## A message from your friendly PAC

The winter holiday is upon us!

As we close out a tumultuous 2021, we'd like to offer our wishes of peace, kindness, good health and comfort for the winter holiday, and the coming new year.

#### Fundraising:

Thank you to everyone who ordered Spirit Wear, Neufelds, Coffee and Purdy's, and Hot Lunches! The updated profit from Spirit Wear was \$448, and from Neufelds was a whopping \$1281! We are still tallying up the Coffee and Purdy's numbers, but are expecting a profit of just over \$700. By now, you should have received your orders, and be well on your way to a successful holiday season. Our Winter Market in November was also a huge success! Profit from that was over \$2700!!! Thank you to all who attended!

### Upcoming Fundraisers:

**Save your holiday empties!** We will be doing a bottle drive in January to help you with your leftover holiday clutter! Everyone who <u>drops off bottles</u> at the drive will be entered into a <u>contest</u>! There will be a drop off at the school scheduled shortly after we are back from the break. More info to come in the New Year!

Save the date! We will be holding **Babysitting and My Safe Life courses on the February 25<sup>th</sup> pro-d day**. If you are looking for a way to keep your kids busy that day stay tuned for more information. We'll be building on our 2021 momentum to bring you more great products and activities in 2022!

# We want your feedback! Tell us what you thought of our fundraisers, and give us your awesome ideas for new ones!

### PAC Committee Update:

Positions still available: Grant writing, Fundraising Coordinator, Fundraising Volunteers, Tally Volunteers

#### Playground Update:

# WE ONLY HAVE A FEW MONTHS LEFT TO SECURE FUNDS FOR THE NEW PLAYGROUND COMING IN THE LATE SPRING!

Right now, we have around \$50,000.00 to put towards it, and we have high hopes for some grants to come through in the next few months. We are continuing to run as many fundraisers as we can, right up to the final moments!

Once we know how much we will be able to spend, we will be working closely with the playground vendors to put together a great new design (early in the new year).

Let us know your great ideas, or if you'd like to help out with the grant writing!



#### **Ongoing:**

If you want to get rid of your empties before our bottle drive in the new year, we still have an account set up at the Return It! Depot on 108A by the school. Be sure to bring in your refundable empties in a clear plastic bag, **BOTTLES MUST BE RINSED, AND HAVE THEIR LIDS ON**.

When you arrive, enter the school's phone number at the kiosk (604-588-5978) and print off a sticker for your bag. Attach the sticker and leave the bag. The depot will sort your empties and add the total to the PAC Playground Donations account. All funds raised will go towards the playground. Come in anytime with your empties (but before the rates change if you want your donation to really pop!)!

#### Upcoming events:

Our next meeting will be held online on *Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> of January, at 6:30 pm*. Please see our Facebook page (noted below) or watch School Link for more details. Everyone is welcome! Remember, if you have any questions about what your PAC does, you can email us at any time at <u>riverdale.pac@hotmail.com</u> or find us on our Facebook page, <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/Riverdale. PAC/.</u>

#### Gratitude:

We want to extended our appreciation and gratitude to all of our PAC Committee regulars, to everyone that responds to our calls for assistance and everyone who supports our fundraising efforts! We couldn't accomplish what we do without all of your help!



We are always looking for new members and volunteers to share the joy with, so if you're interested in being involved, please reach out!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!