



Nov 20-Dec 1, 2023

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PEARSON ROAD

Principal's Message:

I can hardly believe that this newsletter brings us into December! While we are so happy to see all of our Pearson Panthers donning their beautiful, new winter coats, it is hard to believe we already need them. Time flies when you are having fun!

December notoriously passes in the blink of an eye with all the joyful learning and fun events. Please keep a close eye on our [School Website/Calendar](#) to stay up to date with special events. Of note, we will hold our Annual Winter Concert on Thursday, December 21st from 6pm -7pm in our school gymnasium. As our population continues to grow, we wanted to proactively invite immediate family members only. We simply won't have space for friends and extended family.

'Tis the season to be... sick, it seems. Please be mindful of your child's health and keep them home if they are unwell. If we all do our part we can keep sickness to a minimum. Your support on this is greatly appreciated.

Informational items:

- With Winter here to stay we have two really important requests. Firstly, please ensure that your student(s) have appropriate winter gear (boots, socks, snow pants, coats, gloves and toque). Should you need help with winter clothing please let me know as we have secured a number of donated and new items.
- NO STUDENT PICK UP IN PARKING LOT at the end of the day, PLEASE! Parents are not to park in the parking lot at pickup time or pull in for any reason. Please help us avoid awkward conversations reminding you of this in the next few weeks. Please create a meeting spot off property and/or walk-in. This is a staff and student safety issue.
- Parents are required to notify the school, through the School Messenger App, of absences or lates. Letting the classroom teacher know is not sufficient and not reliable. Teachers will not be able to report absences on your behalf. Please do your best to have students here by 8:25am when the bell goes.
- While we acknowledge the valuable experiences that travel can bring to your families, we want to be sure that our families understand that extended family vacations can be complicated for several reasons. Students will miss valuable learning that teachers cannot replicate for you. Should you be considering an *extended* family vacation please speak with Mrs. Ferguson.

Sincerely, Mrs. Nina Ferguson

Monday, Nov 20	Tuesday, Nov 21	Wed, Nov 22	Thursday, Nov 23	Friday, Nov 24
PAC Meeting 5:30pm			Cultural Assembly 8:45am	Spirit Day - Silly Socks Last day PAC Purdy's Fundraiser Orders
Monday, Nov 27	Tuesday, Nov 28	Wed, Nov 29	Thursday, Nov 30	Friday, Dec 1
				It's December!



Important Dates to Remember:

Book Fair in Gathering Room	Dec 4-8
PAC Winter Movie Night	Dec 18
Report Cards go home	Dec 21
Winter Concert 6-7pm	Dec 21
Pancake Breakfast	Dec 22



Copies of School Newsletter: "What's Happening at Pearson Road" can be found on our school website under the Parents tab > [School News](#)





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SCHOOL ABSENCES and COMMUNICATION:

Please make sure you have signed up with SchoolMessenger to report all lates, absences and early departures. You are required to inform the school when your child will be absent from school. This app makes that reporting very easy for you.

SchoolMessenger App

SchoolMessenger



SchoolMessenger is also how the school communicates with you! If there are any issues with you not receiving messaging please contact us as there may be an issue with the email address we have on file for you.



Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program

Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program is now open for any parents who wish to order for lunches their student(s).

Parents must create an account on the MunchaLunch website. Ordering and payments are managed through Munchalunch. ALL ORDERS AND PAYMENTS MUST BE DONE ONLINE. We cannot be accept cash or cheque payments at the school. Munchalunch Website

This program is run by the Pearson PAC, all questions should be directed to pse.pac@sd23.bc.ca

SEL CORNER:

Honouring Special Events in our Community

It seems like there's always some special event that our Pearson Road community is celebrating. This November we have celebrated Diwali and Harmony Day and marked Remembrance Day together. Celebrating, or honouring, special events together has many benefits. It keeps connections between the generations alive, brings people from different backgrounds together, strengthens ties in communities and heals and rebuilds relationships.

Pearson Road is a wonderfully culturally diverse community. In fact, between staff and students, we have Pearson Panthers who are born in 25 different countries, not including Canada! No wonder the staff and students from Pearson Road love to celebrate and honour special days and events from many other countries and cultures.

At a time in the world when differences are pulling people and countries apart, the differences at Pearson Road are helping us come together in unity, learn about each other, and celebrate our common bond as Pearson Panthers.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at Maegan.church@sd23.bc.ca

Sincerely,
Ms. Church (Social Emotional Learning teacher)





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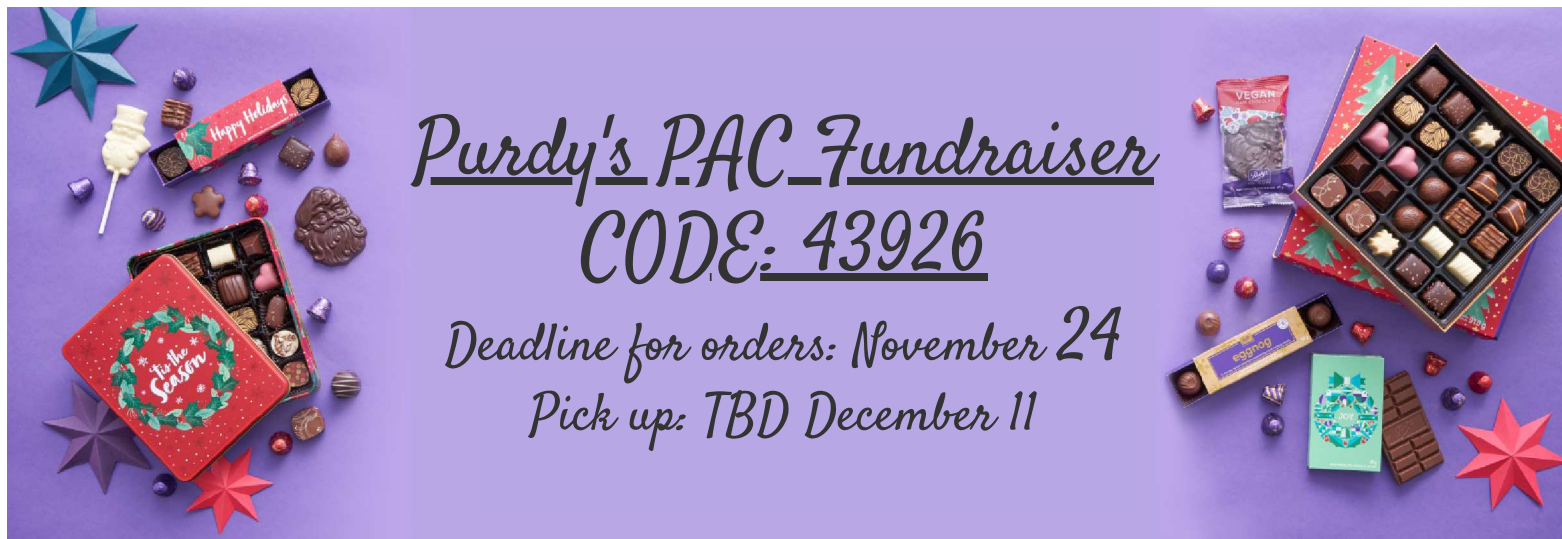
PAC PAGE

Upcoming PAC Dates:

Sat, Nov 18, 10am-4pm: Holiday Craft Market in the gym (see poster attached)
Mon, Nov 20, 5:30pm: PAC Meeting in the library
Wed Nov 24: Purdy's Fundraiser order deadline - Ordering information sent home
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Mon Dec 18 - PAC Winter Movie night - 5-7pm school gym (parents must attend)
Mon Dec 18 - PAC Meeting 5:30pm - School Library.



*More information to come on these special events and fundraisers.



Purdy's PAC Fundraiser
CODE: 43926
Deadline for orders: November 24
Pick up: TBD December 11

GOT EMPTIES?

BOTTLE DRIVE

FUNDRAISING



Bring your empty beverage bottles, cans and containers to Columbia Bottle Depots, 680 Dease Rd. and donate your refund directly to our school PAC! Donate your empties regularly; we are accepting donations ALL YEAR LONG!!



Direct your refund to our account #, the school phone number:

250-870-5118

All funds raised help with field trips, supplies, sports, bussing and more!! Tell all your friends and family!!! (Please have all empties in CLEAR bags)

If you would like to donate your empties but are unable to drop them off, please email us at pse.pac.president@sd23.bc.ca and we can arrange a pick up time!

PSE PAC

Pse.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca

[PSE PAC Website Link](#)



**PSE PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)
INVITES YOU TO GET INVOLVED!**

ONE SHORT MEETING PER MONTH

We support our students with:

- Field Trips
- Fun Days
- Student Celebrations
- New Playground Equipment
- Classroom Enhancements

Why participate?

- Have input in how we support our kids and their school.
- Our efforts go directly to our kids!
- Without adequate PAC members we will NOT receive the funding available.
- It is less than 1 hour per month
- EVERYONE is welcome!



PEARSON ROAD ELEMENTARY

Holiday MARKET

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Saturday November 18th 2023
10:00 AM- 4:00 PM

****VENDORS NEEDED****

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TABLES RESERVED FOR PSE PARENT
ENTREPRENEURS FIRST!
LET'S BUILD UP OUR COMMUNITY!

\$40.00/TABLE BENEFITING THE PAC
PAC FUNDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY TO OUR
STUDENTS EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

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APPLY HERE

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe
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dXm-M6ja0Q/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe
pTegpVUdeDhxN4XaDDXpzM11VKQsHeenHatT
dXm-M6ja0Q/viewform?usp=sharing)

Applications are due by October 20th

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First come First Served
Don't delay, book your table today!

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT OUR TREASURER.
JORDINKUTT@HOTMAIL.COM



Winter Health Workshop



Join: UBC-O 4th year nursing students for a welcoming and educational workshop! Learn more about winter health topics including caring for yourself and your children during the flu season, and accessing Canadian healthcare services. All are welcome and bring your children for fun activities, Drinks, treats and Prizes will be available!

Wednesday 22th of November @ 9:30 - 12:30 pm
@ Family Hub 700 Pearson Rd

To register, send an email to ruba@cofh.ca or 250 - 826-6264



www.cofh.ca
info@cofh.ca
250-826-6264



Check out The Hub at Pearson Road online at: <https://kcr.ca/family-services/cofh-kelowna/>

The screenshot shows the website for the Central Okanagan Family Hub. The header includes the KCR logo, contact information (1(250)763-8008, info@kcr.ca), and navigation links (Home, Community, Family & Adoption, Immigrant, Employment, About KCR, Adoption Centre of BC). A search bar and a 'Donate Now' button are also present. The main content area features a large 'Family Hub' logo and three photographs of children. The text 'Central Okanagan Family Hub – Kelowna' is overlaid on the images. At the bottom, there is a search bar, a 'Follow the Family Hub' link, an 'About' section describing the hub as a one-stop shop for family support, and a 'Translate' button.



Operation Warm: Coats for Kids

♥♥ Pearson Road Panthers are so GRATEFUL ♥♥

