

JANUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

Lynn Fripps Parent Advisory Council

Happy New Year Fripps families!

We are now into the second half of our school year, and the PAC is going strong. We have many exciting events for you to look forward to and have just undergone our first round of funding requests from teachers and staff. We're proud to say, that because of your generous support this year, we have been able to fund an additional \$2,500 worth of educational supplies for Lynn Fripps (a detailed list of what has been requested and funded, can be found online: www.lynnfrippspac.com under Fundraising). So far, the PAC has funded over \$6,900 towards field trips, classroom enrichment, sports and athletics, technology and more. Be proud – it's parents like you, who make this happen!

Alicia Rempel, PAC President

Hot Lunch Program

Our January-June hot lunches are now available for ordering on **Munch A Lunch** (visit www.lynnfrippspac.com under hot lunch to set up or access your account). Look forward to Flying Wedge Pizza, Taco Del Mar, Boston Pizza, Sushi, Pizza Hut, Cobs and more!



Munchalunch

Upcoming Events:

- January 12 Order deadline for Flying Wedge Pizza
- January 15 Collaboration Morning, 9:55am
- January 19 Kindergarten 2015/16 registration
- January 22 General PAC meeting, 7pm
- January 23 Flying Wedge Hot Lunch
- January 23 Spirit wear and Pink Shirt Day orders due
- February 17 General PAC meeting, 7pm

school safety

Crosswalks, school zones, sidewalk (or lack thereof) safety... we know these are issues that concern many parents at Lynn Fripps.

On December 17th Mrs. Boles, Alicia (on behalf of PAC) and Tania Dobin (parent who spearheaded this initiative) met with **Mayor Jack Froese**, Assistant Superintendent **Gordon Stewart** and the city engineering department, to walk the roads that are of concern.

We are pleased that they took the time to personally listen to us and hope we see some changes in the near future!

And, as a school, we can be proud that we have parents who are such strong advocates for our kids! Way to go Tania!



THANKYOU

to all the parents who came out to help with the Pancake Breakfast. Special thanks to the boys from the Langley Rivermen for coming out and a HUGE thank you to grandpa Bill for getting up so early and making the pancakes for us.

Pink Shirt Day: February 26, 2015

Order your Pink Shirt by January 23 and take a stand against bullying – proceeds to the Lynn Fripps PAC. Watch for the order form coming soon!



Here is a snippet of the Globe & Mail article that describes how Pink Shirt Day began:

"David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]...[They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school.

'I learned that two people can come up with an idea, run with it, and it can do wonders,' says Mr. Price, 17, who organized the pink protest. 'Finally, someone stood up for a weaker kid.'

So Mr. Shepherd and some other headed off to a discount store and bought 50 pink tank tops. They sent out message to schoolmates that night, and the next morning they hauled the shirts to school in a plastic bag.

As they stood in the foyer handing out the shirts, the bullied boy walked in. His face spoke volumes. 'It looked like a huge weight was lifted off his shoulders,' Mr. Price recalled.

The bullies were never heard from again."

Spirit Wear

We had such a great response from the Lynn Fripps Spirit Wear that we have decided to open up a second round of ordering, for those who missed it. Watch for the order form coming soon!



Purdy's Chocolates Fundraiser



Thanks to your support we raised **\$1200** to support PAC initiatives! And the award for most sales went to Riley H from Mrs. Sukerts class. Enjoy your family night out Riley! Special thank you to Crystal McCamley for coordinating this.

Holiday Jar Bazaar

Was a huge success with lots of happy shoppers and **\$950** raised to support PAC Initiatives! Special thanks to Alison Linden, Claudia Fabian and Zoe Flower for organizing it all.



Funding Requests (December 2014)

Total requested = \$4220 Total approved to spend = \$2500 as follows:



- **\$330 Approved** Mrs. Fernandes: A printer for the learning commons. Student work is printed to the office so they have to run back and forth to get their printed work.
- **\$180 Approved** Mr. Ducklow: "Osmo" playosmo.com ipad extension (not an app) promotes social intelligence, cooperative learning and creative thinking. \$79.99 each
- **\$170 Approved •** Mrs. VanBerkel: Langley picture book of the year (10 titles students read over 10 weeks and vote on best book)
- \$670 approved Mrs. Wiebe: Various Instruments (\$1050 requested)
- **\$710 Approved** Mrs. Peterson (on behalf of all gr. 3 teachers): Grade/content appropriate books to support guided reading/ literature circles/independent reading. 14 Titles, 6 copies each
- **\$440 approved** (20 balls) Mrs. Mirecki and Mrs. Walker: Dodge Balls (\$660 requested for 30 balls)

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