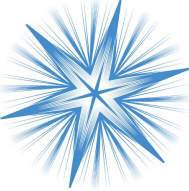



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2017 Christmas Fair Newsletter

Friday December 1st 5:30 – 8:30pm



It's that time of the year again!!! The Christmas Fair is fast approaching...last year we raised over \$25,000! All of the money raised goes directly back into our children's classrooms and learning experience via the Special Funding Request system, funding field trips, bussing to school events, and all the extras that really enrich our children's experiences at school. This means that we don't constantly get requests for funds for trips and extras sent home with our children, and why we don't have to sell chocolates/coupon books/magazine subscriptions/do bottle drives throughout the year!



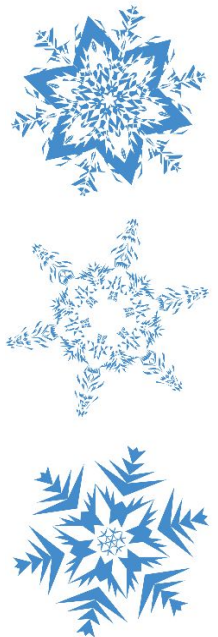
But, of course, the Fair doesn't run itself-- **we need your help!** The success of the Fair depends upon the concerted efforts of parents, guardians, older children (ex-students), staff, and community members who volunteer to participate in many ways! Even if you are unable to assist us on the night of the Fair, there are many things to do in preparation of the night!

How Do I Help?

- **Donate Emporium Items:** we need your donations of stuffies, books, DVDs, games, puzzles, knickknacks and lots of gently used items for the Emporium.
- **Donate to the Silent auction** (more info to follow)- this is a huge \$\$ raiser!
- **Bake** items for the cake walk and bake sale (to be delivered the day of the Fair)
- **Volunteer your time!** Time to do a shift at one of the Fair venues, to help coordinate a venue, to collect items for the silent auction, to wash stuffies, put up fairy lights, set up and clean up, etc...
- **Sell Raffle Tickets!** Another big \$\$ maker for us! Raffle tickets will be sent home with each student the week of November 20. There is no expectation that the children sell all of their tickets, however, **ALL SOLD AND UNSOLD tickets MUST** be returned to school by Thursday, November 30th. Please return tickets and cash and or cheque (payable to Deep Cove PAC) in a sealed envelope. The class that sells the most tickets will win a pizza party!

How Do I Volunteer? ****NEW this year****

Volunteer sign up for the venues will be done online this year via **Signup Genius**. The invites to volunteer are being sent out to everyone via **e-mail** through your class reps, and have been posted to the **PAC Website** (<https://deepcove.sd63.bc.ca/>) and **Facebook page** (@deepcoveelementaryPAC). Please go online to have a look at the different positions we need filled. Sign up for your preferred shift before Nov 24th. After that, the sign up lists will be posted at the school to fill the remaining slots.

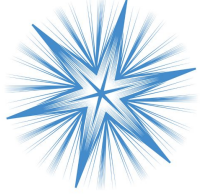




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Do I have to volunteer? No, of course not! But we really hope you do! Every year parents who have been very involved at Deep Cove School move on because their youngest child has graduated. It is your turn to step in and replace them. We would love you welcome you on our team!



Please sort, bake, sell, donate and volunteer to support your children's school!

**Thank you to the venue coordinators, volunteers,
and donors who have already stepped up!**

Christmas Fair Highlights and Venue Specifics

Silent Auction: The donations of items or gift certificates are gratefully accepted and can be left at the school office. Helpers will be needed to wrap and display the items on the day before the Fair and to run the room during the Fair.

Glitter Tattoos: No artistic ability necessary!! Many volunteers will be needed to run this venue!

Cake Walk: Many decorated cakes will be needed for this event. Bring your cake in a cake box to the school gym on the morning of the fair. Cake boxes will be available at the school office a few days before.

Baking and Preserves: Bakers are needed to cover the Bake sale tables with goodies. All of you Christmas Baking can be accomplished for the holidays by a visit to this venue! All baked goods and preserves can be brought to the school gym on the

morning of the Fair. Please be sure to label if your baking contains nuts.

Games in the Big Gym: Many volunteers are needed for these action-packed venues.

Primary Games: Lots of games for the younger kids with stuffies as prizes. Look for a few new games this year!

Bouncing: Big and mini!

Books, Puzzles, Games, Videos: We are happy to accept all types of kids or adult books, comics, cookbooks, etc, as well as DVDs, CDs, games and puzzles. (No magazines or reference books please). Drop off your items on the stage in the Big Gym. Volunteers will be needed to help transport books before and after the Fair, as well as sell books during the Fair.

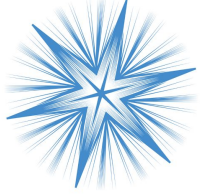
North Pole: Popcorn and Ice Cream Treats! Volunteers needed for sales.



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Santa Photos: Get your picture taken and tell Santa what you want for Christmas!!



Snack Shack: Yummy food and drinks to keep us going! Many volunteers will be needed to help set up, run, and clean up this venue.

Mini Donuts: Come and indulge in some warm, sweet mini donuts fresh from the fryer!

Raffle Tickets: Tickets will go on sale on November 20 and will continue on the night of the Fair.

50-50 Draw: Get your 50-50 tickets!! Volunteers with loud voices are needed to sell these.

Parking Spot Raffle: Do you rush to the school to pick up your kids at the last minute and forget that you'll have to park way down the road and run to make it on time?? Buy as many of these as you can for a chance to win Mr. MacGregor's parking spot for the year!

Emporium: Christmas shopping galore! Donations of gently used treasures and household items are needed. Please drop off your donations on the stage in the Big Gym. Many volunteers will be needed on the day of the Fair to help set things up and sell items.

Hair Flair: Wacky, bright, and glittery hairdos! Volunteers will be needed to help sculpt and spray these crazy styles!

Prizes: Volunteers are needed in the prize room to help children exchange tickets for prizes.

Cafe Noel: A quiet place for adults to relax while the kids roam the Fair. Coffee, tea and desserts are served in a quiet atmosphere.

Ticket Sales: Volunteers are needed to sell tickets.

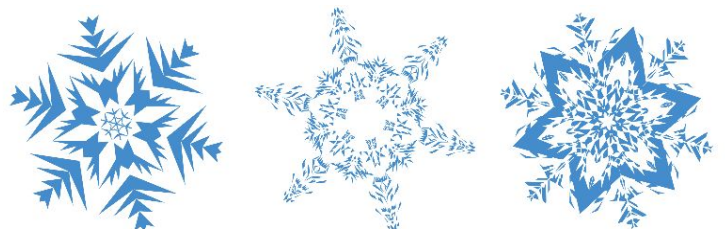
Poinsettia Sales: Did you miss the poinsettia presales?? Get yours at the Fair! Volunteers are needed to sell poinsettias.

School Clothing Sales: Do you want to show your school spirit but don't have the right shirt? We will be taking pre-orders for school clothing during the fair so you can show off your school spirit at upcoming events!

Coat Check: BY DONATION! This room raises funds for the grade 5 year-end events and is staffed mostly by grade 5 students, with some adult help. Don't haul your coats around with you all night! Check them and donate to the graduating class!

Keep your eyes peeled for updates!!

Thank you and Merci!
2017 Christmas Fair Committee



Want to help coordinate a venue? Any questions? Just contact us at deepcovefair@gmail.com