



Thank you, Highlands families, for making this year's annual BBQ an amazing event. We can't tell you how much we appreciated your donations (900 cupcakes, wow!), your patronage, and your willingness to stand in line for Wayne's delicious sandwiches.

We learned a few things with this year's event: kids like to swap juice for soda when their parents aren't looking, perhaps two trucks are better than one, and "everyone wins a cupcake" is a real crowd pleaser. Highlands' families came out in droves to support the school, a fantastic testament to our community. A huge thank you to all the volunteers, especially Kids Club, who can sling mac and cheese with the best of them!

See you at next week's first Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting of the year.

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## Highlands PAC Meeting

**Tuesday, September 24 7:00 - 8:00pm, Highlands Library**

Speaking of next week's meeting ... all Highlands' families are welcome and encouraged to attend. As always, coffee and tea will be provided, in addition to free childminding.

The [draft agenda](#) is on the HPAC web site and here for your advance viewing pleasure:

DRAFT AGENDA:

1. Welcome and Executive Introductions
2. Administration Greeting and Updates  
(Todd Henderson and Blair Martin)
3. General Updates
  - New Parent Tea
  - Welcome Back BBQ & Cupcake Walk (Jennifer and Marnie)
  - Class Representatives (Christina)
  - Terry Fox Run: September 26 (Blair)
  - MJM Photos: September 27, 29 and 30
  - Scholastic Book Fair: Date TBD
  - Talent Night: Tryout dates TBD
  - Walk and Wheels: Dates TBD
  - EcoFest: Date TBD
  - Bike Week: Date TBD
  - Community Partner: COBS Bread, mabels labels
4. Upcoming HPAC Initiatives
  - Proposal of lunchtime activity program (Dana)
5. Budget Update (Eric)
6. Fundraising Opportunities/Proposed Events for Discussion
  - Card Project (Meghan and Kelly)
  - Parent Social: November 2 – new venue
  - Gingerbread Event
  - Father/Daughter Dance
  - Spring Fair
  - EcoFest
  - Family Movie Night
  - Family Bingo Night
  - New Ideas?

7. Open Discussion
8. Next HPAC Meeting: October 22 Budget Meeting
9. Adjourn

## **Last Day for Food Days Orders - TODAY!**

Today, September 20 at midnight, is the last day to order your children's hot lunches for the first part of the school year. To order, go to the [Friday Food Days](#) page on the HPAC website. Please reference the list of classroom allergies noted on this page.

A couple of things to remember:

- All payments must be received by the of the day.
- There are no refunds or changes after Friday, September 20, 2013. If you are away during a Food Day, please consider it a donation to the HPAC.

Questions or concerns - please contact the Food Days Coordinator at [lunchmum@gmail.com](mailto:lunchmum@gmail.com).

## **Class Reps Still Needed**

Thank you to all who have answered the call. We are, however, still in need of a class reps for the following divisions:

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| Division 1 (Miss Ham)   | - 1 rep still needed (ideally from grade 7) |
| Division 3 (Mrs. Baker) | - 1 rep still needed (ideally from grade 6) |
| Division 6 (Mrs. Fary)  | - 1 rep still needed (ideally from grade 4) |

If you are able to fill one of these roles for your child's classroom, please email Christina Carrick ([ccarrick@telus.net](mailto:ccarrick@telus.net)).

## **MJM Family Photos**

Don't miss the opportunity for some great family photos! MJM Studios is back again this year for our Annual Family Photo Night sessions on the following dates:

[Friday, Sept. 27 from 5pm - 9pm](#)

[Sunday, Sept. 29 from 9am - 5pm](#)

[Monday, Sept. 30 from 5pm-9pm](#)

If you haven't participated before, this is a quick and enjoyable photo session that results in lovely family photos. There is a \$20 sitting fee and **100%** of the fee goes directly to our school. Each family has an opportunity to have several different photographs taken and will receive one complimentary 8 X 10 portrait of your choice. Additional photos, holiday cards, etc will be available for purchase. The photos will be delivered directly to the school for pick up.

#### To Sign Up:

1. Click on one of the above dates and follow the link.
2. Select a 10 minute sitting time.
3. Fill out the form with required details. (ie name, contact information).

Payment: Please put your child's name on the cheque, and make all cheques payable to **HPAC** and deposit them in the HPAC box outside of the office. Also, please ensure your cheque is in a envelope labeled clearly with the following details: your child's name, sitting time, Div. # & Teacher's name.

Thank you for your support in this wonderful school fundraiser! Please contact Kelly O'Bryan ([kellyobryan3@gmail.com](mailto:kellyobryan3@gmail.com)) for more information.

## **Parent Information Sessions**

### **Making Sense of Children**

Highlands' families told the HPAC last year that they wanted more parent education opportunities. Here's your chance...the first of the five sessions, hosted by Cleveland Elementary School, will be held next Wednesday, September 25. For more information or to register, please view the [HPAC Calendar](#) or click on the following link for the full poster: [Cleveland Parent Information Sessions](#).

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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.

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