

# THE SANDBOX



## *From the President:*

Wow....Spring Break already.

Hard to believe that we are well passed the halfway point for the year.

As we are near the end of March, we would like to have nominations for each position on the executive. The new group takes over for the May meeting and this is a great opportunity to get involved with your child's preschool. For those who sit on the executive, this is your parent job. As a coop preschool all these positions need to be filled so please consider letting Anne MacLaurin or your personnel rep know if you would consider an executive position.

There is a lot on the horizon in terms of fundraising for our preschool. Tamara Knott has lots

planned some very fun events including the Silent Auction and Garage Sale. Again....when it comes to organizing these events, we are it! There is no designated committee that appears when help is needed.

We have a few new students in our school. Please make every effort to introduce yourself to the families and welcome them. I know our 3's morning group has been quite excited to have a few new friends in class.

Thanks to everyone who chipped in for midway clean...I know our night was very fun. For those who were unable to attend, not to worry. There will be an opportunity to put in twice the time at the year end clean!

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## Dates to Remember

No March field trip

March 11  
Dr Kathy Gaul  
"Childrens Health  
and Fitness"

March 13th  
Purdy's Order Deadline

March 19th  
Spring Break Movie Event

April 3rd - 4's Field Trip  
Vernon Firehall Field Trip

April 8th  
Darren Laur  
"Part Two of Safe KIDS  
for Parents"

May 1st - 4's Field Trip  
Marine Ecology

May 4  
Silent Auction

May 13th  
Saanich Fire Department  
"Fire Safety"

May 23  
Family Garage Sale  
& Trade Fair

June 5th- 4's Field Trip  
Saanichton Ostrich and  
Christmas Tree Farm

## Fundraising 2009

### **Spring Break Movie Event**

**March 19, Arrive 9:30am, movie @ 10:00 am**

We have planned a Spring Break kid's movie event the should be great fun and will support our fundraising efforts.

Location is the Star Cinema in Sidney and the date is Thursday March 19 at 10 am.

\$5.00 tickets will be available at Parent Ed Wednesday March 11 and at the preschool in the rest of the week - please see Tamara, Marni and Kyrie.

We've elected to tailor the movie selection to preschool aged children and will select 3 or 4 shorter shows to enjoy.

### **Purdy's Chocolate Fund-raiser**

We all have to purchase goodies for Easter egg hunts so why not order great quality treats in advance and benefit the preschool at the same time.

Order forms for Purdy's Easter Treats will be available at Parent Ed Wednesday March 11.

**Orders must be in by Friday March 13.**

### **Silent Auction**

**Monday May 4, 2009**

Thank you to everyone who responded to the survey sent out last week. I appreciate your patience. It takes a while to learn to use software while you are distracted by your 3 year old.

Of the 20 respondents to the survey, 14 voted to go with Beklens so I've confirmed our booking and we are set to organize.

Stay tuned for complete information on tickets, silent auction item gathering etc.

### **Family Garage Sale & Trade Fair**

**Saturday, May 23, 2009**

Our annual closet cleaner is scheduled for May 23. Please no rain dances that week OK!

This year will include:

**Garage sale of family stuff.** Drop off will be that morning so we don't have to stockpile it in advance. We are asking everyone to price items BEFORE dropping them off. Stay tuned for pricing guidelines and want/don't want list.

**Home Based Business Trade Fair.** So you've emptied out all your closets. Now you can get stuff to fill them back up again! 10 tables are available to home based businesses. Please see Tamara if you are interested in booking one.

## Guest Speaker Calendar

**April 8th**

Darren Laur, Personal Protection Systems and Sergeant with the Victoria Police Department-  
**"Part Two of Safe KIDS for Parents"**

**May 13th**

Saanich Fire Department(speaker to be announced)- **"Fire Safety"**

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