

Randerson Ridge PAC News

Hello Everyone,

The school year is well underway and your PAC team has been working hard! Elections were held at the first meeting of the school year and here is a reminder of who is on the executive:

Bryan Leach – President

Kelly Tilsner – Vice-President

Jenn Sinclair – Treasurer

Mandy Brown – Secretary

The 28th annual Craft Fair is quickly approaching (November 23 & 24) and volunteers are still needed. Please consider helping out for a 2 hour shift, especially on the morning of the 24th. Sign up at <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2476754/false#/invitation> Contact Debbie at 250-802-4202 if you have any questions. Baking donations are also being asked for and can be dropped off at Randerson Ridge in the Music room on the morning of Nov 23. Items should be packaged in small quantities or individually wrapped.

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to the raffle baskets. We had a tremendous response! If anyone has an employer or family/friends that would still like to contribute, a letter is available. Please drop off items in the school office by Thursday, Nov 15th.

We are also running a holiday fundraiser using Purdy's Chocolates, Happy Hippo Bath Co. gift sets and Poinsettias/Wreaths. Catalogues and order forms have been sent home with your children. Order deadline for all products is November 21 with pick up on December 6 & 7 at the school after dismissal.

The Craft Fair and the holiday fundraiser are two of our largest sources of revenue and the money raised is used to fund things like technology, playground and Phys. Ed equipment, fine arts sessions and various parent presentations that the school may not have otherwise. We have recently been able to purchase 30 Chromebooks from the monies raised last year! Please consider continuing to help by attending and volunteering for the craft fair and purchasing some of the other products available.

We have also secured a last minute fundraiser at Chapters Woodgrove on Thursday, Nov 15/18. If you shop there between 1-3 or 7-9, there will be a table set up to register and 20% of your purchases will be given to the school in the form of a gift card!

There is also an ongoing account at Cobbs Bread (either location) where if you mention Randerson Ridge when paying, they give a percentage to the school at the end of the year.

The Munch a Lunch program has been very successful so far this year. Please look for the notice in December to order for the next session, which will run from January 18 to March 15, 2019.

The PAC team has been up to more than just planning and fundraising. The earthquake kiosk at the school has had the water tank cleaned and refilled, expired items removed and we are in the process of replacing anything that needed to be (either expired products or moisture damaged items). The grounds behind the fence were cleaned up and remnants of a “camp” removed as well. We will be looking at doing other clean-up projects in the future.

Did you know that there is a Facebook page for Randerson Ridge? A lot of PAC information as well as the information Mr. Brick sends out gets posted and discussed here. It is a great way to find out what’s going on at the school, make suggestions and see what volunteer opportunities may be available. The page is Randerson Ridge Elementary (Nanaimo) Family & Friends. Ask to be added to the group!

Our next meeting will be held December 3, 2018 at 7 pm in the library. Hope to see you there!

Thanks from the PAC Team!