

## **What We Fundraise For:**

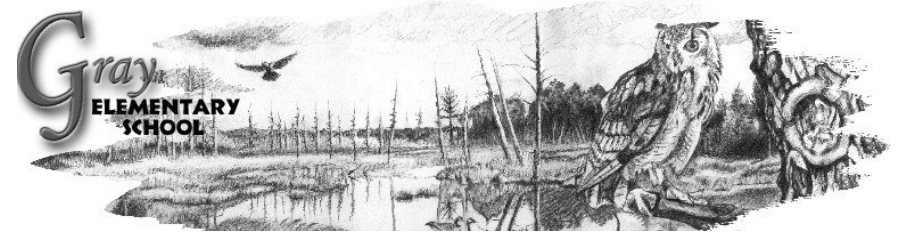
### *Yearly Contributions:*

- Sports Day Buttons and bottled water
- Funds to classrooms for supplies/incidentals
- School Calendar Fridge Magnets
- Two bursaries to Sands High School Graduates
- Funds towards Grade 7 Breakfast

*\* the Gray PAC applies for and receives a yearly Gaming Grant based on the previous year's school enrollment numbers. This money goes towards fieldtrips and other eligible items approved by the Gaming Branch.*

### **PAC Contributions:**

- Large Mounted Projection Screen in Gym
- Outside School Mural
- Basket Hoop Shoots
- Bicycle Racks
- Picnic Tables
- Interior Gymnasium Wall Mural
- Choir Vests & Sports Jerseys
- Choir Risers
- 1 Large & 2 Small Tents for Emergency Bin
- BBQ & Propane Tank
- Portable Sound System
- Information Sign (in front of school)
- New Gym Mats (attached to Gym Walls)
- New Playground Equipment



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# Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Gray Elementary School  
2013/2014

### **Who is the Parent Advisory Council (PAC)?**

All parents and guardians of students registered in the school are automatically voting members of the Gray PAC. The School Act gives parents the right, through the PACs, to assume an advisory role in every school.

### **How Does A PAC Work?**

PACs, with strong participation from parents, have an important influence on life at the school and the feelings the community has towards the school and education. There is strong evidence that increased parent involvement in the school results in increased student achievement, accomplishment, satisfaction, and bonding; all of which results in decreased dropout rates.

### **The Purpose of the PAC is:**

- To encourage and promote communication between the parents/guardians, teaching staff and administration in our school community;
- To provide parents with the opportunity to gain greater understanding of our school;
- To assist the School Planning Council in carrying out its functions;
- To give input into school-based decisions;
- To improve the sense of community in our school/ neighbourhood;
- To monitor and review school rules and conduct, the safety programs, the educational programs, learning material, equipment and our school building.

### **The PAC is NOT:**

A committee to discuss individual student/staff problems or conflicts.

### **Your Involvement:**

Parents are encouraged and invited to bring forth issues, suggestions or ideas by:

- Attending a monthly PAC Meeting
- Contacting a PAC Executive member;
- Sending a letter to the school addressed to a member of the PAC Executive;

By attending a PAC meeting you will find that it's a wonderful opportunity to meet other parents and become part of a greater school community. Parents/guardians can make a difference to the quality of their children's education by getting involved in what they are doing in school and by taking part in the school PAC.

The PAC meets on the 4th Wednesday, alternating between an evening and morning meeting each month. Look to our monthly newsletter, the school's website, the PAC window (near school entrance) or on the school sign on 80th Avenue for the meeting date and time. All meetings minutes are available in the blue binder located opposite the school office.

### **Current PAC Executive 2013/2014:**

<b>Chairperson</b>	Amy Burden
<b>Vice Chairperson</b>	Paula Hutton
<b>Secretary</b>	Sandra Baumeister
<b>Treasurer</b>	Lucie Seba
<b>Fundraiser/Special Events</b>	Ruth Kaune
<b>Hot Lunch Coordinator</b>	Jessica Mann
<b>DPAC</b>	Courtney Marsh
<b>Emergency Preparedness</b>	Mike Keller
<b>Newsletter</b>	Lori Guiton