

PAC UPDATE



AT HOME EDITION!!!

Such an Opportunity!

With everyone being at home, PAC was concerned you might miss us too much...

So you asked*
And we answered!

A PAC NEWSLETTER!!!

** Please note...no one "technically" asked...but I know you were all sitting around missing us going "I really wish I had a PAC Update to read!"*

PAC Path Forward

As we celebrate our new day to day lifestyle, PAC will jump on board as well!

While we are not physically at school, Volunteer PAC Executives are continuing to be in contact and updated with:

- Each other! (and Parents & Guardians)
- School Administration
- DPAC (District PAC)
- BCCPAC (British Columbia Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils)

Please review the "New Year – New Communications Strategy" below. **The best way to contact your SES PAC volunteers, while not bumping into them at school, is to email us at springwoodpac@gmail.com**

...This email address is monitored...as often as we need a good excuse to sneak away from the kids doing school work at the kitchen table!



Please note, SES PAC does not have a Facebook account, and we do not monitor Facebook, Twitter or Instagram accounts.

Hot Lunch

PAC Executives have been in contact with the School Administration and MunchaLunch Administrators and we have decided to CANCEL all Hot Lunch Orders for the 2019\20 school year and CREDIT all the SES accounts. As MunchaLunch does not keep Credit Card numbers on file, we cannot refund through MunchaLunch.

Your options for the Hot Lunch refund are as follows:

- **OPTION 1 - "Roll Over" the Credit to the 2020\21 School Year**
 - You do not need to contact PAC. This is the *default option* that will be applied to all accounts, unless SES PAC is otherwise contacted with another option.
 - If you have a grade 7 student leaving SES, but other children still at SES, the "grade 7's credit" will automatically be applied to a sibling at SES.
 - This option supports Social Distancing guidelines.

- **OPTION 2 - "Donate" the Credit to a student, to be used in the 2020\21 School Year**
 - Contact PAC, as indicated below, and let them know you have chosen this option.
 - This will be an anonymous donation. PAC Executive will work with School Administration to ensure your donation goes to a student who, would not otherwise, be able to participate in Hot Lunch.
 - If you have a grade 7 student leaving SES, and no other students at SES, you may still choose to donate your "grade 7's credit"
 - This option supports Social Distancing guidelines.

- **OPTION 3 - "Cheque Refund" will result in a paper Cheque being mailed to you by the end of April**
 - Contact PAC, as indicated below, and let them know you have chosen this option.
 - If you have a grade 7 student leaving SES, and no other students at SES and you wish to not donate the money, you would choose this option.
 - This option does not support Social Distancing guidelines and will be performed as long as PAC Executives and School Administration can carry out all tasks safely. (All SES PAC Cheques require 2 Executive Member signatures. PAC will then work with the School to obtain envelopes, stamps and mailing addresses to complete the mail out process).

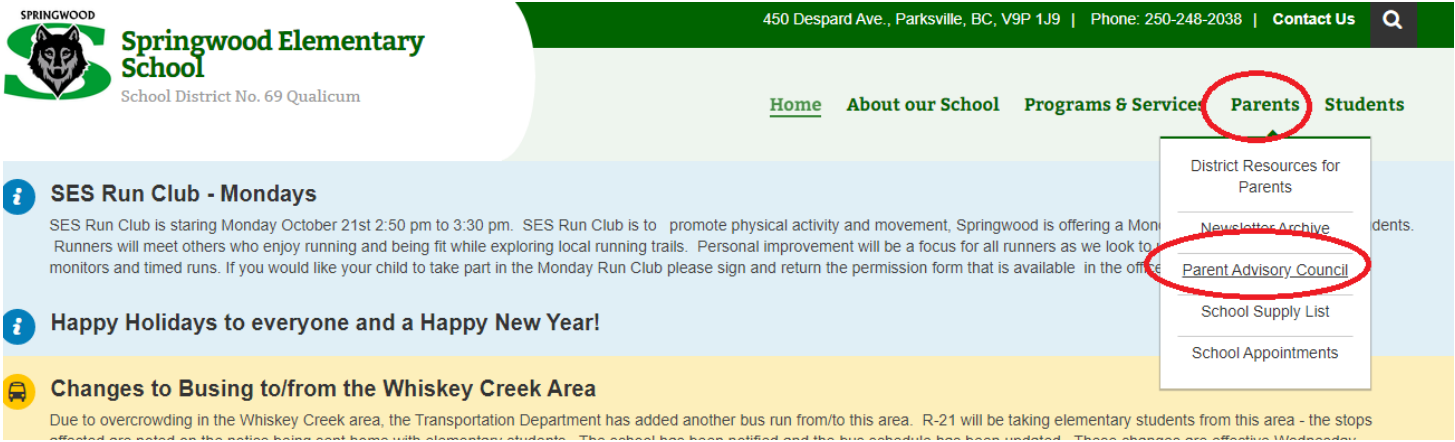
What actions are required, by you, by Friday, April 10th at 3pm?:

1. Log into MunchaLunch: <https://munchalunch.com/> and see what your credit amount is.
2. Decide which Option (Option 1, 2 or 3 as detailed above) you would like.
 - If you choose Option 1: No further action is required by you.
 - If you choose Option 2 or 3: Please email springwoodpac@gmail.com and advise us of the option you chose.

New Year – New Communication Strategy

To keep in line with how the School District communicates via the School Websites, Newsletters & Bulletin Boards. SES PAC has chosen to support the same communication strategy. The www.springwoodpac.com website has been retired (graduated early!!) and all SES PAC communications will be via:

A: School Website



B: Newsletters or Emails



C: SES PAC Bulletin Board – Check it out in the school foyer!

We hope you find this new streamlined and consistent communication helpful. PAC is always an email away for questions and inquiry's: www.springwoodpac@gmail.com

Creating opportunities to GIVE

One goal of PAC is to help create Community at schools. At SES we have a couple ways families can give and give back!

While everyone is at home more – we invite you to use this time to put aside any items that you find the kids have outgrown or no longer playing with. When we all get back together at school, contact PAC and let us know you have some items to donate.




Do you have a:
Bike? Helmet? Scooter?
 That has been outgrown or not being used?

SES is looking to [cross our fingers] start an official Bike Club one day. In the meantime, we are collecting used bikes to be used in the weekly mini exploratory that grade 3, 4 ,5’s participate in. If your child has outgrown their old bike and possibly getting a new one at Christmas, please consider donating their old bike, helmet or scooter to Springwood! For safety, bikes should be in operational condition.


Email PAC springwoodpac@gmail.com if you have an item to donate and we will contact you and help coordinate the logistics of the donation.

Do you have any:
Boardgames? Play sets? Building Blocks?
 That have been outgrown or not being used?

Teachers, Learning Services, Mini Exploratories and Lunchtime Clubs are always looking for boardgames, chess sets, Little People play sets. If your family has outgrown any items and you are about to take them to the SOS, check with your child’s teachers, the office or email PAC to see if anyone could use the items.

If you are trying to get rid of an unused playset or item...and the kids are trying to convince you they still play with it....which they did for 5 minutes last Christmas... When you say you are donating it to the school -so it will always be there and continue to make future Springwood kids happy and learn – they tend to part with the items easier and with pride!



Do you have any:
Old / Dead Felt Pens?

Drop off dead felt pens off in the box in the school foyer under the PAC Bulletin board outside the MPR. SES PAC collects the felt pens all year and sends them to Crayola to get recycled! Check out <https://www.crayola.com/colorcycle>

Next PAC Meeting & Elections

Stay tuned to the school newsletter and emails to see *when...where...if... WHY???* PAC will organize upcoming meetings and elections.



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