

BDPAC NEWS

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH AT BAKER DRIVE PAC



FROM THE CHAIR...

Terri Besworth

Welcome back families. I want to congratulate each and everyone of you for handling all of the changes so well. These kids of ours are amazing and adapt so well to this new school way of life!

As you can imagine, we have to really look at what the focus is for PAC this year. Our primary focus will be to continue to build community for this school. This includes all families; those that are in the school and those who are distant learning; we want everyone to feel they are part of the Baker Drive community.

We hope that you loved our Card in the Yard surprise on Friday the 18th. You should all have received a class picture around the sign "Welcome Back Bears" with their Bear T-Shirts on!

PAC BUDGET

2019/2020

- Budget for year: \$33,372
- Budget Spent: \$25,691.60
- Reduction in spend due to Covid and early dismissal of school.
- Amount spent \$128.45 per child to enhance their learning environment.
- Spends include \$6000 on iPads and Laptops for classrooms
- Fundraising revenue: \$17,758
 - \$12,178 coming from fundraising and hot lunch program
 - \$1,295 in direct donations
 - \$4,060 from the Gaming Grant

2020/2021

- Budget approved: \$30,272
- Currently in bank: \$27,773
- Some of these funds will be moved to cover expenses incurred due to Covid, including plexiglass screens and wash stations.

NEXT PAC MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020 @ 7PM

VIA ZOOM

Meeting ID: 915 769 3617

Passcode: happy



NEW PAC WEBSITE

The Hot Lunch website has been renamed and can now be found at:

bakerdrive.parentcouncil.net/admin

This site will now house all you need to know about PAC fundraising, events, meetings, important information, throughout the year.

If you have not already, visit the site to set up your account, and remember, if you have more than one child at the school, you must register them both under your account, so that you can receive the right information and access the right events.

FUNDRAISING DURING COVID

Many of our annual events that we do for community building and fundraising are going to be impacted this year. Sadly there will be no Halloween Dance nor will there be fireworks on the 31st. Nor will there be no Movie Nights...or at least how they traditionally looked. With our new Fundraiser Lead - Erin McKinley, she will be looking at how we can do different, fun, easy fundraising activities.

She has gotten all the suggestions from the survey that was done in February, plus all the initiatives that were run in the past. She is going to look at them all through CoVid glasses and see the \$\$ return they can bring to the school. She will plan to share more insights at our upcoming PAC meeting on Oct. 6th.

If you have an idea....please send them to bakerdrivepacfundraising@gmail.com

DIRECT DONATION

As a planning group, we are very aware that families may feel like they don't have the time or energy to keep up with all the fundraising activities.

Therefore we have the option of direct donation. If you want to contribute a lump sum for the year, or at any point during the year.

Go to <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/>

HOMEROOM PARENTS

We still need Home Room Parents!

This is going to be a key role that works closely with the teacher and communicates with parents of the class.

They will coordinate teacher and EA's gifts throughout the year and play a key part in our Staff Appreciation Day.

They will also help in sharing communication directly from PAC to their class.

If this is a role that you would like to do for 2020/2021, please reach out to Terri at bakerdrivepac@gmail.com

GRADE 5

- Thanks to Tina Papa and Cheri Keenan for volunteering to co-lead the Grade 5 committee!
- First committee meeting will be in October.
- Grade 5 hoodies available to purchase, until September 30 at <https://bakerhoods2020.itemorder.com/product/15895586>
- If your child did not manage to do their signature for the hoodie, please email cheri_keenan@hotmail.com