



## **Parkdale Elementary School**

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### **Parkdale Parent Group Meeting**

**Thursday November 14, 2013 – 9:00 a.m.**

#### **Bouquets**

1. Holly thanked the healthy snack committee volunteers.
2. Sandra thanked everyone involved in Movie night. Next movie night we need a flashlight and taking a break part way through is a great idea. We will also check to ensure there is heat in the gymnasium for movie night.

#### **Nurse Carol- Presentation**

- Here at Parkdale on Monday mornings
- New to elementary schools
- Worked in public health for 23 years.
- Parkdale is a health promoting school. This means public health partners with the school to increase healthy lifestyles. We have a Health Action Team. The team looks at the health issues and how we can address them.
- Carol informed the group about the hand-washing sessions coming up on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Principal's Report**

- Sandra informed the group about the focus this year on Math. She informed them about the PD going on in the school and the in - services the board is providing.
- Staff request – concert for kindergartens – \$220.00 “Mighty Music Makers” – Parent Group approved the request for \$220.00.

#### **Healthy Snack**

- Grilled Cheese day is Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup>. We will start with room I6, then JK/SK and then by grade. If parents are available to volunteer for this, that would be great.



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- Sandra will remind teachers about the healthy snack being delivered differently on this day. Teachers may have to interrupt their program to receive the snacks.

### **Movie Night Update**

- Approximately 30 to 40 people attended.
- Next movie night will be Friday December 13<sup>th</sup>. Ken informed the group that the heat can be turned on.

### **Hot Lunches**

- Going very well. The next Pizza day is Friday November 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Other Items of Information**

- Chocolate fundraiser raised over 4000.00 this year. Money has been spent on class trips, IPADS for grade 4, Music Concert for JK/SK.
- Sponsors got a picture of the sign which thanks our sponsors. They loved it.
- Spring Fundraiser – Little Caesar’s Pizza Kits.
- Christina Barahona suggested a “Mom to Mom” sale before the end of the school year. Ken Boyle said he would volunteer his time to act as caretaker on a Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup>
- Spirit Day went very well (team shirt). Next spirit day will be December 19<sup>th</sup> - PJ day. Sandra will put it on the sign out front.
- Unfortunately there will not be a Xmas store this year. The volunteers are unable to run it this year. Instead of the store, we could give each teacher a budget from the Parent Group Fund to make special Xmas crafts this year.
- Anti – Bullying Week – Parent Group suggested Sandra contact the Principal of Churchill and ask for students to come and present to our kids on the topic of bullying. Carol suggested someone from the HAT team at Churchill or a bullying committee member.
- Unfortunately we will not be able to do a Xmas raffle this year as we have been informed by the auditors that in order to do a raffle, we would need to acquire a license.



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- December 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> – Food /Toy Drive (no toys with batteries please). We will also have a donation box for Movie Night.
- Christmas Assembly –Sandra will discuss with staff at our staff meeting today. Food bank can come on this day to pick up items.
- Sandra will put Nurse Carol's Xmas Registry on the school website and will attach it to the next newsletter as well.
- The Parent Group would like to have a Valentine's Day bake sale. Valentine's Day is on Friday February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- There will be no December Parent Group Meeting
- Friday December 6<sup>th</sup> – Parent Group Social at Mother's 4:00 p.m.