

Parent Council Newsletter

SPS Parent

Council

Activities Include:

- Fundraising to enhance educational opportunities for our students;
- Providing input and advice on the operations, programs and policies of the school;
- Organizing social activities to enhance the school community; and
- Striving to be an active, engaging and effective voice.

The next Parent Council Meeting will be at 7pm on Tuesday, 16 February 2016, in the school lobby.

Please consider joining us! All are welcome.

YOUR FUNDRAISING DOLLARS AT WORK: NEW TECHNOLOGY AT SPS

In October 2015, Parent Council voted to allocate funds to Stittsville Public School for the purchase of iPads and ceiling-mounted projectors for each classroom.



We asked teachers to provide feedback on the impact this fund-raising supported initiative is having in SPS classrooms.

How are you using the iPad and projector in your classroom?

- I use the iPad to show videos, photos and articles to my students. They love seeing things projected versus printed on paper!
- I allow students to use the iPad to research various task-related information independently and in pairs.
- Groups have recently been using the iPad to film "Imovies" to assist with their health presentations! It makes their presentations so much more fun and engaging for the audience!
- Research, math apps, group work, displaying information via the iPad to the projector (learning videos, text, etc.).
- The iPads have been an amazing resource to enrich the curriculum, and make learning more fun and accessible for all students!

What impact has the addition of an iPad and projector had on your classroom?

- Kids are more engaged.
- Able to show real-life examples of things.
- Another source for research, as we generally do not have enough laptops to allow each student to research on their own.

"We are so appreciative of the iPads and projectors. They are making a real, positive impact in our classrooms. Thank you to the whole SPS community!"

-Stittsville Public School Teachers

Upcoming School Spirit Days:

January 29th

PJ and Slipper Day

February 5th

School Spirit Day
(Red and White)

Parent Council Contact Information

Have a question or comment?
We'd love to hear it!!

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*January is the perfect time to make, and keep,
those important New Year's Resolutions!*

****We are ALWAYS looking for volunteers to help
with our campaigns. Please keep an eye out for
sign up opportunities with Volunteer Spot. You
can also email us directly at
fundraising@spscouncil.com.****

Fundraising News: Keeping You Up To Date!

Happy New Year! With 2015 officially under our belt, the SPS fundraising committee is working hard on finishing off the school year with a bang!

Our first movie night of 2016, and our last of the year, is happening on Thursday, February 11th in the school gym. Come out and enjoy the movie "Hotel Transylvania 2" with your family and friends. Doors open at 5:45pm, movie starts at 6:15pm. The cost is \$5.00 per person, paid in advance, or \$6.00 at the door, and includes your admission, popcorn and a drink. Order forms for tickets will be coming home soon. You don't want to miss this fun family event.

February brings back our well loved "Little Caesars Pizza Kits" campaign. This year we will also be offering cookie dough as an option for purchase, and Little Caesars has added their AMAZING deep dish pizzas to this campaign. We are very excited for this delicious return and remind you to empty your freezers to make some space. You won't be disappointed! Please mark your calendars: Ordered pizzas will be ready for pick-up on Wednesday March 9th, and can be picked up at the school from 3:00pm-6:30pm.

In March, you can expect to see information about our Pink Shirt campaign come home. Wednesday, April 13th is the international day of pink. As in years past, t-shirt will be sold to help support anti-bullying and celebrate diversity. Long sleeve shirts will also be available this year.

In the spring, we will welcome back some of our highly anticipated and fabulously fun campaigns. Stay tuned for more details of our Spring Fling Semi-formal dance, Fitness bingo, and Vesey Bulbs.

Don't forget we also have ongoing campaigns happening too!

Never loose another mitten, shoe or water bottle. Mabel's labels are here to save the day! Check out <http://mabelslabels.com/> fundraising for more details on how you can support SPS with your purchase.

We are also collecting your Canadian tire money! Do you have a stash hidden away that you keep forgetting about? Or a few paper cents stuck in the bottom of a drawer? We can take them off your hands and use them to purchase outdoor equipment for the school. Just send in your money with your child and we will take care of the rest.

Are you eager to help out with fundraising? Do you have ideas for campaigns? A little or a lot of time to spare? We want to hear from you! Please email Donna Edwards and Kristin Harcoff at fundraising@spscouncil.com. We would love to hear from you!