

# West Sechelt Elementary Parents Advisory Council Newsletter

November 2011



## **Christmas Fair**

Our annual Christmas Fair will be held on **Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** There will be a variety of crafters and home businesses selling their wares, as well as a dessert bar and Kids Shopping Mall where kids can do their Christmas shopping and pick up a treasure for a bargain (all items under \$5). If you have any new or gently used items that you would like to donate to the shopping mall, please send them in with your child by November 25th. We are looking for items that can be given as gifts to all members of the family (siblings, mom, dad, grandma, etc.). We invite any crafters, bakers or entrepreneurs to book a table for the Christmas Fair for just \$15. If you would like a table, contact Allyson at 604-885-5563 or afawcus@dccnet.com.

## **Collectible Kids Artwork**

Just in time for Christmas, you can order great collectibles made from your kids' artwork or family photographs. Watch for details going home this week. All orders and artwork are due by Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **Book Bingo**

We took a break for a couple years, and now it is back! Our Book Bingo contest will run in November and March this year. Look for the bingo boards and entry forms which have been put up in the main hall, on your left as you walk toward Mr. Smith's classroom. There are two boards this year, one for Kindergarten to Grade 3 and one for Grades 4-7. Primary students need to read 5 books per entry and intermediate students need 5 chapters per entry. All entries need to be on the board by November 24<sup>th</sup> in time for the lunch hour draw! Winners will receive gift certificates for the Scholastic Book Fair in the library. Are you ready? On your mark...get set...READ!!



## **Grocery Tapes & Campbell's UPC Program**

Please remember to bring in your grocery receipts from Clayton's and IGA. The class who brings in the most by **December 9<sup>th</sup>** will win \$50 toward a class activity! Also, don't forget about the Campbell's UPC Program. Bring in the UPC codes from your Campbell's Products (not just soup!). For a full listing of eligible products, check our online documents at [www.wsespac.hotlunches.net](http://www.wsespac.hotlunches.net).



## **Christmas Family Dance**

This year we will be doing something a little different for our Christmas celebration. The school will not be holding a Christmas Concert due to the ongoing teacher's job action, so the PAC will be hosting a Christmas Family Dance on **Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**. The event will be free of charge, and we are asking parents to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Watch for more details in December, and get ready to boogie with Santa!

## **AVIVA Community Fund**

Don't forget to vote online! We have entered a contest to win \$150,000 for a new accessible playground for our school. Go to [www.avivacomunityfund.org](http://www.avivacomunityfund.org) to register. Search for idea # 11645 and vote for "Coastal Inclusion". We need your help, don't forget to vote every day! Or, if you support us but don't have time to vote – register with the password "playground" and then email us at [wsespac@telus.net](mailto:wsespac@telus.net). We have volunteers who have kindly offered to vote on your behalf.

## **Family Portraits**

Thank you to Genevieve Pierre for organizing the Family Portrait day! If you missed it, we will be offering portraits again next year.



### **Coffee Sale**

We will be offering our annual gourmet coffee sale in time for Christmas this year. All coffee is free trade, organic, roasted and packaged locally. Please watch for order forms which will be sent out November 21<sup>st</sup> and due back December 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can order just for yourself, or sell to friends and neighbours too. Prizes will be awarded to our top 3 sellers!

### **Gingerbread Houses**

We regret to inform you that our Gingerbread House sale has been cancelled. Unfortunately we were recently informed that the woman who runs this business is no longer able to fill our order due to illness. All orders submitted to the school have been returned with your payments. If you ordered online, you should receive your refund within the next week. If you do not receive it by November 15<sup>th</sup>, please email [wsespac@telus.net](mailto:wsespac@telus.net).



### **Hot Lunch**

Congratulations to **Rachel Fuhrmann** in Mrs. Reid's class, she was the winner of our online ordering draw and will receive free hot lunches for the month of January! Approximately 75% of our orders are now being placed online 😊

January hot lunch order forms will be distributed in early December and will be due on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. We've tried a few new meals lately, if you have any suggestions or comments please send them to [wsespac@telus.net](mailto:wsespac@telus.net).

**Next P.A.C. Meeting: 6:30-8:00pm on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

Please come out and join us, we'd love to see you at a meeting and hear your ideas!!  
(Babysitting provided in the gym)