



## PAC WELCOMES YOU!

Welcome back everyone. We hope you had wonderful summer. If you're new to the school, welcome to Montecito! We hope you and your child(ren) will enjoy your experience and embrace the opportunities to meet other parents and students at our school. As we start the school year, we have some PAC news and upcoming events to share with you.

### THANK YOU

A big thank you to Holdom Starbucks for providing coffee at our First Day Welcome and Welcome to Kindergarten events.

### PAC EXECUTIVE TEAM 2018/19

We have several parents who are volunteering their time this year as a PAC executive member. Please feel free to say hi to them or send them an email via [pacmontecito@gmail.com](mailto:pacmontecito@gmail.com) for any questions or concerns. A few positions are still available, and we would love to fill these spaces. Many of the executive members have been in their positions for a few years and will be moving on to other commitments in the next year or two. We need new parents from all grade levels to help take lead or co-lead activities and executive positions to maintain our support for our school.

Chair – Susan Scott (gr. 4 & 6)

Vice Chair - VACANT

Treasurer – Heather Miller (gr. 5 & 7)

Secretary – Tara Sutherland (gr. 5)

Past Chair – Miriam Fitterer (gr. 4)

### Members at Large

- Connie Hosie (gr. 6) – Fruit & Veggie program/Book Fair
- Addie Ceralvo (gr. 6) – Fundraising
- VACANT – School Consultation Committee
- VACANT – Emergency Preparedness Committee
- VACANT – Grants
- VACANT – Hot Lunch program
- VACANT - Gr. 7 Leaving Ceremony Representative
- VACANT - DPAC Representative

Information about the various positions can be found in our [PAC Constitution & Bylaws](#) located in the Parents/Resources section of the school website.

### PAC MEETINGS

All parents/guardians of current Montecito students are welcome to attend. Meetings run from 7:00-8:30 pm in the library on Thursdays. Please join us for our first meeting on **Sept. 20th**. Free child care is available during the meeting time. Please join us as it's a good opportunity to meet other parents and hear updates from the principal.

We also have informal morning coffee chats once a month with the principal. These meetings are for parents who are unable to attend the evening PAC meetings and provide an opportunity to ask questions to the principal and PAC executive member(s). Days to be confirmed.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We have set up an easy volunteer sign up system online at <http://signup.com/go/pJ3njP>. Follow the link, enter your email address, then select the event dates and times you'd like to help. No registration or password needed. A reminder email will be sent to you a few days prior to your volunteer spot. Volunteer jobs may include working with administration on consultation/planning committees, setting/cleaning up events, event planning, obtaining sponsorships and more. Many of these positions are during school hours, however we often need volunteers after hours too. Helping 1 hour per month goes a long way as we are all parent volunteers helping students and staff. Please check our online sign up regularly as we constantly update this page.

### **HOT LUNCH PROGRAM**

Thank you to our school community who bought and/or helped with our hot lunch program the past few years. By having a hot lunch program, we help raise funds to supplement the needs of Montecito School. We have researched a new hot lunch provider who is willing to deliver hot lunches to our school, however we do not yet have a parent volunteer to be the Administrative Coordinator. For the hot lunch program to run at our school, we need someone to take the lead and be the main contact with the lunch provider. This entails working with administration and lunch provider to determine delivery days, promoting the order dates to school, and being the go-to person for any questions about the program. If you would like to have the hot lunch program at our school and are willing to take the lead of this program, please contact [pacmontecito@gmail.com](mailto:pacmontecito@gmail.com).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We need your help for the following September and ongoing events, please sign up at <http://signup.com/go/pJ3njP>.

#### **Sept. 7 - Community Building BBQ**

Join us for a school-wide welcome BBQ on Friday, Sept. 7 from 4:00-7:00 at the school gym. It's a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones at Montecito. Cost is \$2 per person and includes burger or hot dog, coleslaw and drink.

#### **Starting Sept. 12 - Fruit & Veggie Program**

Our school is part of the provincial government's BC School Fruit & Vegetable Nutritional Program. Approximately every other Wednesday, our children are given fresh fruit or vegetables to snack on and milk for kindergarten to grade 5 classes. We need volunteers to help prepare and deliver these nutritious snacks on Wednesdays from 9:00-10:00 starting on Sept. 12. Please sign up or join in the gym kitchen on our first delivery day.

#### **Sept. 18-20 - Fall Book Fair**

Our Fall Scholastic Book Fair is coming up! Sept. 18-20 at lunch and after school in the library. If you can volunteer for a shift(s) (1 hour or more) helping at cash or on the sales floor, please sign up. Funds raised from this event go towards supporting the library and other school literacy needs. Please stop by with your family during the Parents as Partners conferences.

#### **Sept. 27 - Terry Fox Run**

The entire school will celebrate Terry Fox on Thursday, Sept. 27 afternoon with a school-wide walk/run. We need volunteers for crossing guards, course supervisors, and orange distributors for the classrooms.