

PAC MEETING

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Wednesday January 17, 2024 / 9:30 AM

# PRESENT: Cathie, Ana, Cory, Nick, Lirica, Clara, Leila, Sarah, Sophia, Michelle, Kelly, Wenrong, Elan, Winnie, Echo, Anita, Malini, Nazli, Nicole, Emma, Nicole, ShanShan, Shelly

# PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

**Thank you’s:** Staff Christmas candles, Beanies, Diwali table, Hanukkah celebrations, Raz kids

**Enrolment and Staffing:**

·         Staff that are currently on maternity leave have had their babies. There have been new staff and everything is going well.

·        Enrollment for new kindies in-catchment are already full for one class. There are waitlists for every single grade for next year already. If families know they will not be returning for the 2024 – 2025 school year, please let Ms. Satchell know as soon as possible.

**Special Events:**

* Grade 7s have had open houses at Sentinel and West Vancouver Secondary. They have been invited to events at both schools.
* Basketball practices have started already
* Lunar New Year celebrations on February 2nd in the gym
* Nowruz celebrations on March 8th in the gym
* Reading Link Challenge have had a meeting
* Caribou Math Contest – students did their 3rd test this morning
* Pink Shirt Day is on February 28th. Cathie will discuss with Ms. Marshall about our Pink Shirt Day dance with the WVPD
* Family Teams discussed Spirit Days and chose board games as an event
* Mr. Mee’s Musical Showcase involving grades 4-7 will change to new date of April 25th

# FINANCIAL REPORT

* Treasurer presented our current financials
* Cathie requested an interactive screen to replace a broken projector. This will be set up in the learning support room. It cost $2500. We have the funds to purchase this so agreed to go ahead with purchase.
* Maryam (parent volunteer) will be shadowing the treasurer position and hopefully will be able to takeover for next school year.

# HOT LUNCH

* Starting January, we no longer need parent volunteers. The vendors are organizing the orders in divisions and then EA staff and their students are distributing them in the classrooms.
* Hot lunches that were cancelled for today’s snow day will have the amounts credited to their Munchalunch accounts.
* If tomorrow school is also cancelled, everyone will be notified by 6:30am and hot lunches will be credited again to Munchalunch accounts.

# DPAC

* Stina, Lirica and Sarah attended the DPAC presentation last week where they talked about different tools for learning resources
* Please see other attachment for the presentation slides
* One good idea for resources is a school list of parent “areas of expertise”, that teachers may access as a resource
* Recommendation to look at the School District website and find Digital Resources for tools our schools are using

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* **Spring Fling**: Event date is Thursday June 13th from 3-6pm. We will be having activities like last year - bouncy castles, silent auction, jolly jars, etc. Will start meetings in mid-February. Calling out for volunteers, please reach out to Sarah at westcotspringfling@gmail.com
* Request to Cathie to please tell parents that use St. David’s church to please park in the marked parking stalls, not in the middle of the entry/exit driveway, as that restricts traffic flow
* Kindergarten in-district applications should hear on February 1st whether they are accepted at Westcot or not
* Dynamo Fencing is offered at Westcot again. Notices are in the process of going out.
* Afterschool Basketball program is currently for grade 7s. Cathie will ask Mr. B if it is open to younger grades.
* The Lunar New Year school performance requests to have a rehearsal time before event day. Cathie will contact Emma to schedule this

Meeting adjourned at 10:19am