

# 2021-2022 PAC MEETING - February, Tuesday 15th 6:30

All Parents & Guardians can register for our ZOOM meeting by clicking: <a href="http://falsecreekpac.ca"><u>HERE</u></a>
Past minutes are available on the PAC's webpage: <a href="http://falsecreekpac.ca">http://falsecreekpac.ca</a>
Contact the PAC by email: <a href="mailto:falsecreekpac@gmail.com">falsecreekpac@gmail.com</a>

The PAC needs to recruit new executive members for next year. MANY of our current executives have Grade 7s now. We need more parents to step up and get involved this year!

#### **SCHOOL TABLET FUNDRAISING DRIVE!!!**

#### The school has asked for your help!

The VSB has been removing old tablets from schools for good reason:

- Older devices can become security risks
- Older devices can slow wifi for everyone
- etc...

Unfortunately, when they take old devices away, they don't always replace them.



False Creek is currently sharing 14 newish iPads, and 5-7 old iPad Minis (but their batteries are failing, and 16GB of storage doesn't store much), that isn't usually enough for a single class to use.

Ms Lee (our new Teacher Librarian) and Mr Watt (Division 3 Teacher) came to the last PAC meeting to ask the PAC to buy 10 new iPads. The new iPads each have 64GB of storage.

The ask is about \$4100. While the PAC can look for money from other sources, in these challenging times, it is ONLY **direct donations** that will make this possible.

If families donate about \$20 per child (we know not all families can), we can do this. \$20 per child is a lot, but it is a lot less than schools that just ask parents to send their kids to school with \$400 tablets!

For families who can, please consider donating more for families who can't.

#### THREE WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR DONATION:

- 1. ONLINE in PayPal at Online PAC Direct Donation Campaign (NO tax receipt issued)
- 2. ONLINE to "E-False Creek PAC" via your School Cash Online Account (A tax receipt WILL be issued)
- 3. You can submit your cash/cheque donation with this form: PAC Cash/Cheque Donation Form (NO tax receipt issued)

### **SALEEMA NOON PRESENTATIONS & SURVEY**



At the last PAC general meeting, the PAC voted to schedule Saleema Noon's organisation to give Body Science workshops at False Creek Elementary (more information can be seen here).

We have heard nothing but positive feedback from parents from other Vancouver schools (many schools run these workshops periodically). Their Body Science program is age appropriate content intended to extend and supplement the BC school curriculum.

The proposal was to do TWO days of in-school presentations (allowing as many classes to participate as possible), and ONE **Zoom presentation for parents**. The parent presentation will help inform parents about the content of the in-school presentations.

To confirm numbers, we would ask parents to please fill in this survey if they would like to attend the Parents Zoom sesion here: <a href="https://forms.gle/HKKegE7gDi8iwwgY6">https://forms.gle/HKKegE7gDi8iwwgY6</a>

#### **PAC LUNCH PROGRAM**

The PAC Lunch program has restarted as of January 19th (orders can be made up to February 23rd). We may still move to twice a week later in the year.

To order and for more details: go to <a href="http://cestmoncafe.com">http://cestmoncafe.com</a> and choose "False Creek".

Please review the FAQ (http://cestmoncafe.com/3/page9.html) and order information on the website before ordering.

The **order cut-off is 6:00 PM** the night prior to the lunch day. C'est Mon Cafe **no longer offers a mechanism for cancelling orders** so if your situation changes, you'll need to call them. They do seem to be delaying charging due to the ongoing risk of school closures.

All food is nut-free, but please contact C'est Mon Cafe for all allergy concerns.

**Please send some cutlery to school with your child**; C'est Mon Cafe doesn't provide any cutlery with the lunch.

The PAC will help families who have difficulty paying for lunches. Please contact our Principal (<a href="mailto:mdonovan@vsb.bc.ca">mdonovan@vsb.bc.ca</a>).

If you have not received your email reminder for the day's meal by 7:00 am, first check your junk/spam folder, then call 778-244-8498 and press "1" before 9:00 AM to ensure your child's lunch gets delivered today.

For all other inquiries, call 778-244-8498 and press "0" between 1:00 pm and 7:00 PM, or email <a href="mailto:cestmoncafe@gmail.com">cestmoncafe@gmail.com</a>.

## PAC TUESDAY 6:30-8:15 MEETING SCHEDULE



February 15th
March (no meeting)
April 5th

May 17th June 14th

#### CHILDREN 5-11 VACCINATION INFORMATION

For anyone out there who **hasn't** been vaccinated, **especially children 5-11**, please consider: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/children">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/children</a>

...and register: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/children#register">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/children#register</a>

## PAC INCLUSIVITY COMMITTEE

We thank our Inclusivity Committee for helping False Creek Elementary acknowledge Black Excellence Day, and delivering the "Colours of the World" Crayolas to the classrooms.

Inclusivity is never just a single day event, so our PAC Inclusivity Committee will continue to engage with our school and community to see how we can better support the students and staff at False Creek Elementary in the promotion of diversity to enrich classroom learning.



## **VANCOUVER DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC) EVENTS**

The Vancouver District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) is a collection of parents/guardians interacting directly with the Vancouver School Board with the common goal of supporting education for all the children of Vancouver. Find out more here.

All parents of VSB students are welcome to attend DPAC meetings.

#### **DPAC EVENTS:**

- Thursday, January 27, 7pm - January DPAC General Meeting

### **FALSE CREEK SPIRIT WEAR**

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Spirit Wear is a great way to show school spirit. Both **navy blue**, **95% spun cotton T-SHIRTS** and **heather grey**, **super soft cotton/poly HOODIES** can be ordered.

Visit your <u>School Cash Online</u> account to place your order. Order will be distributed to your child's classroom.



For size options, please visit: <a href="https://falsecreekpac.ca/spirit-wear/false-creek-spirit-wear-gar-spirit-wear-

# **OUT OF SCHOOL CARE PROVIDER LIST**

There is now a website that brings together all licensed Before/After School Care providers for each of the elementary schools in Vancouver. It has their contact information, number of licensed spaces and, most importantly, the estimated wait times for each program: <a href="https://outofschoolcarebc.com/osc-providers/">https://outofschoolcarebc.com/osc-providers/</a>