

Holly PAC Newsletter

Holly Elementary - Home of the Holly Hornets



November 2011

PAC Meeting Schedule 2011/12

November 22

January 24

February 21

April 10

May 8

7pm IN THE LIBRARY

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!

Holly's Spirit Wear Fundraiser was a huge success ... and people are still asking for more!

We will run this fundraiser one more time from November 7 - November 18. Here are the important dates for you to know.

November 7 - Notice Home

November 14 (3:00pm - 4:00pm), try on garments in multi purpose room

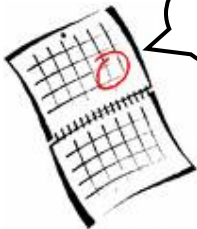
November 18 - Deadline for orders to be received

We are expecting to have orders available for pick up on December 12. We will send an email confirmation of this to parents once we are certain the orders will be ready.

If you didn't get a chance to place an order already, or you wish you had gotten a couple more pieces, or if you are ready to do some Christmas shopping ... this is your last chance to buy Spirit Wear this school year!

Thanks for your support!

November 22nd is
the next PAC
meeting



TOY Drive



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TOY DRIVE FOR DELTA ASSIST

Holly will be participating in our 4th Annual Christmas Toy Drive to benefit children and families of Delta who are in need.

Each classroom will be given a stocking to fill that has the corresponding age of that class. Some classrooms will be given a girl stocking and others a boy stocking. The toys do not necessarily have to fit the stocking! The stockings will be in the classrooms from November 9 until November 30.

Thank you for your support!

Thank you to our volunteers Denise Sheridan and Lorri Boutilier for your help with this event!

MABEL'S LABELS

Prevent lost items! Do you need help distinguishing your child's Holly spirit wear from someone else's?? Want to avoid your child's items ending up in the lost and found? Try Mabel's Labels.

These labels are colourful, easy-to-use, fun and virtually indestructible - dishwasher, microwave, laundry and kid-tested! Mabel's Labels also offers personalized stationary products, shoe labels, bag tags, household labels and more. Check out the Christmas products, such as holiday return address labels, Santa tags and stocking stuffer combos.

To order, go to www.hollyelementary.mabel.ca. Holly Pac receives a percentage of all orders placed through this site. Orders can be placed throughout the school year.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - NOVEMBER 1, 2 and 3

Once again, the Holly Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success. We once again surpassed our goal of \$6,500!

Thank you to all students and parents for making this a success. Our Family Event with Dilly the Clown was overwhelmingly popular!!!!!! Special thanks to Mrs. Diemert's class for making our Holly Book Bot and to our Grade seven students for helping with security. See you in March when we will be celebrating reading saying "Aloha" to great books!!!!!!

A huge thank you to our parent volunteers who helped 'man' the book fair over the three days. It is much appreciated!!!!

BIG BROTHERS CLOTHING DRIVE

Coming up quickly is the Big Brothers Clothing Drive. Drop-off at the school will start Thursday, November 17 and continue until Wednesday, November 23. Please think of us and clean out your closets for the holidays! Acceptable items for the clothing drive are:

- Clothing for men, women and children
- Accessories (ex. belts, hats, gloves, etc.)
- Shoes, boots and slippers
- Purses, backpacks, wallets and bags
- Curtains, drapes and table linens
- Towels and sheets
- Blankets, comforters and pillows
- Sleeping bags

Please ask your friends, family and neighbours to clean out their closets too - and bring your donations to the school from November 17th to the 23rd and place them inside the front doors in the hallway by the gym. If possible, please fill to a capacity of between 15.5 to 17 pounds to make things easier for our volunteers. We are happy to accept partial bags too. Thank You!

HOLLY WEBSITE

The Holly website is a great resource for finding out about our school: upcoming events, fundraisers, newsletters. Ms. Chapman is doing an awesome job bringing, and keeping, the site up-to-date. Check it out.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

There will be a Remembrance Day Assembly Thursday, November 10th, 11am in the gym. All Holly families are invited to attend.

PARENT CONNECT REMINDER

It is imperative that you go to Parent Connect and update the information there. Most importantly, you need to identify the names of the people who may pick your child up in the event of an emergency. To do this, go to <https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignon.aspx>. Click on the "Basic" tab (top, left), then click on the yellow button "Emergency/Out of Prov/Other Contacts" (middle, right). You can enter up to 5 contacts. The emergency prep committee is getting ready to print student emergency information tags. This information will come directly from Parent Connect. The forms that were used in the past will no longer be coming home for you to fill out. You must go onto Parent Connect to enter the necessary information.



WE NEED YOU !

SPRING FAIR COORDINATOR

We are just gearing up for the Holiday Season, but it's time to start thinking about our big fundraiser this year, the Spring Fair!!! This is our main fundraiser and we need one or two creative people to be coordinators for this event!! If you are interested in coordinating either on your own or with a friend, please contact Jenifer Gentle at jgentle@telus.net.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SAVE THE DATE - your family has breakfast plans!

To kick off the festive season Holly is hosting a Pancake Breakfast with Santa on Thursday, December 1st from 7:45 am to 8:45 am in the gym and all Holly families are invited to attend. Santa will be at breakfast and photos with Santa will be offered by donation on a first come, first serve basis. Order forms will be coming home with your youngest child in mid-November for families to pre-order their breakfasts. We are very excited to host this event and get together with our children and their friends at school - and we hope you will be able to make it out!

We still need a number of volunteers that morning - to set-up/decorate on Wednesday, November 30th, help cook and serve breakfast and to help clean-up after breakfast as well. Please contact Tanya Sadlo at tsadlo@dccnet.com if you are able to volunteer in any way. We appreciate your help!

DELTA PAC ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

*Highlights of Delta Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) Meeting
by Janice Ayach, Holly DPAC Rep*

The All Candidates meeting is set...

Monday, November 7, 7pm to 9pm - Genesis Theatre

Monday, November 14, 7pm to 9pm - Seaquam Secondary Theatre

So far, we know that 17 candidates will be participating on the 7th, and 16 on the 14th. Please be sure to attend at least one of these meetings - it will be a great way to hear from most of the candidates. Also, there will be a reception following the formal part of the meeting, in case you'd like to speak to any of the candidates one-on-one.

BCTF Job action: <http://dpac.delta.sd.bc.ca> provides links to agencies involved in this job action. Please look under the Resources on the website for further information.