

November PAC Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our October's Family Coffee event was a big success. Lots of Rockridge families gathered for a morning chat over coffee and light breakfast treats.

Outdoor Classroom Update

The idea of building an outdoor classroom began back in 2019 when teacher Dave Henning approached former principal Judy Duncan with the idea. Judy presented the idea to the PAC and we agreed to fundraise to build it. Our initial investment of \$20,000 was spent on architectural drawings, geotechnical engineering and engineer fees. The project was put forth to the school district and was well supported. Last year the PAC raised \$70,000 from Rockridge families to build the structure. Unfortunately the building design did not meet the new fire code regulations with the district of West Vancouver and had to be modified to meet the code. During this time our architect stepped away from the project and Judy Duncan retired. We have now engaged another architect to help move the project along and take us through permitting with the District. Although there have been several setbacks, curveballs and delays we continue to hold the course. We are currently awaiting a new estimate on costs of the revised structure which is more metal and less wood. We will continue to update our Rockridge Families and we appreciate your continued support.

Next PAC Meeting on Wednesday, November 17th at 4.30.

This upcoming PAC meeting will be held both <u>in person</u> at Rockridge Library and via zoom simultaneously. We hope you can join us either way.

A Zoom link is here.

Meeting ID: 880 0246 3678 Passcode: 594360

The Minutes of the previous October PAC meeting can be found here.

Virtual Scholarship Information

For those who missed a Virtual Scholarship Information Session by Brittany Palmer of *Unlock your Future* Tuesday, Nov.2nd here is a link to handout materials.

Dust off your Dancing Shoes! The Rockridge Gala is back! Stay tuned for a "Save the Date!" for late Feb or early March. Looking forward to being social again!

Best regards,

Rockridge PAC

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