



OCTOBER 2026

Ecole Sandy Hill Elementary School P.A.C. NEWSLETTER

STAY IN THE LOOP WITH UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Dates to
remember

October

- **Oct. 2-23** - Panago Fundraiser (order on Hot Lunch)
- **Oct. 12** - Thanksgiving (No School)
- **Oct. 14** - Popcorn Day
- **Oct. 21 & 22** - Parent/Teacher Conferences (12 pm dismissal)
- **Oct. 22** - DPAC Meeting @ 7 PM (Zoom)
- **Oct. 23** - Pro-D Day (No School)
- **Oct. 26** - PAC Meeting @ 7 PM (School Library & Zoom)
- **Oct. 28** - Panago Certificates going home
- **Oct. 28** - Photo retakes
- **Oct. 30** - Halloween Parade @ 8:45 am - parents welcome
- **Oct. 30** - Halloween Family Dance @ 6-7:30 PM

November

- **Nov. 2-22** - Winter Plant Fundraiser
- **Nov. 2-25** - Purdy's Fundraiser
- **Nov. 6** - Hot Lunch (Boston Pizza)
- **Nov. 11** - Remembrance Day (No School)
- **Nov. 20** - Pro D Day (No School)
- **Nov. 21** - Abbotsford Canucks Game @ 5pm
- **Nov. 26** - DPAC Meeting @ 7PM (Zoom)
- **Nov. 30** - PAC Meeting @ 7PM (School Library & Zoom)

PAC At a Glance



- **Hot Lunch ordering is LIVE:** Order Hot Lunch and Popcorn Days now through January.
- **Our Goals are Set:** We have big plans for our school and need your help to make them happen.
- **Our Halloween Dance is Coming:** Grab your tickets and join us for a spooky good time.
- **Fundraising Fun Ahead:** Abbotsford Canucks, winter plants, and Purdy's are coming soon!
- **Recess Fun has Arrived:** PAC has provided three new recess bins—two ball bins and a sand toy bin—for students to enjoy as a trial project.
- **Want to make a difference?** PAC accepts private donations toward our initiatives (& BONUS: you can get a tax receipt!). Ask us how today.

Want to know more about any of these (and more)? Read on for more details.

Events and General



Spooky Fun Ahead:

Halloween Dance

Friday, October 30 (6:00–7:30PM)

Mark your calendars and join us for a spooktacular Family Halloween Dance!

Doors open at 6:00 p.m., and the dance runs until 7:30 p.m.

Admission is \$5 per child or \$15 for families with 3 or more children. Adults and children under 3 are free.

Come dressed in your favourite costume for a chance to win our Best Family Costume prize! Glow sticks will be available for \$1, and Concession will be open for snacks and treats. No pizza/dinner option will be available so be sure to fuel up ahead of time!

Want to see what PAC's up to next?

Check out the meeting minutes from September's PAC Meeting [here](#). Our next meeting is Monday, October 26 at 7:00pm.

Fundraisers

We are fundraising for several significant projects:

1. New Larger Projector & Screen for Gym
2. Spinning Equipment for Primary Playground
3. Accessible Swing (to replace a single swing on the current swing set)
4. Mural on Outside Gym Wall (multi-year goal)

Want to support a specific PAC initiative?

Private donations are welcome
& may be eligible for a tax receipt.
Email us to learn more!

Help us put the "fun" in FUNdraising! Check out some of the current and upcoming initiatives:

- **Panago Certificates** will be available to purchase on HotLunch from Oct. 1 -21st, and will be distributed Oct. 28. Certificates cost \$14.00 and can be used for any medium pizza at any location.
Note: certificates expire 3 months from date of issue.
- **Abbotsford Canucks:** Join our Sandy Hill families and friends on Nov. 21 for the Teddy Bear Toss game where the Abbotsford Canucks host the Tucson Roadrunners ! Get your tickets online [here](#).
- **Growing Smiles Winter Plant Fundraiser:** Will be [available to order here online](#) from Nov. 2-22, and will be distributed Dec. 9 from the Multipurpose Room (Room 107). These beautiful arrangements are going to be the hit of your holiday decorating and gifting!
- **Purdy's:** Will be [available to order here online](#) from Nov. 2- 25, and will be distributed Dec. 9 from the Multipurpose Room (Room 107). These make the perfect holiday gift!

Hot Lunch



The first batch of Hot Lunch offerings are available now! Please order by the cut-off dates to ensure you don't miss out. This is not mandatory, but participating can be fun for your child(ren), while also supporting fundraising initiatives at the school.

- **Nov 6: Boston Pizza** (Ordering deadline is Oct. 29)
- **Dec. 11: Holiday Treat Day – Cookies & Milk** (Ordering deadline is Dec. 3)
- **Jan 29: Fuel Catering** (Ordering deadline is Jan. 21)

Hot Lunch Volunteers: Volunteer signup is a little bit different this year. Anyone who would like to volunteer for Hot Lunch this year (delivering lunches to classrooms and helping organize food bins), please find the links below for sign-up forms through the external link: Volunteer SignUp. You can also find the links on the school website under each calendar event with the hot lunch announcement.

- **November Signup:** <https://volunteersignup.org/3CKPH>
- **December Signup:** <https://volunteersignup.org/7PBF4>
- **January Signup:** <https://volunteersignup.org/CWBBR>

**NOTE: All volunteers must have completed their CRC with the District and Annual Volunteer form with the school (please connect with the front office if you have questions on status of your application).*

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A HOTLUNCH ACCOUNT:

1. Set up your account now by going to www.sandyhill.parentcouncil.net and selecting "click here to register now". Each year the system resets and parents are required to re-register their child.

****You will need this code to complete your registration: XUkDVr**

2. Create your account with your (parent) details.
3. Once you have done that you can add your student(s) to your account. Select the class your child is assigned to from the available list of teachers and divisions listed. If you are unsure, please contact the school's office.

If you have any questions or problems registering please contact sandyhillhotlunch@gmail.com.
Please remember, when ordering hot lunch, your child will still need a recess snack packed for that day.

D.P.A.C. (District Parent Advisory Council)



- The next DPAC meeting is on Oct. 22 on Zoom . You can find the link on the DPAC Abbotsford website: <https://www.abbotsforddpac.ca/>
- The DPAC is looking for parent input for their parents' series this year. If you have any suggestions for topics or speakers you would like to see, please email them: dpac.sd34@gmail.com

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