

Maple Ridge School Council Corner – 2017/18 Final Edition



The 2017-2018 school year is over already...how quickly it's gone by. We've had an amazing year of events and activities including: movie nights, Purdy's chocolate campaign, pizza lunch, Lunch Lady (twice a week), Family Fun Day, and ongoing revenue from our Mabel's Labels, Boston Pizza, and Home Hardware loyalty programs. In addition to a couple of grants, these Council initiatives helped us generate just over \$16,500 toward the school which supported the following activities/product purchases:

- Emotional resilience workshops for K - Gr. 6 children and parents, and Grade 7-8 students
- Dance Momentum
- Mathletes
- Blues in the Schools
- Forest of Reading
- Classroom set of Chromebooks
- Yearbooks, leaving ceremony and celebration for Grade 8 students
- STEM supplies and gym equipment for Kinders
- Science equipment
- Sac TAMs
- Ribbons for X-country and track & field events
- On-going outdoor transformation effort

Council once again brought in a couple of after school coding classes through Hatch Canada <https://hatchcanada.com/>.

None of this would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of countless volunteers. We can't name everyone, but Council sends you a BIG THANK YOU!

We would also like to wish all graduating students the best of luck as they head to high school in September. If any of them would like to volunteer in future events (or even help the school in moving forward with the greening project), please send an email to mapleridgeschoolcouncil@gmail.com.

If you would like to see what's going on at Maple Ridge or ask questions to other families at the school, you can follow/join the unofficial *Maple Ridge Elementary School Families* Facebook group.

Finally, thanks to the school administration for sending communications related to Council activities on our behalf. We wouldn't be able to reach our school community otherwise.

Family Fun Day

Another successful year is under our belts. Families had fun in the inflatables, playing games and eating cotton candy! This event is highly dependent on sponsorship from local families and businesses. We would like to personally thank each and everyone of them:

National Arts Centre	Boston Pizza	Les Sommets water slides (Saint Sauveur)
Cosmic Adventures	River Pizza	National Gallery of Canada
Yalla Yalla	Sobeys	Kids Kingdom Orleans
Escape Manor	Ottawa Champions Baseball	Fun Haven
Adams Orthodontics	Peek-A-Boo Bean - Vicky Bisson	Escape Spa
Ski Vorlage	Orleans Bowling	
City of Ottawa	Menchie's	

Congratulations to our basket draw winners: Helen H., Linzmeyer, Dave N., Mark S., Wes S., Shelley, Samantha R., Tasha, and Bob.

School Garden and Weeding



If you do happen to walk through the garden over the summer and you see a weed or two, feel free to pull them!

Ongoing fundraisers

Just a reminder of our ongoing fundraisers...

Mabel's Labels

High quality, durable labels “for the stuff kids lose”. They customize a large variety of labels – sticky, iron-on, large, mini, metal tags, etc... – for all of your needs. Your order for customized labels can be placed on line and shipped directly to your house. Simply follow this link to our school's personal ordering website: http://mabelslabels.com/c/?type=fundraiser&b=1532&cur_website=base (forward this link to friends and family who may want labels!).



Home Hardware

Parents, guardians, family or friends who make a purchase at the Orleans Home Hardware (470 Charlemagne Blvd) just have to tell the cashier that they are associated with Maple Ridge ES. A part of the pre-tax amount will be donated back to our school every three months! No work is required at our end. So don't forget to mention our school!



Boston Pizza

Maple Ridge is partnering with **Boston Pizza (3884 Innes Rd)** with a new Earnback Reward program. The tiered system gives Maple Ridge a minimum of 10% of the bill total. Write Maple Ridge on the back of your BP receipt and drop it in the box at the host stand by the door. Families can raise money for our school and spend quality time together while eating at Boston Pizza!



Have a safe and happy summer holiday! We look forward to seeing everyone in September!