BY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19.

If you require additional books to purchase or the expanded Entertainment Book for \$46, please let your child's teacher know and they will provide these to you.

Terry Fox Run Pledges

Under sunny skies on Wednesday, September 28, our students paid tribute to a Canadian hero by participating in the annual Terry Fox Run – National School Run Day. We are still collecting pledges, so please send yours in with your child or complete your pledge online at www.terryfox.org.

Last year our students raised more than \$1,000 and we hope to raise even more this year to help support the Terry Fox Foundation and cancer research.

JOIN THE FUN AND GET INVOLVED!

Throughout the year, the False Creek PAC requires volunteers for various activities and events. Volunteering is a great way to get to meet the students, parents/guardians and staff of our great school. Please provide us with your contact information and we will be happy to add you to our volunteer list.

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E-MAIL:	
I am not able to volunteer but I would like to receive PAC/School news via email	