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# HPAC News

Happy Fun Day! A reminder that there is NO hot lunch today so make sure to pack a lunch for your kids.

To all the fantastic Dads, we wish you a very Happy Father's Day!

One week left to go...we are almost there! Have a great weekend!

*If you would like to include any information in the weekly HPAC News, please forward your submission to [verna@noru.ca](mailto:verna@noru.ca) by **Wednesday 12:00 noon.***

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## Thank You!

### **Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch:**

A very BIG thank you to Laura Clarke and Marnie Beaton for once again organizing the Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch yesterday. Many thanks to the community for donating food and time to this well received event.

### **Year End BBQ & Natural Playground Opening:**

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A HUGE thank you to Marnie Giblin, Tracey Lebedovich and Amanda Clark for all of your hard work in organizing a great year end BBQ and grand opening of the Natural Playground for the community last Friday. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who assisted with this fantastic event and the families who came out and joined the fun!

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### **BBQ Wrap Up**

Mother Nature sure was good to us last Friday for our year end BBQ! In between bouts of rain, we served up 350 burgers and hot dogs in beautiful sunshine. The kids really got into the sports races, and fun was had by all. Thanks for coming out!



### **District PAC Representative**

We are looking for some assistance with a partner in crime for our DPAC Representative, Jason Krupa. As a DPAC Representative, you attend 2 meetings per month approximately 2 hours long with other Representatives from North Vancouver Schools. With Jason and another parent, this would mean 1 meeting per month.

If you are interested in helping, please contact us at [HPAC@wildapricot.org](mailto:HPAC@wildapricot.org).

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### **Donation of School Supplies**

Don't know what to do with excess school supplies at the end of the year? Beginning on Monday, June 20th, and continuing to June 28, there will be collection boxes in classrooms for excess school supplies that families wish to donate. Some of the donations will be forwarded to North Shore Neighbourhood House childcare services and other programs. The balance of the donations will be provided to a school in need.

Please contact [juliekwaltz@gmail.com](mailto:juliekwaltz@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

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### **Natural Playground - Weeding Volunteers Needed**

Now that the playground is open, we are still in need of parent volunteers for the master weeding volunteer list. Thank you to the many parents who have already agreed to volunteer. It would be approximately a 1.5 hour commitment on a Saturday or Sunday, once every few months at the very most (max. of 2-3 times total per year). The more people we have on the list, the less everyone needs to do.

It is the community's responsibility to weed and maintain our Natural Playground. If you are able to volunteer some time, please contact Tracey Lebedovich ([tracey@gloriousday.com](mailto:tracey@gloriousday.com)). Thank you in advance!

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## Summer Playdates for Incoming Kindergarten Students

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten in September 2016?

We will be coordinating a few casual play dates over the summer months at the school for incoming kindergarten students as a way for the children (and parents) to meet each other and have some familiar faces in advance of starting school in September.

If you are interested to being notified when these dates are scheduled and have **not** yet signed up to be included in the summer playdate distribution list, please email Kirstie ([kirstiepirie@yahoo.com](mailto:kirstiepirie@yahoo.com)) with: 1) your name, 2) your kindergarten child's name, and 3) your email address. This list will only be used to distribute information about the play dates.

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## Kids Club Summer Programs

Kids Club summer registration has begun! There are still a few spots remaining. For more details, please visit: <http://www.highlandskidsclub.ca>.

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## HPAC Reminders

### Outstanding Invoices and Expenses:

If you have any outstanding invoices and expenses for any past HPAC events, projects, etc., then please submit these to Tracy Stirling, HPAC Treasurer no later than **June 30th**. Invoices and expenses submitted after this date will not be taken care of until the fall. If you have any questions, please email Tracy ([tracystirling@shaw.ca](mailto:tracystirling@shaw.ca)).

### Fall Planning and HPAC Event Proposals:

Your HPAC Executives will be discussing the 2016/17 budget at the October HPAC meeting. If you would you like to see a new event take place at Highlands Elementary that requires some financial assistance, then please [click here](#) to print out a copy of "Budget Request Form" and place into the HPAC box by **Tuesday, September 20**, 2016. Please ensure you read all of the HPAC and School District policies to ensure your event follows all required guidelines.

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## **In the Community...**

### **11th Annual Teddy Bear Picnic Saturday, June 18: 10:30am - 2:00pm St. Andrew's Park & Gym (1044 St. George's Avenue)**

St. Andrew's United Church invites the public to attend its annual Teddy Bear Picnic on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30a.m. – 2p.m., rain or shine, at St. Andrew's Park in North Vancouver (St. George's Ave & 11<sup>th</sup> street). The event is free and features a variety of entertainment for everyone, including clowns, music, storytelling, face painting, cookie decorating and a bouncy castle! Hot dogs and refreshments will also be provided at a nominal cost! For more information, [click here](#).

### **Elite Dreams Football Camp July 2, 2016: 11:00am - 3:00pm BC Place**

The Game Ready/ Life Ready team are excited to be hosting this camp for all kids 7 and up!! It is an amazing opportunity to play with some of the best players from around the NFL!

Register at <http://www.elitedreamsfootball.com/> , take advantage of the early bird special until June 18<sup>th</sup>!

### **Maker Tech Week & Camp July 11 - 14, 2016: 9:30am - 3:30pm Lower Lonsdale Shipyards**

The Camp is designed for those who are interested in learning, getting creative, and of course, in making some very cool stuff! The focus will be on a variety of **3D designs and 3D printing, as well as robotics and coding**.

Participants will get to make everything from 3D designs, 3D printing, vibrobots and drawbots to metal jewelry work. There will be elements of science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) along with a variety of unique 3D samples, prototypes, drone demos and robotic inventions. For more information, [click here](#).

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