

Hi everyone,

We hope you all enjoyed the long weekend - summer is fast approaching! Here are the latest updates from the Henry Hudson PAC.

PAC Minutes

Quick reminder, if you couldn't join last week's PAC meeting, the meeting minutes can be found here <https://hudsonpac.ca/archive-minutes/>

Summer care

Several parents have shared concerns with the PAC team and Henry Hudson admin on the limited spots in the HOOSC summer camp program. A quick reminder that while after/before school care, summer programs and new rooftop care programs are run within Henry Hudson building, the school administration does not have oversight on the management of those programs. Please direct any questions to: Kelly Han - ed@hudsonchildcare.ca

Any parents reaching out to Kelly about camp programs can copy hudsonpac@gmail.com. The PAC is open to advocating for additional solutions to help Henry Hudson parents find needed care during summer months.

Other Summer programs

During the summer camp discussions at the PAC meeting last week, a few ideas for alternative summer program options were shared by parents and the HH admin team. Please see the meeting minutes for more info.

Construction update

Update on the playground

- Playground has been built and shipped. Work has started on the field and playground zone.
- Project still on track for Sept 2nd (school opening) - weather remains the key factor

Responses to recently raised questions regarding trees and landscaping

- What type of trees are being planted on the new grounds?
 - The trees to be planted have been carefully chosen by the landscape architect to fit well with the grounds plan, and for optimum growth in the soil and light conditions. These include: Several Katsuras, Birch trees, Aspen and Honeylocust. All large trees currently surrounding the school and grounds will be maintained. These trees are within the current landscaping contract. If the PAC is interested in potentially funding additional trees, this can be a conversation (via

the school admin) with VSB Grounds after the trees in contract are planted. It is recommended that the current landscape plan be enacted to see what the grounds look like prior to any additional plantings.

- Can the landscape architect share more about the bioswale?
 - There will be a bioswale adjacent to the field and parking lot. The bioswale is designed to accommodate surface stormwater runoff from the parking lot. The bioswale retains this stormwater runoff by providing surface storage in the swale itself and allows for infiltration into the soil, helping to maintain rainwater on-site and reduce peak flow entering the storm sewer system. The bioswale is planted with species that thrive in the fluctuating stormwater levels, and they assist in reducing the amount of pollutants that enter the stormwater system, and includes rocks and trees. The bioswale will be fenced, with three gates. Students and staff will be able to access the bioswale for learning opportunities, when it is dry.

Upcoming PAC Events

End of year BBQ - Thursday, June 5th

- Friends and family welcome
- Posters being made up
- On site:
 - Vera's burger shack on site
 - Yum's Candy
 - Raffle
 - Clothing swap
 - Game stations
 - Bricks from the old school will be available for sale

Father's day - Vancouver Canadians Game

Please use this link to purchase tickets: <https://www.gofevo.com/event/0615-HHES>

Trivia night - Wed June 11th, 7pm

- Kits beach coffee
- Tickets at 20\$ - half of sales go to PAC

Go By Bike Week

Reminder that [Go by bike week](#) is June 2-6th

Go by Bike Week is a celebration of cycling, where we encourage everyone in Metro Vancouver to travel by bike and motivate those who already do to keep riding.

Whether you ride your bike to work, school, the shops, or to grab a coffee, all destinations count. Log your trips to track KM's and greenhouses gas savings, and for a chance to win prizes. The more trips you log, the more you can win!

Next PAC meeting

The last PAC meeting of this school year will take place on Thursday, June 19th at 6:30pm in the library.

Have a great month
PAC Executive team