

**May 30, 2014**



# HPAC News

Hurray for the sunshine! Here's what we'd like to share with you this week...

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## May 27 HPAC Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the HPAC meeting this week. Please find the draft minutes [here](#) for your information, they are also now posted on the [HPAC web site](#).

A special Thank You to outgoing HPAC Executive Committee members Alexa McClaren and Kathy Bright for the years they spent on the Executive and the interest and expertise that they brought to benefit the school.

Following the elections, the 2014/15 HPAC Executive Committee members are listed below...

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

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 Brandy ([brandyhughes@gmail.com](mailto:brandyhughes@gmail.com)) if you would like to put your name forward for this position.

## New for Fall 2014

The HPAC Executive, in consultation with school administration, will be developing an "HPAC Sponsored Activity" proposal form for a parent or group of parents to complete to assist in the approval process.

Parties wishing to propose HPAC-sponsored events for 2014/15 will be invited to submit proposals in the fall for consideration.

## Scholastic Book Fair

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

By purchasing books at the fair, not only are you enhancing your home book supply but helping the library boost the number of books for all students! Highlands receives a percentage of funds spent at the book fair, this directly benefits Highlands Library.

Another way to bring more books to the school is to look for **Wish Lists** created by individual classroom teachers and Library Ms. McGee at the book fair.

The book fair schedule is outlined below. If you are able to help out please email Christina Carrick ([christina@carrick-lee.net](mailto:christina@carrick-lee.net)).

During the mornings and after school, the book fair is open to all students. At lunch time the fair will be open to primary grades (K-3) on Thursday and intermediate grades (4-7) on Monday and Wednesday.

### Monday, June 2

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

*Tuesday, June 3 (No classes in session - BCTF Strike Action)*

### 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

Monday, June 9

Highlands School

Thank you so much for all of the volunteers who have already signed up to contribute food and volunteer on the day of the event. We have an abundant amount of volunteers, however, there are a few items left on the **food list** if you are interested in contributing!

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Carrie at [carriecybak@gmail.com](mailto:carriecybak@gmail.com).

## Safe Routes Advocates (SRA) - Update

The District of North Vancouver met with the SRA and has agreed to work with us to achieve some minor goals. We respect their limitations of staff and readily available funds, and with that in mind, are forming a working relationship that benefits the greater school area. Small steps are great steps, and we are grateful to be included in their process.

The SRA has also been invited to attend a workshop with the District of North Vancouver, in partnership with the District of West Vancouver, the City of North Vancouver, the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Translink Travelsmart and Vancouver Coastal Health. A grant was received to further the wider education of wider education of safe routes: HASTe (Hub for Active School Travel) will be one of the main presenters.

If you have an interest in these issues, or helping create a walking school bus at Highlands, talk to Erin MacNair ([erinmacnair@gmail.com](mailto:erinmacnair@gmail.com)). It's all very interesting, and the kids will benefit in the long run!

## Highlands Kids Club - Summer Programs

[www.highlandskidsclub.ca](http://www.highlandskidsclub.ca)

Highlands Kids Club is a licensed, not-for-profit childcare society offering year-round programs on the grounds of Highlands Elementary. They have fully certified supervisors who in addition to being highly qualified are also experts in fun!

For school age children, they offer on a regular or drop-in basis before and after school care (7:00 am to 6:00 pm) as well as coverage for most school closures including professional days, early dismissal, spring breaks and summer camps. Highlands Kids Club also has a preschool program for three and four year olds which operates during the school day based on the school calendar with flexible schedule options (9:15 am - 2:45 pm).

Their **Summer and September registration** has begun, space is available. The summer program consists of three in days and two out trips and also includes arts, science, swimming, and visits to all kinds of fun places.

For more information and/or to register, contact Elsie Webb, Director: 604-985-6958 or [highlandskidsclub@shaw.ca](mailto:highlandskidsclub@shaw.ca).

## Reminders

### **BCTF Rotating Strike Action - Tuesday, June 3, 2014**

For more information, please see:

<http://www.bcpsea.bc.ca/documents/teacher%20bargaining/Bargaining%20Bulletin/00-BCTF%20Strike%20Notice%20Schedule%20May%2028%202014.pdf>

### **NVPAC Parent Participation Survey**

#### **Survey Deadline: Saturday, May 31 (TOMORROW)**

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/>

## 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!