

Hi everyone,

Only a month until the winter holidays! Time is flying by and lots of events and activities taking place. Here are the latest updates from the Henry Hudson PAC.

PAC Minutes

If you couldn't join last week's PAC meeting, the meeting minutes can be found here

<https://hudsonpac.ca/archive-minutes/>

Traffic safety update

A few members of the PAC team met with the Henry Hudson admin team (Tamara & Keo) and two Vancouver city councillors regarding some concerns raised on traffic safety around the new school. The councillors were walked around the roads and intersections to outline some of the concerns raised by parents and teachers. As a next step, engineers with the city have been in contact with the Hudson admin team to arrange a meeting for further review of proposed changes to improve safety around the school. The admin and PAC team will share updates as things progress.

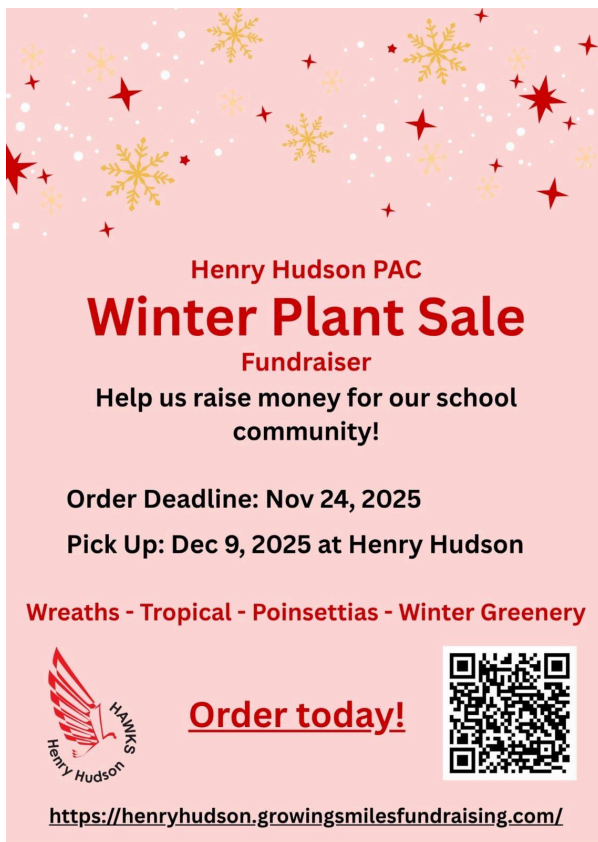
Specifics recommendations being reviewed

- Crosswalk time increase (30 seconds instead of 12 seconds) - Maple and Cornwall
- Maple is currently the only left turn road off Cornwall between Burrard and Yew - change proposed
- Speed limit reduction to 30km (plus speed cameras)
- Crosswalk at Walnut and Cornwall

Fundraising update

The PAC fundraising team is busy organizing several fun options to support our Henry Hudson fundraising goal - raising enough money to support an additional playground space on the southwest corner of the school.

- Last call for the Winter Plant Sale - deadline is Nov 25th (tomorrow) at 12pm
- Purdy's Chocolates - who doesn't love chocolates? You can pretend to buy them for others and then just keep them, we won't tell.
- Silent auction (doesn't technically have to be silent, you're welcome to sing carols while you bid)
 - We are still taking in donations for the auction. If you have anything to offer, please see details below.
 - This year's auction will include some fantastic gifts , including Canucks tickets, Whitecaps tickets, Bard on the Beach tickets, Kitsilano Yatch Club summer camp, Whistler condo weekend, and more!



Henry Hudson PAC

Winter Plant Sale


Fundraiser

Help us raise money for our school community!


Order Deadline: Nov 24, 2025

Pick Up: Dec 9, 2025 at Henry Hudson

Wreaths - Tropical - Poinsettias - Winter Greenery



Order today!



<https://henryhudson.growingsmilesfundraising.com/>



Henry Hudson PAC

Purdy's Chocolate Sale

Help us raise money for our school community!



CHOCOLATIER

Order Deadline: Dec 2, 2025
Pick Up: Dec 12, 2025 Henry Hudson

Order Today!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/2224006-134579>



AUCTION

DONATIONS NEEDED!

HELP SUPPORT HENRY HUDSON'S FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE FOR
A PRIMARY PLAYGROUND!

WE ARE NEEDING AUCTION ITEMS TO ADD TO THE ONLINE
FUNDRAISER BEING HELD
DECEMBER 1ST - 14TH

- ◆ VACATIONS/VACATION RENTALS
- ◆ GIFT CERTIFICATES
- ◆ KID'S ACTIVITIES / CAMPS
- ◆ EXPERIENCES / TICKETS
- ◆ GIFTS ETC

CONTACT KATELYN FOR MORE INFORMATION
OR TO CONTRIBUTE:
KATEZOTT2@HOTMAIL.COM

Winter Fair

Winter Fair is fast approaching!

- Reminder that tickets can be purchased in advance (see details below).
- Volunteers are always well appreciated, please reach out to the PAC if interested and available to help in advance and/or during the fair.
- Gingerbread house contest is back. See details below for sign up and timings.





WINTER FAIR PRE-SALE!

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TICKET
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GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY
SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEND
TIME IN THE LINE!

PRE-SALE DEAL! \$20 FOR 25 TICKETS!

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES (1-2 TICKETS)
SNACKS & DRINKS AT THE CONCESSION (1-2 TICKETS)
KIDS ONLY MARKET (1-5 TICKETS DEPENDING ON ITEM)
PHOTO BOOTH (4 TICKETS)

ADDITIONAL TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE FAIR
FOR \$1 PER TICKET

GET YOUR VERA TICKETS EARLY!
PURCHASE YOUR FOOD TICKETS
BEEF OR VEGGIE BURGER COMBO
CHICKEN FINGERS COMBO
VERA'S FRIES

You can purchase tickets on-line:
<https://hudsonpac.ca/winter-fair-pre-orders/>

CALLING ALL BAKERS FOR HUDSON'S "IS IT GINGERBREAD?" CONTEST!



Gather your team and join in the holiday fun at the Winter Fair!

Work together to design and build a show-stopping gingerbread house that will dazzle the judges!

THE DETAILS:

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025, by 12 PM.

REGISTER TODAY:




JUDGES ARE LOOKING FOR:
CREATIVITY
CRAFTSMANSHIP
TEAM SPIRIT
HOLIDAY CHEER

DROP-OFF:
Thursday, December 4th, 2025, by 9:00am

PRIZES TO BE WON!

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?
Teams of 2-5 bakers
Students, Families, Gingerbread Geniuses





Community Activities

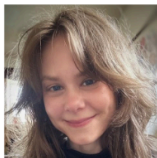
Registration is open for the grade 4 to 7 VEMS Spring extracurricular band.

VEMS Extracurricular Band **2025 – 2026 School Year** **Hudson Elementary**

Beginner Band: Grades 4-7 *
35 rehearsals and two concerts
(\$400)

Registration: <https://vems.ca/signup>

Benefits of Band	Band Schedule 2025-2026
Connection → Having fun with peers while taking on a learning a new skill Coordination → The challenge is real and the progress is fast. Cognition → Early music training dramatically enhances children's abstract reasoning skills. Having Fun! → You don't think humans have been playing musical instruments for the last 35,000 years because they didn't like it, do you?	Instrument Selection Starts September 9 * (Euphonium, saxophone and trombone are usually too large for Grade 4s.) Winter Term: Jan 14 to Mar 4 Spring Term: Apr 8 to Jun 12 Wednesday mornings at 7:45 and Fridays 3 – 4 PM.



Woodwinds

Laura Jay obtained her Masters of Music in Performance and Related Studies (flute) at Goldsmiths College, University of London. This is her second year with VEMS and her orange tabby cat is name Elvis Purrlesley.



Brass

Eugene Khandyshko has over 15 years worldwide experience as a brass instruments specialist, performer and band leader. He is excited to motivate and inspire different groups of ages in their pursuit of creativity.

"Music listening, performance, and composition engage nearly every area of the brain ... and involve nearly every neural subsystem." – Daniel J. Levitin, *This is your Brain on Music*.

Presented by ...

The Vancouver Extracurricular Music Society

- VEMS is a BC nonprofit society dedicated to bringing more music to more children.
- * Financial assistance is available; please apply when registering
- VEMS is registered with the CRA and issues tax receipts. www.vems.ca/donate/
- 20 children need to be enrolled for the band to run.
- Questions? Email president@vems.ca



Next PAC meeting

The last PAC meeting of before the winter holidays will take place on Tuesday, December 16th at 6:30pm in the library.

Childminding will be available. Reminder that parents will need to sign children in. Childminding is only for Henry Hudson students.

Have a great month and see you at the fair!

PAC Executive team