

January 13, 2017

HPAC News

We are only one week into the winter semester and already there are many activities and events to look forward to over the next few weeks - read on!

A reminder that next Friday, January 20th is a Professional Development Day and school is not in session.

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

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Meals 2 Go: **Last Chance, order by Monday!**



Take a night off cooking and support Highlands by ordering dinner through this fundraiser that sends 8% of orders back to the school. Ordering closes this Monday! Meals are supplied by Well Fed Meals 2 Go, one of our trusted lunch program providers. Meals 2 Go can provide you with tasty, nutritious ready-to-cook dinner options. Simply order through MunchaLunch, click [here](#) and

click on "Fundraising Open". Meal pick up is January 26th (note the new date) at 2:45 beside the gym.

Afterschool Programs: Register Now, a few openings are still available!



After School Programs at Highlands started this week, and there are still a few spots left in some of the classes if anyone wants to **register late!**

Please note the following changes to the After School Program schedule for this term:

- Lunch time Artmania classes for K-3 and 4-7 students have swapped days of the week (K-3 is now Wednesdays and 4-7 is not Mondays, so as not to conflict with the older students string sessions on Wednesday lunch).
- Adventures in Drama has been cancelled on Tuesdays for Grade 7 students.
- Friday's Adventures in Drama has been changed to Grades 5 and 6 only.
- Sole Girls has been cancelled on Tuesdays and will return after Spring Break when we have some nicer weather for running outdoors!

Please contact Angela Santoro at angelasantoro99@gmail.com with questions on the programs, or any suggestions on future after school programs. Classes are listed below, and for more detail and to register please click [here](#).

WEEKDAY	PROGRAM	GRADES	TIME	LOCATION
Mondays	Artmania	4-7	12 – 1 pm	Kids Club Portable
Tuesdays	BrainSTEM Learning	K-1	3 – 4 pm	Ms. Wright's Class
Tuesdays	BrainSTEM Learning	2-7	3 – 4:30 pm	Ms. Wright's Class
Wednesdays	BrainSTEM Learning	K-1	3 – 4 pm	Ms. Wright's Class
Wednesdays	BrainSTEM Learning	2-7	3 – 4:30 pm	Ms. Wright's Class
Wednesdays	Artmania	K-3	12 – 1 pm	Kids Club Portable
Thursdays	Artmania	K-7	3 – 4:30 pm	Ms. Wright's Class
Fridays	Sportball	K-3	3 – 4 pm	Gymnasium
Fridays	Adventures in Drama	5-6	3 – 4:30 pm	Library

Hot Dog Lunch: Thursday, January 19th

Need a break from packing lunches?

Next Friday, January 20th is a ProD day - therefore if you want to enjoy a break from making lunches next week, take advantage of the Grade 7 Farewell Committee's hot lunch on Thursday, January 19th. For \$5 your child can enjoy an all beef hot dog on a whole wheat bun, bag of plain chips and an apple. Additional hotdogs are \$1.50 each. Advance sales only.

Order forms have been sent home with all students.

Please return your order form along with cash or cheque (payable to HPAC) in the HPAC box by Monday, January 16th. Additional order forms are in the school foyer.



Hop onto the Highlands Book Drive: **Through** January 20th

Please drop off any gently used books that may be appropriate for classroom use in the boxes in the front hall. Our classrooms will benefit from novels, graphic novels, picture books and readers.

Intermediate classes would especially love the following series: I Am Number Four, The Lunar Chronicles, The Land of Stories, Red Queen, Harry Potter, as well as graphic novels.

Thanks for sorting through your bookcases! Any books that cannot be used at the school will be donated to charity.

Friday Food Days Ordering Open! Order by January 25th



Yeah! It's time to place your child's Food Days order for February 3rd - June 16th which means you only need to pack four lunches a week for the second half of the school year. To order, click [here](#). Food Days is one of the HPAC's biggest fundraisers. Proceeds go towards things such as technology for the school, library books, natural playground maintenance, Bike Week, emergency storage container upkeep, and much more.

All orders must be received by Wednesday, January 25th, at noon. Payment will only be accepted via PayPal.

Sorry, there are no refunds or changes after the deadline. If you are away during a Food Day, please consider payment a donation to the HPAC. Any questions, please contact Brandy at lunchmum@gmail.com.

2017 HPAC Directory: Deadline January 27th

We will be preparing the final version of the 2016/17 HPAC Directory in the next few weeks. If you would like to have your contact information included in the final Directory but were NOT included in the earlier version, or if you would like to update any of your details, then please follow these steps:

1. Log into <http://hpac.wildapricot.org/>
2. Click on your child's name located in the upper left hand corner
3. Click "Edit Profile"
4. Scroll down to "Include my contact info in the school directory?" and select your preference. Any changes to your profile can be done here as well.
5. Once updated, click "Save" at the bottom of the page.

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If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Verna O'Neill at verna@noru.ca.



Highlands Movie Night: **Buy Tickets by January 27th**

You know where your kids will want to be on Friday, February 3rd at 6:30pm - in the Highlands school gym watching The Lego Movie with their friends! Appropriate attire includes pajamas, and children can bring a pillow or a stuffie as well. Tickets are \$7 and include water, popcorn and a glow bracelet. There also will be goodies sold by the PAC so have your child bring a few extra dollars along as well. Ticket orders are due by January 27th and will be in your child's backpack, the lobby of the school, or [here](#).

Introducing our New HPAC Executive Co-Chair

Please give a warm welcome to our new HPAC Co-Chair, Karissa Rennie. Karissa is new to Highlands this year and has graciously jumped on board to assist us as Co-Chair. Karissa has a son Jackson in Grade One and her daughter Olivia will be joining Highlands in the fall. Thank you for volunteering Karissa and welcome to the Highlands PAC!

Also, the HPAC would like to extend a thank you to Ed Desaulniers, our outgoing HPAC Co-Chair, who served as Co-Chair for the last eighteen months.

Next HPAC Meeting: **February 7th**

The next HPAC meeting will be Tuesday, February 7th, 7:00pm in the library. Draft minutes from the December HPAC meeting are attached [here](#) for your review.



Talent Show: February 16th

The always amazing and super entertaining Annual Highlands Talent Show is just over a month away 7:00pm on Thursday February 16th! It will be held at the Blueshore Theatre at Capilano University, the same great location as the last two years. Just a reminder to save the date and look out for ticket as the show sells out every year! It's always a fabulous family night out. Tickets will go on sale January 30th, \$10 per adult and \$5 per student. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Clark (clarkamanda@shaw.ca), Angie Foulds (angiefoulds@shaw.ca), or Nikki Brown (nikilites@gmail.com).

Red Cross Babysitting Course: February 24th

So you want to be a babysitter? Or, your parents want you to take this course so they feel confident leaving you at home alone? Babysitting with First Aid Hero emphasizes learning through real life scenarios. Information covered includes; exploring the business of babysitting, creating safe environments, safely caring for ages 0 - 12, and first aid skills.

The course will be held February 24th, 8:30 - 3:30, and is for Grade 6 and above. Fee is \$60 plus GST. Register [here](#).

WOW Program

It was another beautiful morning yesterday for Walk or Wheel, and 168 Highlands students walked or wheeled on the snowy streets - way to go! The coveted Golden Sneaker was won by Ms. MacArthur's class (primaries) and Mrs. Fary's class (intermediates). Congratulations! Make sure to attach your WOW tag to your backpack and walk or wheel to school next Thursday to get in on the action!

In the Community...

Feel an 8.0 Earthquake - Are You Prepared? Montroyal School, January 18th, 3pm - 7pm

Montroyal School (5310 Sonora Drive) invites the North Shore to experience, learn and take action with an Emergency Preparedness day that includes an earthquake simulator, sale of emergency preparedness kits, and instructions on emergency planning. This is a free event but donations are appreciated to help with the simulator upkeep. Teachers, parents, and kids are all welcome to attend all or parts of the event. More information can be found [here](#), and check out the quake simulator [here](#).

Highlands Kids' Club Behavior Management Workshop: Feb. 7th - Mar. 7th

This five session program is designed for parents who have children with challenging behaviours and offers an effective way to reduce those behaviours. See the attached [Behavior](#) for more details and for registration information.

North Shore Arts Council Winter Art Classes for Kids

Does your child love art or would you like to introduce them to some different types of art? The North Shore Arts Council is offering classes in Watercolour, Drawing, as well as silk-screening T-Shirts to create unique, wearable pieces of art. Check out the classes and registration information [here](#).

Neighbourhood Speed Reduction Forum: January 26th, 6:30 - 9:00

Motor vehicle speed is one of the biggest factors in collisions with pedestrians and cyclists. It's also one of the reasons that people are afraid to walk and ride their bikes. The result? More driving. Come for this panel discussion on Neighbourhood Speed Reduction at North Vancouver District Municipal Hall, 355 West Queens Road. For more information and registration, click [here](#).
