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HPAC News

A VERY big thank you to Amanda Clark, Angie Foulds, Nikki Brown and all the volunteers who organized an amazing Talent Show. Congratulations to you all and to the talented performers for a job well done!

A reminder that the deadline to submit your orders for the year-end BBQ and official opening of the Natural Playground is next **Thursday, June 2nd**. Turn in your [order form](#) along with payment (cheques payable to HPAC) into the HPAC box by June 2nd so you don't miss out. Limited food will be available by cash only at the event. We hope to see you there!

The week ahead will be an extremely busy one. Read through and find out what is coming up!

*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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Highlands Whitecaps Day: **May 28th**

This Saturday, May 28th, a group of Highlands families will attend the Whitecaps game. We have randomly drawn names to choose ten students to watch the team warm up from the team bench, five students to high-five the players as they enter

the stadium, and two lucky students to take a penalty shot on Spike, the mascot! Families of these students have been notified. See you at the game - remember start time is 3pm!

Bike Week: May 30th - June 2nd

Ride your bike or scooter to school every day next week for the chance to win some great prizes. Thursday will be a special WOW day for bikes and scooters only. Prizes for the class with the most participants!

Scholastic Spring Book Fair: May 30th - June 2nd

Thank you to everyone who responded to our urgent call for volunteers! The response was great, and all time slots are a go!

A few reminders:

- The fair is open for sales until 9:00am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, so that parents have the opportunity to browse and shop in peace and quiet. Be sure to come by and find some good reads for the summer!
 - Teacher Wish Lists will be posted - these are books teachers would like to have in their classrooms, and make great end-of-year teacher "thank you"s!
 - All grades are welcome to shop before and after school. During lunch times, we will be inviting the intermediate grades to shop on Monday and Wednesday; primary grades are invited to shop Tuesday and Thursday.
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Grade 7 Yearbook Advertisement Opportunity

Deadline: June 3rd

Every year the Grade 7 Yearbook relies on some sponsorship or advertising revenue to supplement the funds provided from the fundraising activities. If anyone would like to sponsor/advertise (or knows someone who would like to) in the 2016 Yearbook, then please get in touch with Louise McAlpine (loumca@hotmail.com) or Susan Pennefather (susanpennefather@gmail.com).

We have a limit of 4 pages of advertising available and the "cost/donation" is \$200/A4 page, \$100 half page, \$50 quarter page, \$25 to have a business card in there. **The deadline for submissions and payment is Friday, June 3rd.** It is a relatively cheap way to advertise and also supports our Grade 7 students and makes the year book possible.

Many thanks! - Louise and Susan, Grade 7 Yearbook Organizers



BrainSTEM Learning Afterschool Program - Few Spots Left Starting on May 30th!

Introduction to Robotics

(For Kindergarten & Grade 1 students - boys & girls)

Dates: Mondays 3:00-4:00pm in Highlands Library (May 30 – June 27)

Cost: \$112.50 + tax for 5 sessions

Description: Robotics is the science or study of the technology associated with the design, fabrication, programming, and application of robots. Little brains will discover what is behind a robot, a number of possible designs, the materials, what software is, and the programming using the LEGO® WeDo materials. Computers will also be used to build robotic animals and toys under the guidance of leaders and assistants under the STEM education programs.

This series will be limited to 12 kids in the library.

Class 1 – Building and Programming & Dancing Birds

Class 2 – Sail Boat

Class 3 – Drumming Monkey

Class 4 – Goal Kicker

Class 5 – Hungry Alligator

Aerospace Engineering

(For Grade 2 & 3 students - boys & girls)

Dates: Mondays 3:00-4:30pm in Highlands Library (May 30 – June 27)

Cost: \$112.50 + tax for 5 sessions

Description: The aerospace industry is one of the most fascinating things for children. In this program they will learn about the fundamentals of the aeronautical industry, including aerodynamics, gravity, velocity, acceleration, forces to lift, drag & thrust objects, and space environment characteristics. They will use math to improve their results, discover about the importance of the materials in this engineering branch, and use their creativity and curiosity to design, build and test their own prototypes.

This series will be limited to 12 kids in the library.

Class 1 – Introduction to astronautics & aerodynamics
Class 2 – Zero gravity & balloon rockets
Class 3 – Straw Rockets
Class 4 – Landing Challenge
Class 5 – Water Rockets

Online Registration: <http://www.brainstemlearning.ca/contact/registration/>.

When registering online, choose "Highlands Elementary" as location, "May 30th" as the start date, and "Workshop" as program type. After the form is submitted, Sarah Baldwin will contact you for payment by credit card or e-transfer to confirm.

If your child has already completed a BrainSTEM program at Highlands, no need to fill out the complete online application form again – just email sarah.baldwin@brainstemlearning.ca to register and make payment.

W.O.W Program

Congratulations to Division 16 - Mrs. Holliday's class (primaries - 65%) and Division 6 - Ms. Fary's class (intermediates - 53%) for winning the coveted Golden Sneaker this week! A total of 161 students (38%) participated.

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

In the Community...

Hollyburn Family Services Presents
Crying, Tantrums and Other Inconveniences of Parenting
June 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2016 (9:30am - 11:30am)
#104 - 267 West Esplanade, North Vancouver

The free course will offer tools, strategies and insight to handle crying and tantrums in a way that is attachment-friendly and parent-enriching. For more information, [click here](#).

Food Safe Level 1 Course
June 10: 9:00am - 4:00pm
St. Andrews United Church (1044 St. George's Ave., N. Vancouver)

St. Andrew's United Church is offering a FoodSafe Level 1 course in the Friendship Room for their community kitchen volunteers. There are some spaces still available at a discounted cost of \$60 per person. For more information or to register, please contact Susan Cowan at **604-988-8835** or email susancowan@telus.net. Pre-

registration and payment is required.

**North Vancouver Community Arts Council
Art on the Farm at Maplewood Farm
July & August, 2016**

Join the farmers each morning before the farm opens to the public to help them with their chores and learn about the animals. After getting muddy with the farmers, it is time to get mucky with an artist, as you explore animal-themed art each day. For more information, [click here](#).

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