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SWC PAC Meeting

Tuesday, November 28, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

AGENDA

7:00 pm Welcome by Helen

7:05 pm Student Update (Mr. Bradley Hoy and Mr. Patrick Lee)
Grant Pan - Stitch by Stitch fundraiser on Dec. 21st, concert at 7:30 pm, entrance by donation. Good music, fun. To destigmatize and raise awareness about the issue of homelessness in BC. Students make scarves and donate to homeless shelters. To help at fundraiser or buy tickets, contact: stitchbystitch.team@gmail.com

Bradley Hoy -

Oct 26 - Halloween Dance close to 500 students, staff chaperoned, with security, no issues.

Nov - SPC card sale - hundreds of retailers. \$10 each. Student Council receives small percent of profit margin for Student Council events.

Nov 20 - Canley Cup campaign till end of winter break - Students asked to bring in monetary donations and cans. Incentive to winning class with pizza prize. 52,000 cans last year.

7:10 pm Faculty Update (Mr. Alan Pronger)

Dec 8 - Report cards for Term 1.

Languages Dept - Student Exchange programs- Quebec, France, Belgium for French Immersion students.

Athletics Dept - Bantam Girls Volleyball, City Champions. Interest in being a Coach or co-coach for spring term? Track and field, badminton, softball, rugby, soccer, tennis, volleyball, ultimate frisbee, etc., please contact Athletics - Mr. Chan

Dec. 13 and 14 - Junior and Senior Winter concerts

Dec 22 - Winter Assembly - bands, dancers

7:15 pm Guest Speaker

Ms. Alexandra Wilson, SACY (School Age Children and Youth)

Presentation about: "Social and Emotional Development in Teens". 3 ideas:

- Support safe opportunities for learning
- Set limits on important things
- Support their interests. Encourage 3 healthy things that are not online, not digital to help de-stress and that can make them feel happy.

SACY Churchill Youth Worker - Ted, office with the councillors.
SACY offers:

- STEP (SACY Teen Engagement Program) a 3-day program for students re: social and emotional development - activities about values, setting boundaries, healthy decision, critical thinking, risk assessment.
- STEP Knowledge Builders program - those who want to be leaders
- Students and family workshops - throughout the year.
 - Dec. 7 "Building Bridges with your Teen" workshop (parenting through grade 8 and beyond) 6:45 pm at Churchill cafeteria. PowerPoint in English and simplified Chinese. Mandarin Workshop in April at other locations.

8:00 pm Principal's Report (Mr. Andrew Humphries for Mr. Kevin Land)
12 weeks of school year
Nov 10 - Pro D Day
Oct 26 - Halloween Dance - well
Grade 8s visited Water mania
Nov. 1 - Grade 9s Take our Kids to work day
Auditions - 5 teams started rehearsing for February shows
Nov 9 - Remembrance Day ceremonies - dance and music groups
SFU, UT presentations- applications
12 UBC student teachers recently.
Nov 15 - New block rotation started
Nov 22 - Screenagers (organized by PAC), more than 300 attended

Upcoming:

Nov. 30 - end of Term 1
Dec 1 - Pro D Day
Dec 8 - Term 1 Report cards on family portal
Athletics team successes- fall season almost complete. Grades 8-12
Cross Country, Swimming, Volleyball, Soccer (Silver), Field Hockey
City Champions, Basketball to start soon.
Dec 22 - Winter Assembly with early dismissal.

Early November - information sessions for planned temporary modular housing at 59th and Heather. Mr. Humphries reminds students to be open and respectful of others' opinions. Students to remember that they are speaking on behalf of themselves, but not for Churchill.

Parents signatures were collected by a parent for a petition - concern for potential risk and safety of children.

VSB has asked Churchill not to be involved, to be neutral, not to take a side as there are varying opinions.

Letter to Marpole community from Gil Kelley, General Manager of Planning City of Vancouver - to form a Community Advisory Committee with PAC representatives from Laurier, Ideal Mini, Churchill.

Lily Li - not enough opportunities to talk to VSB, the City and the school. A lot of voices have not been heard, a lot of concerns have not been taken into.

PAC is separate from the school. How does PAC represent the parents? How do we gauge student population and parents' thoughts and feelings? PAC should play leading role and have a voice.

8:15 pm Adjourn