



October 2020

Welcome returning and new Douglas Road Firebird Parent/Guardian(s),

Each Parent/Guardian of a child attending Douglas Road Elementary becomes a PAC Member and we're excited to have you onboard with us this 2020/2021 School Year. You might be wondering "What does the PAC do?" We are your fellow parents representing all the parents of our school. We are the link between the parents, teachers, and administrators. Our parent community can only be as well represented and supported as the effort put into the voluntary PAC board. In other words: **We need you!**

**So, what's the difference between a PAC Member and a PAC Executive?**

- PAC Executives are those parents who have chosen to hold an official position within the PAC. These executive positions are volunteer positions with no compensation provided by the school.
- PAC Members can help the PAC throughout the year in fundraising or other initiatives as requested by the PAC Executives, or simply just to attend the PAC meetings to find out what's happening.

We encourage all the Parent/Guardian(s) who are PAC members to attend the PAC meetings; you will not be assigned to any tasks without your willing to do so. It's a great hour meeting once a month where the atmosphere is very light, we have some good laughs and you get to know the Principal and your PAC Executive team. The key to attending is that you as a parent/guardian will be kept informed of what's happening in the school that your child is attending and gives our children a sense that their parents care about their education. In the PAC meeting we also take votes in decisions where PAC member's votes are critical especially when it comes to allocating on how to spend the funds provided by the government and via our fundraising. We will be holding our first PAC meeting in October. Due to COVID 19, we have not yet been able to set a date, time, or method of how this meeting will proceed but we will notify you as soon as we can.

**Why PAC and why do we need YOU to be hands on and part of the team?**

Please join us so that we can represent the diversity within our community and contribute to the benefit of our child(ren) and students of Douglas Road by:

- providing opportunities to educate and inform parents about the school;
- involving parents in volunteer activities; and
- openly discussing parents' concerns and aspirations for their schools

We are NOT:

- A forum to discuss individual student/staff problems or conflicts.

We encourage you to get involved with your child's school and be part of a fun and exciting group of parents. Let your child know that you are contributing to be a part of the school by **supporting school needs, field trips, special programs such as Soccer, Tennis, and Hip Hop Lessons, new outdoor benches and additional educational needs**. Your involvement is crucial, and we encourage you and your time!

Parents are encouraged and invited to bring forth issues, suggestions, or concerns relating to the meeting and enhancement of the needs of your school community. These issues can be brought forth by:

- contacting a PAC executive member
- sending a letter to the school addressed to a member of the PAC executive
- attending a PAC meeting

You can connect with us at a meeting or by email at: [douglasroad.pac@gmail.com](mailto:douglasroad.pac@gmail.com)

If you would like to connect with a PAC executive member directly:

<b>Barbra Shauer</b> , Co-Chair / Secretary	:	<a href="mailto:bshauer@gmail.com">bshauer@gmail.com</a>
<b>Jenny Wong</b> , Co-Chair / Treasurer	:	<a href="mailto:jmwong@shaw.ca">jmwong@shaw.ca</a>
<b>Paulina Talaber</b> , Lunch Coordinator	:	<a href="mailto:paupega@gmail.com">paupega@gmail.com</a>
<b>Michelle Kienzle</b> , DPAC Representative (Interim)	:	<a href="mailto:myshellkienzle@gmail.com">myshellkienzle@gmail.com</a>




**We wish your children and you the very best start of the school year!**

# FUNDRAISERS

Douglas Road Elementary School is a wonderful place and we, your Parent Advisory Council (PAC), are excited that you and your family have chosen to spend these important years here.

As a parent(s) of Douglas Road student(s), you are a member of the PAC and an integral part of the Douglas Road Community. You bring skills and talents that will add to the fabric of our school. Your support and enthusiasm will contribute to the uniqueness of Douglas Road Elementary School.


Every year, Douglas Road PAC raises funds to help support our school and benefit the students in all sorts of ways. Some PAC funding examples are Field trips, special programs such as Soccer, Tennis, Hip Hop Lessons, new outdoor benches, and additional educational needs. **Please help us by supporting these fundraising efforts just by doing some of the shopping you're doing already!** Check out the vendors below who provide funding back to our school every time you make a purchase. It may take an extra minute to use the right link etc... but our students are worth it!



## RAISE SOME DOUGH

FOR  
DOUGLAS ROAD ELEMENTARY PAC

Everytime you shop at COBS Bread Kensington Square, mention Douglas Road Elementary and they'll process a 5% donation of the sale back to our school!



Did you label your child(ren)'s jacket, boots, indoor shoes, mitts, etc? The school hallway downstairs is typically bursting with lost and found clothing at the end of the year..... Our PAC has an ongoing fundraiser with:



Shop via the fundraiser link and select "Douglas Road Elementary PAC (Burnaby)" and PAC will receive 20% of your total purchase! [https://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/)



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# FlipGive

Every time you make a purchase through FlipGive, you'll earn cash back for the school.  
There are no additional costs to you as the buyer! It's as simple as that.

**Sign up for FlipGive now and join the Douglas Road PAC account to help support.**

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Douglas Road Elementary PAC

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