



YOUR PAC UPDATES

Welcome to your new, monthly PAC newsletter!

Our aim is to communicate better with you: our PAC community members. We want you to know who we are, what we're up to, when things are happening and why we're doing it. We also want to know what you're thinking. To get our dialogue started please...

- **subscribe to our website to get posts directly in your inbox**
- **like our Facebook page (can we get more than 179 likes?)**
- **attend PAC meetings if you can**
- **and read this newsletter**

We recently hosted Trevor Calkins, a mathematical teaching genius, at our PAC meeting. He engaged our grey matter and taught us how our kids can conquer math. See www.poweroften.ca for powerful insights.

Willows boasts a brand new gaga ball pit. Thank you to the PAC and everyone involved with getting it into our playground. The joyful cries and patient line ups by kids (even on weekends) are a sure sign that this purchase is a huge success. Head over to the Gr.4/5 playground to see what I'm talking about.

Did you know? Willows PAC is a fundraising free zone. Yay! Instead of raising funds through sales and events, we have a voluntary Contribution Program. Details of the program and how the money is used will be sent home with your child on Monday, 2 November. Check those backpacks! Thank you in advance - Willows wouldn't be the fantastic school that it is without your support.



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Willows PAC



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The end of 2015 is fast approaching and in years past we have kicked off the holiday season with the Holly Tree Festival. Our chief coordinator, with all of her elf expertise (amongst other talents), is unavailable to run the show this year. Her boots are almost as large as Santa's to fill and try to fill them we did. But, very sadly we couldn't. So, we are going to try two exciting, new events.

To get into the spirit of the holidays we are thrilled to premiere our very own 'Family Movie Night'. Bring your blankets, your PJs (if you're so inclined ;-), your cheerfulness and oh yes, the children too! We'll be having a junior (K-Gr.2) and a senior (Gr.3-5) viewing night to help keep the gym comfortable for all. If you have junior and senior children in one family, then feel free to pick one night. We'll be needing the help of the Gr. 5 Elves to hand out free bags of Papa Elf's Popcorn. That is if they're not too busy at Santa's Workshop on the 2nd and 3rd of December at 6:30pm.

In honour of the Holly Tree Festival and because we are Willows and love a good festival, we will celebrate our community and come together under brilliant blue and sunny skies in May at The Blossom Tree Festival! Details to follow in 2016.

Thank you for reading. We're looking forward to the year ahead!
Best wishes,

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