



NEWS FOR MEANINGFUL PARENT INVOLVMENT

THE OFFICIAL MLES PAC NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

April 2024

Maple Leaf Elementary School, Parent Advisory Council, a volunteer group that is committed to advocacy for children, providing connection, and improving the well-being of those in the community.

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Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser Success: \$2942.50



We would like to thank everyone who participated in the CO-OP fundraiser, it was a major success. With your enthusiastic support, we raised \$2,942.50 that will go directly towards supporting the Maple Leaf community.

Student Involved Conference Pot Luck: Mar 14

PAC surprised the teachers with warm home-cooked meals and treats in the staff room on March 14 during the student involved conference. We wanted to show our appreciation to teachers who have devoted their time and effort into not only educating our kids but bringing their keenness to the table!



Upcoming Events

Next Hot Lunch: April 5



Thank you to the volunteers, families, and teachers who helped with hot lunch in March. We had our local Fire Captain, Jonathan, from Morden Fire & Rescue volunteer with MLES. It is great to see the community involved in working with the kids!

Our hope is to create a sense of warmth, fun, and togetherness. Donations are greatly appreciated to cover any additional cost for families who are unable to participate for financial reasons. In March, we received nearly \$200 in donations. Thank you families and thank you to Domino's Pizza for your wonderful and speedy service!

Morden Children's Business Market, Workshop: Apr 30 - May 28

We are proud to announce that our Children's Business Market will be on June 3! Children can choose to apply directly to our one-day market in June or participate in a 5-week Tuesday Lunch Workshop starting April 30 to May 28 (workshop space limited and only available to MLES grade 1-4 students).

The workshop will include mentorship and hands-on time for kids to make their products and fine tune their business plans. We have teamed up with Mrs. Jerema, Mrs. Routhier, Community Futures, and Junior Achievements to make this happen!



Community Futures is a federally funded program that works with rural communities on starting up businesses, community economic development projects, and strat-



-egic planning. One of their mandates is to work with youth and business programming. Junior Achievements delivers free business-related programming for children all over Canada. Their initiative is to enable young people to develop essential life skills through exposure to interactive activities and innovative business solutions.



The Children's Business Market event was made possible by the Innovation Grant from the Western School Division. The purpose of this project is to spark a culture of creativity, innovation, teamwork, and independence. We plan to bring the community together to inspire kids to take risks and build resiliency to challenges.



We need help with:

Workshop Mentors	April 30 to May 28 Tuesdays 12:00pm-1:00pm
Movers	April 26 and June 3
Business Advisors	Searching for sponsors and judging panel members during workshops and/or June 3

TO VOLUNTEER: Three checks need to be completed beforehand:



1. Criminal Record Check
2. Child Abuse Registry Check
3. Respect in School Training

Scan the QR Code or [Click Here.](#)

Next PAC Meeting: Apr 8

Any parent or guardian is welcome to attend the PAC meetings to keep informed or to share their opinions. **You do not need** to become a volunteer or participate in any responsibilities. You may also join virtually! Keep on the look out for our email reminders

Monday, April 8th, 7:30 p.m

Monday, May 13th, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, June 3rd, 7:30 p.m.

Link to more PAC information: [PAC Website](#)