

PAC Executive Newsletter



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Seymour Heights PAC

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PAC Chair Message

Well with Halloween and Remembrance Day now behind us, the trees bare and the temperature dropping we are now definitely in the thick of autumn looking ahead to winter. September and October were busy with Outdoor School, trips to pumpkin patches, grade 7 farewell events, cross country and basketball getting kids active, a wonderful day of drums, the beautiful artistic cards made and more. Thanks to everyone who has been able to help out around the school doing all the things needed to make sure these activities and events can go ahead. Thanks also to all of you who have contributed financially to the PAC so we can do these things, purchase items needed for the school and more ahead with future events and programs.

Some more great news is that we should have new and functional drapes on the stage by the end of this month. Because of some tireless effort by Rebecca Aston not only are the drapes going to be up early, they are well under budget (about \$3700). Our cheque drive combined with some other donations and found money have raised about $\frac{2}{3}$ ^{rds} of that so far. So here is the one money ask for this newsletter, it would be great to have the drapes fully paid for by the time they are up, if you would like to help us out please write a cheque or you can make your donation through www.schoolcashionline.com, click on the **donation tab** and in the drop down menu click **Seymour Heights PAC**. Every month there are

events in the gym for our kids and this is one small way we can make their time in there a little more beautiful.

This week we are beginning preparation for **Santa's Breakfast** and for the **Christmas Market!** How can you help, you wonder? DONATIONS!!! For Santa's breakfast we would like lots and lots of **Toonie Jars**. For the Christmas Market, if you saw it last year you have an idea, we need **unused or gently used items** which you think would make wonderful Christmas gifts for your children to buy and give to their loved ones (one hopes not back to you). Items can include, (but are not limited to): books, jewelry, appliances, toys, technology, tools, decorative items, clothing and accessories, utensils, art, crafts, puzzles, gift baskets and more. Start looking around your house, garage, storage closets, kids room, spouses storage boxes, and bring them to the school when you drop off or pick up. This was such a successful and fun event last year and we hope to build on it.

One final note, at our last PAC meeting we welcomed three new members to the Executive to help fill the voids left by departing members. We are pleased to welcome Alyson Martel, Brandee Leng and Laura Nikkel.

As always if you ever have any questions, comments or concerns for PAC please feel free to come to a meeting or email any of the executive members and we will do our best to help you out.

Ken Bell

Upcoming Events



Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 28th / 30th
1:50 pm dismissal



Book Fair

November 27, 28, 30
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday



Santa's Breakfast

December 2nd
8:30-10:30



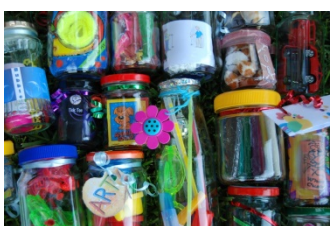
Christmas Market

December 11th
(during school)



PAC Meeting

December 6th 7pm



Toonie Jars For Santa's Breakfast

We are hoping every student can donate at least one toonie jar to help support PAC fundraising efforts.

Just fill a clear container with some little treasures a child would like. Use your imagination and creativity, but some ideas include: toy cars

- hair bands & clips
- small toys
- glitter pens
- marbles
- play dough
- markers, pencils, novelty erasers
- wrapped candies or chocolates!



Christmas Market

The PAC is excited to have our Christmas Market back for a 2nd year!

We will set up our gym like a market for the kids to shop for their loved ones. The kids will be sent home with wish lists of who they would like to buy for in their family, and on the market day they will come to school to "shop". Things will cost either \$1 or \$2. We will have wrappers that help the kids wrap, and older students helping the primary students shop. The idea is for the kids to think of others to give to (they won't be buying for themselves during school hours). If the kids have money left over after buying for the people on their list they can come back after school.

Donations Needed



Please donate new or gently used items you no longer want so that they can be sold at our market. We are looking for anything you think kids would like to "buy" for their family members — toys, books (for all ages), puzzles, movies, ornaments, costume jewelry, small household goods, knick knacks, tools, and so on. We also need large or small empty boxes, wrapping paper, bags, ribbons, Christmas tags, tape etc. Items can be dropped off in the main foyer by the office or in the staff room.

2017 – 2018 PAC Executive

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PAC Fundraising Guidelines

All money raised should have a purpose.
All money kept should have a purpose.

What are PAC meetings?

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings are a connection between the PAC Executive, school administration and parents. It is a great time to hear updates of how the school year is going, what is coming up, and get classroom snapshots from the school administration. You can also have a say and help make decisions about what the PAC does. Every parent is welcome, but no commitment is required – you can come to one or all of the meetings. Go to the [PAC website](#) for more information.



Community Partners

Rebate offers from businesses in our community help raise money for our school.

Simply tell them you are with Seymour Heights Elementary and the PAC will get a percentage donation

Parkgate and Park & Tilford location only



School Lunch Program

Remains open for ordering!

We provide numerous healthy and fun lunches, all while assisting in the fundraising efforts of the school!

Online orders can be placed through [Munch a Lunch](#) up to 10 days prior to each lunch date.

If you have any questions about the PAC please contact one of the executive members by phone, email or grabbing one of us at the school.

Thanks so much and we hope you and your children have a wonderful year at Seymour Heights.