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# HPAC News

This will be the last newsletter for the school year. HPAC News will be back in early September. Thank you to Glenda Savage who will be taking over as Communications Coordinator and publishing the newsletters for the upcoming school year. For future newsletter submissions, please send to Glenda by 12 noon on Wednesdays at [glenda.savage@shaw.ca](mailto:glenda.savage@shaw.ca).

The final day of school will be next Tuesday, June 28th - 3:00pm dismissal.

What a fantastic year we are wrapping up at Highlands. Now, it's time to unwind and relax. Have a wonderful summer everyone!

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## Many Thanks and Best Wishes!

Before we end another amazing school year, one last thank you to the many parents who have volunteered this year to support our community. With so many great events and initiatives taking place at Highlands, it requires many hands - thank you!

We would also like to wish a fond farewell to Mrs. Sawchuk, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Farnan, Mrs. Eburne, Ms. Ham, Mrs. Knight and Ms. Boyd. Thank you very much for taking special care of our kids and our Highlands families. All of you will be greatly missed and we wish you all the best!

Last but not least, congratulations to our graduating Grade 7 students and their families! What an exciting time in your lives with new adventures ahead. We wish you continued success and happiness!

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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 paid.** If you have any questions, please email Tracy Stirling ([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 guideline.

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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 ShoreNeighbourhood 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?

A few casual play dates will be coordinated 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.

Also, if you know other families with a child starting kindergarten at Highlands, please forward them this information.

This list will only be used to distribute information about the play dates.

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## **Scholastic Book Fair Summary**

Thank you to everyone who volunteered at our spring book fair. The children enjoyed the event very much, and we raised \$2,491.78 in Scholastic product for our school library! This will be very helpful in bringing in new titles to the library for the fall, as well as replacing some of the more "well-loved" books.

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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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## **Community Partners Reminder....**

During your summer break, don't forget about our many community partners such as COBS Bread in Edgemont Village, Kmuniti, Mabel's Labels and Boston Pizza. For

more information, [click here](#).

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## In the Community...

**Highlands United Church Carnival**  
**June 26, 2016: 11:00am - 3:00pm**  
**3255 Edgemont Boulevard**

Highlands United Church welcomes the community to a carnival event. Bouncy castles, face painting, cupcake walk, hot dogs and so much more. For more information, please [click here](#).

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