

May 23, 2014



# HPAC News

Please remember that next **Wednesday, May 28** students will be dismissed at **2:00 pm** for staff collaboration.

Here's what we'd like to share with you this week...

## This issue:

- **New Bike Rack**
- **May 27 HPAC Meeting**
- **Scholastic Book Fair**
- **Teacher Appreciation Lunch**
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## New Bike Rack is Here!

After much anticipation, following the great success of last week's Highlands Bike Week, and in time for spring cycling, our new bike rack has arrived! It is located between the portable and playground on Highlands school grounds.

The suggestion for a new bike rack came from last year's HPAC survey (using Thoughtstream) for the benefit of those families entering the school off of Fairmont and was purchased with HPAC funds.

Another reason to ride bikes to school!

### *Speaking of cycling...*

**On Monday, May 26 3:30 - 5:30 pm**, the North Shore Safety Council and HUB: *Your Cycling Connection*, are joining forces, with bells ringing, on the North Van City Civic Plaza to bring attention to the first ever **Bike Day** in Canada. It's also the first day of Bike to Work/School Week!

The North Shore Safety Council invites school children and their families to have fun at our Bike Rodeo right on the Civic Plaza in front of City Hall and the Library!

# Last HPAC Meeting of the School Year

Tuesday, May 27 7:00 pm

Highlands Library

In addition to regular HPAC business, this month's meeting will include the election of the 2014/15 HPAC Executive. For your advance information the draft agenda is now available on the [HPAC web site](#).

The current nominees for the 2014/15 HPAC Executive positions are listed below. Please contact Dana ([danacave@gmail.com](mailto:danacave@gmail.com)) or Erin ([erinmacnair@gmail.com](mailto:erinmacnair@gmail.com)) with other nominees.

At this point, we are still looking for a nominee for the **DPAC** (District Parent Advisory Committee) Representative role. This role provides a link between the HPAC and the North Vancouver PAC (NVPAC). NVPAC meets about six times during the school year. If you'd like to learn more about NVPAC, please visit their web site: <http://www.northvanpac.org/>. Please contact Dana ([danacave@gmail.com](mailto:danacave@gmail.com)) or Erin ([erinmacnair@gmail.com](mailto:erinmacnair@gmail.com)) if you would like to put your name forward for this position.

Also, a new position (Safety Coordinator) is proposed for addition to the HPAC Executive to ensure that all the hard work done by the Safe Routes Advocates (SRA) continues and that other safety matters are addressed.

Proposed 2014/15 HPAC Executive Positions and Current Nominees:

Co-Chairs	Dana Cave & Brandy Hughes
Treasurer	Eric Stodt
Secretary	Tracey Lebedovich
Fundraising Coordinators	Marnie Premont & Jennifer van Eijnsbergen
SPC Representative	Anna Archer
DPAC Representative	-- vacant --
Communications Coordinator	Kirstie Pirie
Safety Coordinator	Erin MacNair
Member-at-Large	Marnie Giblin

Mark **Tuesday, May 27** in your calendar - we hope to see you! As always, complimentary childcare and refreshments will be provided.

## Scholastic Book Fair - Volunteers Still Needed

**Monday, June 2 - Thursday, June 5**

Look for **Book Wish Lists** created by individual classroom teachers and Librarian

Ms. McGee when you're at the book fair.

We still need a few volunteers to work shifts before school, at lunch and after school as per the timetable below. The **time slots in bold cannot run unless we get more volunteers**, though all times could use another body. If you are able to help out on any of these days, please email Christina Carrick ([christina@carrick-lee.net](mailto:christina@carrick-lee.net)) with the days/times you are available.

### Monday, June 2

- Lunch time (Intermediate only) 12:20 - 12:55
- After School 3:00 - 3:45

### Tuesday, June 3

- **Before School** 8:15 - 9:10 (8:45 - 9:10 parents only)
- Lunch time (Primary only) 12:20 - 12:55
- **After School** 3:00 - 3:45

### Wednesday, June 4

- **Before School** 8:15 - 9:10 (8:45 - 9:10 parents only)
- Lunch time (Intermediate only) 12:20 - 12:55
- **After School** 3:00 - 3:45

### Thursday, June 5

- **Before School** 8:15 - 9:10 (8:45 - 9:10 parents only)
- **Lunch time (Primary only)** 12:20 - 12:55
- **After School** 3:00 - 3:45

## Teacher Appreciation Lunch - Volunteers

Monday, June 9

Highlands School

Each year, Highlands parents show thanks to our great teachers with a Teacher Appreciation Lunch. This year's theme is 'Summer Garden' and there is now a sign-up sheet on the HPAC board at the front of the school outlining **two ways** to help:

- 1) Provide food for the event (food drop off between 8:20 - 9:00 am on June 9 in the hallway kitchen) OR
- 2) Volunteer at the event.

Please consider contributing food or your time. For more information, contact even coordinator Carrie Cybak ([carriecybak@gmail.com](mailto:carriecybak@gmail.com)).

# Reminders:

## Highlands Emergency Release Drill Postponed

As noted previously, the Student Release Drill previously scheduled for May 30 has been cancelled. The drill will be rescheduled next school year.

## BCTF Rotating Strike Action - May 29, 2014

For more information, please see:

<http://www.sd44.ca/school/highlands/Pages/newsitem.aspx?ItemID=42>

## NVPAC Parent Participation Survey

**Survey Deadline: Saturday, May 31**

The North Vancouver PAC is inviting all parents of North Vancouver School District students to complete a 10 - 15 minute survey on the parent perception of North Vancouver District schools.

To complete the survey, please go to:

<http://fluidsurveys.com/surveys/north-van-pac/district-parent-perspective-survey-2014/>

The results of the survey will be posted to <http://www.northvanpac.org/>

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## Visit the HPAC Website

The HPAC website ([hpac.wildapricot.org](http://hpac.wildapricot.org)) is the place to find the latest updates and news on HPAC events and business. Please visit us regularly!

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