

SUMMER 2018 GLENWOOD PAC NEWSLETTER

THANK YOU

I want to thank Mr. LaPlante, teachers and staff at Glenwood school for their amazing efforts this year. Last week I attended a conference and I met a woman who has worked at educational institutions all over the world. As we sat and talked she described the unique and welcoming experience she and her children had upon their recent move to the lower mainland. She told me that she had never before seen newcomers – refugees, international students, and recent immigrants – so warmly welcomed and embraced by a school community. Even before she told me where she and her family lived, I knew she was describing her family's experience at a south Burnaby school. While I don't want to diminish difficult experiences or gloss over ongoing challenges felt by many in our community, I do want to recognize our incredible staff and community.

I speak for the PAC Executive when I express my appreciation that our children go to a school and live in a community where inclusion, understanding, openness, authenticity, and diversity are valued and practiced. We look forward to 2018/2019 when efforts such as Indigenization, internationalization, and SOGI as well as innovative teaching practices will continue to transform our children's learning experiences and positively impact our entire community.

-Briana
Co-Chair

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to all the parents, grandparents, family, friends and neighbours who helped with all of the PAC events and fundraising initiatives over the school year. In particular, we would like to acknowledge the volunteers who took on a leadership role by coordinating one or more of our committees as well as our PAC Executive members.

YARD SALE FUNDRAISER

Save your unwanted household items this summer! The PAC will be hosting the second annual Glenwood Community Yard Sale in September. The exact date has yet to be decided, but it will likely be held on a Saturday in mid-September.

More details to follow later in the summer, so check your email. In the meantime, if you have any questions about the sale or would like to volunteer, please email Briana (briana.fraser@gmail.com)

WELCOME-BACK TEA

Our annual welcome-back tea will be held on September 4th, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the school gym, while the children attend school for one hour.

All parents/guardians and siblings are invited to join us for tea, coffee, and snacks during the hour Glenwood students attend class.

This will be a chance to meet new parents, get caught up, and find out more about the what the PAC does and how you can get involved.

Kindergarten children don't start school until later in the week, but all families are welcome to attend.

2018/19 PAC EXECUTIVE

Abby Wadley – Co-chair

Laurie Lemanski - Secretary

Briana Fraser – Co-Chair

Sylvia Baban - DPAC rep

Tasha Murray – Vice chair

Gwen Simcoe - DPAC rep

Marion Gennaro - Treasurer

The fundraising chair position is still vacant.

Please consider volunteering for one of our committees next year. Much of the committee work requires only a small commitment of time and can be done outside of school hours. Information about the various committees needing volunteers will be available at the welcome back tea.

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

Our ongoing fundraisers will continue throughout the summer.

Please consider supporting the following ongoing Glenwood Elementary fundraising initiatives:

LEE'S BOTTLE DEPOT

This fundraiser costs you nothing!

Recycling funds from refundable containers is one of our top fundraisers. Bag your bottles, cans, and other refundable containers and drop them in the Glenwood Bin at Lee's at 7385 Buller Ave, Burnaby. You don't even have to sort your items! Glenwood receives 112% of the value of your returnables. Spread the word to your neighbours, friends, and family!

OLIVER'S LABELS

Oliver's Labels is a great source for durable personalized labels and tags. Find labels and tags for almost anything a kid can lose, throw or leave behind! Luggage tags, wall décor and other items are also available. Families who have made purchases so far are very pleased with the products! Use the Glenwood link (<http://www.oliverslabels.com/GlenwoodPAC>) and 20% of your purchase will support our school.

COBS BREADS

Each time you buy baked goods at COBS Breads at Market Crossing, mention you're raising dough for Glenwood Elementary and 10 percent of your purchase will be donated to our school.

QSP

Purchase your magazine through QSP subscriptions and Glenwood earns 37% of your order. Visit www.qsp.ca to register and shop. Glenwood's ID number is 3744828.

BOSTON PIZZA

If you eat in at the Big Bend Crossing location of Boston Pizza, write Glenwood Elementary on the back of your receipt and put it in the box at the front. Boston Pizza will donate 10% of your bill to the school.

CONTACT US

Contact the Glenwood PAC anytime at glenwood.PAC@burnabyschools.ca. Watch for details about PAC news, events, meetings and more through the school's e-mail notification system, the school website (glenwood.sd41.bc.ca/) and on the bulletin board at the school entrance.

We also have a PAC Facebook Group to help keep our parent community up to date on PAC and school events! It's called Glenwood Elementary School PAC; we hope you join!