

PAC NEWS

Semiahmoo Trail Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

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The Christmas Pyjama Drive



This winter, for the first time, our school is participating in The Christmas Pyjama Drive, started by a local 6-year-old named Reese Shelly (pictured above).

"In 2010, in an attempt to teach my son compassion we had a conversation that some families in our community go without gifts at Christmas," explains Reese's mom, Erin. "Reese's answer was 'not even pyjamas', which is a tradition I grew up with and have passed on to my kids. And with this...The Christmas Pyjama Drive was born!

Ever since then, Reese has been on a mission to provide new pyjamas for deserving kids and donate them to various Christmas Hampers & Community Outreach Programs. Over the last 4 years, through the support of donors he has collected over 7000 pairs!! Reese's goal for 2015 is to collect 4000 pairs but he needs your help!!

Now that Reese is 10, his enthusiasm for the project is really gaining momentum. With Reese's goal set even higher this year he would love to have your support and hopes to be swimming in flannel by the end of this Christmas season.

Last year, with the help from our supporters and the media attention we received on CBC's The National, Global News, The Vancouver Sun & many local radio stations and newspapers, we were able to reach more kids in more communities. It was amazing to see how our story spread through the country. Your donation will help outfit a child during our cold winter's nights. Pyjamas provide warmth and the feeling of security and will give children a sense that they have not been forgotten this Christmas."

Pyjamas can be dropped off to a box at the front of the school across from the office. Pyjamas that are collected will be donated to the Surrey Christmas Bureau (which serves White Rock).

For more information:

www.christmaspyjamadrive.com

www.facebook.com/The.Christmas.Pyjama.Drive

thechristmaspyjamadrive@gmail.com

To donate online: Christmaspyjamadrive.fundrazr.com

Next PAC Meeting



Our next PAC meeting is Tuesday, **November 17th at 7pm** in the school library.

Attending PAC meetings allows you to keep informed and have input into what the PAC is doing for the school community.

Come out to hear Principal, Paul Marsden, speak about the new curriculum and answer any questions you may have.

Look for our next PAC YAK on November 27th.

Usborne Book Orders



Just a final reminder to parents that Usborne Book orders are due Monday November 9th.

Thanks,
Your PAC

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