



**ÉCOLE
CHRISTINE MORRISON
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

October 4, 2011

PAC NEWS

Concession Program

If you haven't done so already, we encourage ALL families to register for the online hotlunch concession Program. This is our way to keep families up to date on activities, PAC news, fieldtrip info, fundraisers etc. Each family need only register once per school year.

Visit www.cm.hotlunches.net
select "REGISTER"
enter CODE "CM2012HL"

Fill in the rest of the information requested. Finally add your own students and you are ready to place orders and be kept informed. If you do not have access to a computer we are more than happy to provide access to a laptop during school hours. PAPER order forms will NO longer be sent home, instead parents or children may P/U a copy on the 13th of EVERY month unless notified of special circumstances. Online order cut off is the 20th of every month AND orders are always due with Payment by the 23rd of every month, or the school day before should the 23rd fall on a non instructional day. Due to the Teachers Job Action we would highly recommend that payment be made by CHEQUE and be hand delivered to concession or placed in the PAC mail slot located on the Concession door as teachers are not permitted to handle payments and order forms from parents/students.

Little Readers

Little Readers will be running every Friday starting Oct 7th in the School Library at 8:30 for about an hour. We will read a book and create a fun craft. This is a free program run by parent volunteers aimed to help 3 & 4 year olds get comfortable with the school they will attend in Kindergarten and at the same time meet friends which may be in their class that special first year.

FORD Drive 4U

All Day **FREE** fundraising Event
FORD Drive 4U is coming to Christine Morrison

**Saturday October 29
9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

Volunteers needed for set up and support. Join us for short time blocks or all day.

- BBQ grilling hotdogs
- Facepainting
- Child minding
- Driver chaperones to go on each test drive

Take a free test drive and FORD will donate \$20 for each test drive to our school. There is no cost to you! The more people who drive the more we will earn for our school. You do the math and YOU have the fun

Invite your friends to come too! Do not need to be part of the school to participate. Find the event on our Facebook page under: École Christine Morrison Elementary

Also available to help in the fundraising efforts that day: BBQ and professional Halloween makeup



Next PAC Meeting

New DATE!
So you can go to
FREE DPAC
Parenting EVENT
Oct 13th

Kid's Welcome!
Let us know and we'll arrange child minding

Thursday October 20th, 7:00 pm

We welcome all to attend and to join any of our several committees that help make our school special **"ALL WELCOME"**

get PAC NEWS and communications via email. Send request to PAC email: CMPAC@live.com

Parenting Presentation

Mission DPAC presents 'Managing Conflict with Your Child's Brain in Mind'
Presented by Raj Dhasi
Thursday Oct 13th 7 pm Clarke Theatre

ARE YOUR KIDS DRIVING YOU CRAZY?

Come hear Raj Dhasi explain how a child's and teenager's brain develops and why they can drive us to the edge of insanity. Raj is a humorous and gifted communicator who specializes in conflict management and Neuroscience. She will explain skills and strategies to help you set boundaries, build your connection with your child, and keep your sanity. It is a free workshop open to all parents in the Mission School District.

Popcorn Days

Concession is looking for volunteers to pop the popcorn for popcorn days. These days will be scheduled on a Wednesday, starting at 7am in the morning till 11. Email CMPAC@live.com if you can help. Specific dates TBD.

Lice Checks

We will be doing lice checks starting **October 24 through to the 28th** but it is highly recommended that parents check their kids at home at least monthly. With over 450 students any parent helpers would be much appreciated for an hour, day or the whole week. With enough help we could potentially get the school done in 2-3 days. If you have questions about helping or how to check your own child's head or how to deal with a lice problem in your home, you can contact Karen Skraban @ 604-825-3110. You can sign up outside concession. We will meet at 8:30 am in the foyer of the school or find Karen & any volunteers in the hallway and we will get you set up.

Coming Up:

QSP & Winter Wonderland fundraising catalogues will be going home with your child just before Thanksgiving. Orders are due by October 24th.

Our first **Movie Night** will be on Friday November 18th, at the school gym from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Families and friends are welcome. Details will follow.

Fundraising

Please send the completed order form, art work and payment (cheque/cash payable to Christine Morrison PAC) by **Wednesday October 12**

If you are not able to complete the artwork at home with your child PAC will be supervising colouring sessions during lunch

time in the schools lobby, the final one is Tuesday October 11.



Recycling

Encorp Recycle Program will give our school prizes if you hand in your completed original receipt from returning your recycling. Receipt must be original and include the number of containers returned. Submit to PAC Concession. The two locations eligible for this program are:

1. **Mission Recycling Centre**
7260 Park Street (by Esso)
2. **Mission Recycling Depot**
7229 Mershon St. (by train station)

Parent Rep

In an effort to streamline communication at our school we'd like to have one parent for every class be a representative for ensuring PAC information is efficiently shared with as many parents as possible. We don't have everyone's email address yet, and some things are better received and discussed in person. If you are generally at your child's classroom, in the school, or willing to collect all the parent's email addresses for your class, please contact a PAC member or email us at CMPAC@live.com. Provide your contact information and which class you would be willing to represent. Thank you so much!

Be Heard

To help BCCPAC better understand how teacher job action is affecting your children we ask that you share your stories by e-mailing your input to

Memberviews@bccpac.bc.ca

Please use the subject line "teacher job action" and indicate your school district."