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HPAC News

It's another busy week ahead, especially **Wednesday, February 24th...**

We welcome the community to wear pink next Wednesday as it is Pink Shirt Day. A day to symbolize a stand against bullying. The first Pink Shirt Day event began in Nova Scotia, Canada in 2007 and now this is an event recognized by over 25 countries world-wide.

In celebration of Pink Shirt Day, your Highlands Kindness Committee has organized a special Hot Dog Luncheon. Further details are below.

Last but not least, a reminder that there is an **early 2:00pm dismissal** on Wednesday as it is a Staff Collaboration Day.

Have a great weekend everyone!

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

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Family Movie Night - Inside Out: **TONIGHT!**

Family Movie Night is TONIGHT! Limited tickets will be available at the door.

Your child's ticket includes water, popcorn, and a glow bracelet. Doors open at 6pm, movie to start at 6:30pm. Grade 7s are hosting a bake sale, so bring some cash for a treat! Pyjamas and pillows are welcome! See you there!

Natural Playground - Important Engraving Items Update: Text Due - **February 24th**

Hello! Its time to submit your personalized engraving text for your previously ordered engraved bricks, stepping stones and boulders! Tracey Lebedovich has sent out emails to all those who have ordered – please check your inbox and make sure you fill out your desired engraving text using the Google forms link provided in the email.

All text must be received by Wed Feb 24th – which is next week! An

Any questions or if you didn't receive an email for your item order, please email tracey@gloriousday.com.

Pink Shirt / Hot Dog Day - **February 24th**

On Wednesday, February 24, Pink Shirt Day, the Highlands Kindness Committee will serve a hot dog lunch at Highlands. Funds raised will go towards hosting a hot dog lunch at another elementary school on the North Shore. This lunch will be served on April 28, which is Pay It Forward Day.

Order forms went home in backpacks this week but if you missed it, you can print a copy [here](#). Orders are due this **Monday, February 22**. Please drop your order form along with cash or cheque payable to HPAC in the HPAC box outside the school office.

Each lunch includes a hot dog, snack-sized bag of chips and an apple. Cost is \$5 per lunch

Talent Show Application Deadline - **February 26th**

Please remind your talented kids that the application deadline is next Friday, February 26. Auditions will not be held until early April so they will have plenty of time to get their act together (literally!). Click [here](#) for more information and audition form.

As a reminder, the show is scheduled for May 25th. Forms can be picked up in the rack outside the office and submitted into the office. If you have any questions

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Purdy's Easter/Spring Grade 7 Fundraiser

Does it drive you crazy how the moment that Christmas is over, store shelves are stocked for Valentines' and Easter?! Well, we're sorry, but we're going to have to start talking EASTER early too! Because Easter falls on March 27th, within the last days of spring break, we need to complete Purdy's orders before spring break starts on March 12th!!

So...here's your opportunity to be ultra-organized and complete your Easter/Spring shopping early! You are invited once again to participate in part 2 of the Highlands' "Grade 7 Farewell" fundraiser. Purdy's brochures will be sent home with your child this week.

Please support this great cause by using the following online link to join the fundraiser: <http://www.purdysgpp.com/join/11523>. Once registered and logged in, you should be joined to the Highlands Grade 7 Farewell Fundraiser Easter 2016. From there you are able to invite other members (feel free to pass this link along to others!), shop online & pay for your orders. Alternatively, you can submit an order form, with your cheque *payable to Highlands PAC* into the HPAC box by the office.

Deadline for orders is Tuesday, March 1st by 10pm

Completed orders will be available for pick-up (in a sealed bag with only your name on it) in Highlands' school foyer on Wednesday March 9th from 2:00 to 5:00pm.

Thank you for your support! - *Highlands Grade 7 class*

Grade 7 Purdy's Organizers: Karen Magelund (kmags@telus.net) & Sondra Dawson (dsdawson@telus.net), Purdy's "Customer Number": 11523

Saleema Noon: Sex Talk. No Sweat.
A Workshop for Parents - March 1st at 6:30pm
(School Music Room)

[Click here to learn more.](#)

Not all parents are comfortable talking to their children about sex, but all parents can *learn to be comfortable*.

During this open and informational session, parents will come to terms with sexual health, and understand how it fits into the lives of their children at this stage of life. Attendees will discover how to easily overcome embarrassment when talking about sexual health, learn words and concepts that are easy to use, and leave well equipped to clearly answer the questions children ask.

The workshop is light hearted, but delivers straight and current facts on how parents and children can work together to promote good sexual decisions for a lifetime.

The sessions for all students will follow on March 3rd and March 4th.

Fruit Bar Pre-Order Form Round Three: April - June 2016

Mr. Blair Martin's Fruit Bar fundraising program has always been a great success and we are pleased to announce that we will be continuing his initiative to support the education of children in Peru. Order forms for round three are being sent home in backpacks today. Or [click here](#) to download a form.

Please drop off your completed order form and payment (CASH PREFERRED) in the office by **Friday March 4th**.

Safe Routes Advocates Letter Campaign

The SRA (Safe Routes Advocates), a group of parents dedicated to your children's safety, now needs your help. They are asking the DNV to hire a Mobility Manager: a person dedicated to increasing the safety and awareness of all in the community.

The City of North Van has invested in this position and we feel the DNV could benefit from it as well. Please take a moment to send them your thoughts. If many parents speak up, this may just happen. Many of you want crossing guards, better marked pathways and bike lanes, etc. If there is a position dedicated to these issues, there may be movement.

Please take the time to write a brief letter of support! To make things a little easier, please see the sample letter below. Feel free to cut and paste!

[North Shore SRA Letter Campaign.doc](#)

W.O.W. Program

Congratulations to Division 11 - Mrs. Posnikoff's class (primaries - 65%) and Division 7 - Ms. Sherlock's class (intermediates - 61%) for winning the coveted Golden Sneaker this week! A total of 193 students (45%) participated.

Make sure to attach your WOW tag to your backpack and walk or wheel to school next Thursday to get into the action!

Revised HPAC Directory Now Online

The HPAC Directory is now complete and online! Thank you to everyone who went online to update your profile and opt "Yes" or "No" to being included. Over 75% of Highlands students are included in this version of the Directory.

To view the electronic document, please...

1. Log on to the HPAC website at <http://www.hpac.wildapricot.org>
2. Click on the 3 horizontal blue lines on the navigation bar. Select "For Highlands Family Only"
3. Click on "Highlands School Directory"
4. Click on "2015 - 2016 School Directory" in blue.

This is the second and final version of the Directory for the 2015/16 school year.

Please remember that the Directory is for use only by Highlands families for social purposes, NOT for any business, political or religious solicitation. Under the Protection of Privacy Act, users must not provide information contained within to any other source. Copying and further distribution of this document is forbidden.



3rd Annual Healthy Family Expo - March 6th

On Sunday, March 6th, the [Healthy Family Expo](#) turns the Vancouver Convention Centre into the biggest indoor playground for Lower Mainland families with kids aged 0-12. A Highlands parent has kindly donated complimentary tickets to all Highlands families!

Kids can burn off steam in the huge [Active Kid Zone](#), with a giant hamster ball track, rock climbing wall, fire truck bouncer, run bike and sportball areas, animal safari with "Dozer" the giant tortoise, and Bobs & LoLo and Jessie Farrell concerts on stage, while parents enjoy over 100 exhibitors, shopping, food sampling, \$15,000 Grand Prize Showcase, and Toyota hybrid vehicle test-driving. **All attractions are included with admission and kids under 12 are FREE!**

To get involved in the fun:

1. Join the [Expo Facebook Event](#) for your chance to win thousands in pre-Expo prizing; and
2. Grab limited time COMPLIMENTARY adult tickets [online now](#) using code HEGUEST.

We hope to see you at the 3rd Annual Healthy Family Expo!

In the Community...

BC Aviation & Aerospace Outreach Event Abbotsford International Airport March 12 - 13, 2016 from 9:00am - 5:30pm

Females of all ages - come find out what's behind the fence, in the sky and under the hood at the airport! Hands on activities from Aviation, Aerospace, Marine & Defence - Space too! Fun for the whole family! Free!

For more information and event details, please [click here](#).

West Vancouver Field Hockey Club 2016 Spring Break Beginner Camp Begins March 15, 2016 from 9:00am - 12:00 noon.

Spring Break Field Hockey Camp. This camp is best for players who have been playing for 2 years or less. It is a refresher course covering all the basic field hockey skills, rules and game play to introduce or refresh skills for the upcoming spring league season. Great starting point for Girls and Boys interested in trying Field Hockey. For more information, please visit:

https://secure.millsoft.ca/wvfh/webapps/spappz_live/event_reg1?id=406&menugroup=clubcontac

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