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School Council News

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Dear St. Patrick's families.

It certainly is amazing to be celebrating one full month of something close to "normal". The last few years have been extremely hard for many of us, and certainly made us appreciate the role of teacher even more! As we all struggled over the past few years through COVID, one thing became very clear to many – the importance of community. It feels so great to have our kids back to their own community, something we have all been missing.

Parent council is looking for a way to build on that need to foster school community relationships. As parents, we are busy too – hockey one night, dance the other, plus our own work and commitments. It's exhausting. We aren't looking for something to add to your busy day to day life, but if we can come together as a school community a few times a year, we think it would be something positive for all of us.

Parent council also does fundraising throughout the school year. We do this to further enhance the space our kids spend most of their childhood. The funds help cover some costs for school trips, end of year graduation celebrations, and ideally, for some larger investments. We are thinking BIG – like a new play structure…but more on those ideas later this fall. We hope to further establish a relationship where we can all work towards an even better school for our kids to learn.

We would love to kick off the year with a St. Patrick's School Halloween Party. On Thursday, October 27th, please join us 5:30-7pm, for a family Halloween night. There will be games for kids, music, and of course, the BEST costumes around! Get to know other families in our school, dress up and have fun. Parent Council will be serving free hotdogs. If you are interested in helping out with the Halloween party, please let us know.

Also, this Christmas season, we will be doing our Christmas Tree sale. In addition, we are happy to introduce that this year we will be selling poinsettias. We are in the midst of confirming details, but just wanted to let you know and have it on your radar.

If you are interested in attending Parent Council, our next meeting is Wednesday, November 9th at 6:30pm in the library. We will also send out a zoom invitation for those who can't attend in person.

We look forward to seeing you all on October 27th at the Halloween Party. Also, if you have any questions or ideas for council, please email us at flhpstph@alcdsb.on.ca.

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See you soon,

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