



PAC Newsletter • July 2019

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SPECIAL SUMMER UPDATE

After 3 years of planning and a fundraising campaign that raised **\$100,000**, we are thrilled to announce that **Phase 1 of our Playground Replacement Project was successfully installed** by our *fantastic* group of parent and teacher volunteers on July 27th! The playground is wheelchair accessible, and includes design elements voted on by the students of Peace Arch Elementary.

There are a few finishing touches still to be completed on the playground:

- Completion of the wheelchair access ramp
- Final inspection by the Surrey School District
- Installation of the playground donor Recognition Plaque

Once the wheelchair ramp and final inspection are complete, fencing around the playground will be removed, and it will be open for business! It could be a few more weeks, but we expect it will be ready in time for the first day of school on Sept. 3rd. The Donor Recognition Plaque design is being finalized, and will be installed in time for the playground's Grand Opening Ceremony early this fall. THANK YOU again to everyone who made this playground project happen. Special thanks to Playground Committee parent volunteers **Sean Halliburton, Laura Creech, & Kristen Fryer** for their hard work over the past 3 years. And to our Peace Arch families who donated to, designed, and ultimately built the playground – we couldn't have done this without you!

Please join us in the school courtyard on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 3rd, for Welcome Back Coffee & Treats for parents! **We want to hear your ideas for planning our Playground Grand Opening Ceremony.** Ribbon cutting? Cake? Can anyone track down a pair of novelty MEGA scissors for the ribbon cutting? Much planning to be done!

Enjoy the second half of summer, and please keep reading for a BIG ANNOUNCEMENT from the **Rotary Club of White Rock** about funding for Phase 2 of our Playground Replacement project...!!

Your 2019-2020 PAC Executive Team,

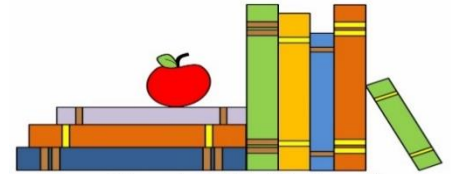
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Important Dates



Back To School

Tuesday, September 3rd

First Day of School, 10-11:00am & Welcome Back Coffee for Parents Hosted by PAC

Tuesday, September 17th

First **PAC Meeting** of the year, 6:30-8:00pm in the Library

Monday, September 30th

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Thursday, October 3rd

Class Photo Day

Sunday, October 6th

Rotary's Brand New Turkey Run/Walk Playground Fundraiser

Monday, October 14th

Thanksgiving Day (no school)

Friday, October 25th

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Friday, November 8th

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Monday, November 11th

Remembrance Day (no school)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

2019-20 School Supply lists for each grade are available on the school's website [HERE](#).

SchoolStart.ca offers complete kits of school supplies for Peace Arch students, delivered to your home:

<https://schoolstart.ca/school/357>



HUGE THANKS to the 35 parent & teacher volunteers who installed the playground last Saturday!

Joyce Ahonen

Neil Atkin

Kate & Stewart A.

Gurpreet & Mukesh Bhatti

Aman Cheema

Reid Christiansen

Chris Coleman

Christopher Corbett

Andy & Laura Creech

Christopher Finlay

Darren Fraser

Kristen & Toby Fryer

Ravi Jaswal

Gerald & Tana Jennings

Amy Lapointe

Rafael Martins

Elizabeth McCrank

Jason McIvor

Kevin McLaughlin

Tanner Northrup

Brian Oger

Harvey Quan

Sara Raouf

Satvinder Sandhu

Andrew Shook

Jennifer & Perry Smith

Valerie Smith

Adam Van Staveren

Nico Verrier

Tom Wellard

By volunteering their time and assisting with the Community Installation of the playground, these amazing parents (and Mme. Ahonen, in the middle of her summer break!) saved our PAC over \$8,500 which instead can be spent next year on our school and our kids! **THANK YOU!!**







Special thanks to Peace Arch Elementary's **Harvester Family**, and their company **Apple Security** for providing overnight security for the Playground Installation!



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BIG NEWS

On July 31st, the [Rotary Club of White Rock](#), in conjunction with Sources and the City of White Rock, announced a fundraising campaign to **FULLY FUND Phase 2 of our Playground replacement** along with new equipment for White Rock Elementary!

ROTARY CLUB OF WHITE ROCK

\$150,000 Fund Raising project

For

Playgrounds of White Rock & Peace Arch Elementary Schools

Your tax deductible donations are welcome

Please visit

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ROTARY CLUB OF WHITE ROCK

in association with Sources Foundation
announces

**The Brand New Great Turkey Run/Walk
Sunday October 6, 2019**

Proceeds go to redevelopment of White Rock
& Peace Arch Elementary School Playgrounds

For registration & details please visit www.whiterockrotary.org



Sponsor: **WHITE ROCK**
City by the Sea!

Phase 2 will see the replacement of the green & blue 'intermediate' section of the playground, in the north-east corner of the school property, pictured below.

Stay tuned for more details in September!

THANK YOU Rotary Club of White Rock!

