

# ADAM BECK SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the Adam Beck school council newsletter. Here you'll find updates about school council activities and upcoming events, as well as ways to get involved.

**Our next council meeting will be on April 19 @ 6:30 p.m. in the studio (Mr. Mason's room). Everyone is welcome. Babysitting is always provided (in the library).**

- **Guest speaker Steve Chappelle (<http://www.stevechappelle.ca/>)** is on the agenda for our April meeting. He will be presenting on **social media safety**. We hope many of you can attend and hear what Steve has to say.

Contact Jeny or Karen (your school council co-chairs) if you would like to have something added to the agenda of an upcoming council meeting. Email [chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca](mailto:chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca) or leave a message in the "Chair of Council" folder located in the school office.

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## Updates

Here are updates on some recent school council initiatives.

### February School Council Meeting Recap

At the council meeting in February Mr. Yee updated council on the many school activities that took place in January and February. Committee leads gave updates on their work so far this year and on upcoming events, Night on the Beach and JuneFest.

Minutes of past council meetings are available on the school council website.

### Marlies Game Wrap-up

Our "AB Day with the Marlies" on March 3 was a wonderful success! We sold 526 tickets and raised approximately \$1,500. Special thanks to Mr. Mason, Ms. Dunbar and all the parent volunteers that helped

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with our student choir. We were all beaming with pride as we watched 101 of our AB students sing both Canadian and American anthems so beautifully! And although the Marlies did not win that day, we hope that everyone had a great time watching the game, dancing in their seats, hi-fiving players in the Fan Tunnel, riding the Zamboni, and participating in the post-game family skate. Thank you again for supporting this event!

## *Upcoming Spirit Days:*

- Eco Shirt/Hat Day – Friday, April 27
- Rainbow Day – Friday, May 25

## Upcoming Events

### Night on the Beach

#### **April 20, 7:30 p.m., Balmy Beach Club**

Remember to get your tickets to Night on the Beach! Make sure to arrive early this year. We have lots of fun activities including a photo booth, games and of course the silent auction and wine raffle. Tickets are limited, so be sure to order them soon at [www.munchalunch.com](http://www.munchalunch.com). We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event. You can sign up to volunteer on Munchalunch.

A HUGE thanks to our **Platinum Sponsor, Sean Starr, Royal LePage Real Estate Broker**, for sponsoring the event once again this year.

Can't wait to see you all there....let's make this the most successful year yet!

### Jungle Sport

Between April 16 and 20th the gymnasium will be converted in a super fun ropes course. Each class (JK-Grade 6) will visit multiple times during the week, and we may even open up for a parent evening! See the information that the school has sent via email and visit [www.junglesport.ca](http://www.junglesport.ca) to watch the videos on this amazing event.

### Call for 2018-19 Budget Submissions

Do you have a program or idea you would like to champion that requires money from the School Council budget to run? This is the time!

Here is your chance to propose an idea to be considered for next year's school council budget. The Budget committee, made up of volunteers from the Executive Council, will be meeting in early May to evaluate all submitted proposals.

- Click [here](#) to complete the budget request form and submit it by April 27, 2018. Please email [ABSchoolCouncilTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ABSchoolCouncilTreasurer@gmail.com) with any questions.
- If you prefer a hard copy form, you will find pre-printed forms in the treasurer's folder in the school office.
- Break down costs and provide as much detail and reasoning for the proposal as possible. This helps the budget committee evaluate and weigh each idea.

Contact [chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca](mailto:chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca) for more information.

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## Movie Night

Our next movie night is **Friday, April 13**. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie starts at 7 p.m. Admission is free. The link for voting on the movie has been sent out via email. The winning movie will be announced on Thursday, April 12. Pizza, snacks and drinks will be available to purchase. Don't forget your pillow, sleeping bag and reusable plate.

## Pizza Lunch

Our next Pizza Lunch is on **Wednesday, April 18**. If you haven't yet placed an order, would like to change an existing order, or would like to volunteer, please visit <http://munchalunch.com/schools/adambeck/>.

As usual, we are indebted to our generous volunteers who make this event possible, so please do consider helping out if you can. Remember, if you are volunteering you are welcome to bring younger children with you. (The pizza committee will send a direct email to all volunteers, with instructions, closer to the lunch.) In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the committee at [abpizzalunch@gmail.com](mailto:abpizzalunch@gmail.com).

## Rendez-Vous Café

**The next café is Friday, April 27.**

The monthly Rendez-vous Café brings parents and caregivers together to socialize, drink coffee or tea, and eat treats, all while learning about a local business on a Friday morning. A big thank-you to our March sponsor, The Richards Group ([therichardsgroup.ca](http://therichardsgroup.ca)).

The remaining dates this year are April 27, May 25 and June 22. We have some potential sponsors lined up, but are always looking for more. If this opportunity is right for your business or you have an idea for a sponsor, please contact Lisa Flood at [lisa.flood@sympatico.ca](mailto:lisa.flood@sympatico.ca).

## Mayfair/Junefest

Sunday, June 10, 2018, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mayfair is our final event held for students, siblings, friends and the community each year. It is an incredible fair held at our school. In the past we have had bouncies, obstacle courses, live entertainment, a bake sale, BBQ, cotton candy, face painting, dream baskets and so much more.

Back this year by popular demand: a taco/nacho bar!

We are always looking for fresh ideas. Please contact Michelle or Lisa with your questions or ideas: [Michellegrahman@hotmail.com](mailto:Michellegrahman@hotmail.com) and [Lisateliohome@gmail.com](mailto:Lisateliohome@gmail.com). Looking forward to a fantastic event!

**New for this year:** Please save all your CLEAN, GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING for the **Eco-Team Clothing Exchange at June Fest!** We will be collecting children's clothing to exchange at the June Fest. Please drop off your CLEAN, GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING at the office on June 6 and June 7. Any leftover clothing will be donated to charity. Thank you for your help, the Eco-Team.

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## Committee and Other Updates

### School Garden update

Now that spring has sprung the Adam Beck School Garden committee is excited to get in the gardens again with students. We plan on providing planting activities to help revitalize the current gardens and expand upon our new butterfly and edible gardens.

**Butterflyway Garden** - Thanks to David Suzuki Foundation's Butterflyway Project, schools and communities across Canada, including Adam Beck, are participating in a movement to help grow "highways of habitat" for butterflies and bees. Our butterfly way garden is located in the kindie garden north. This year we're going to add more yellow Sweet Ox Eye and blue Vervain in honour of our school colours :)



**Garden Etiquette** - As bulbs begin to bloom please gently remind students and siblings to be careful around the plants. Nature walks are encouraged, as is consideration for our school gardens. Same goes for the planters – enjoy but please don't break off stems and blooms. Thanks in advance!

**Buddy Benches** - We're happy to introduce additional seating to the play area! There are two new benches on the north side of the field under the shade of the tree canopy. The benches, constructed from high-grade Douglas Fir wood, are expected to help support our outdoor learning activities and provide another comfortable area for socializing.



If you'd like to get involved with the School Garden committee or if you have any suggestions regarding the school gardens, please email [adambeckgarden@gmail.com](mailto:adambeckgarden@gmail.com).

### Read-a-thon

Read-a-thon results will be announced at an assembly in the next few weeks. Thank you to students and their families for supporting and participating in this fun event.

### Mabel's Labels

Spring has sprung – make sure your kids items that end up in the lost and found are labelled for easier identification. Visit <https://mabelslabels.com/support-a-fundraiser/> and choose Adam Beck School Council from the school dropdown list to purchase quality labels. 20% of each order using this link will

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come back to Adam Beck and support school council initiatives. This school year we have raised \$223 from Mabel's Labels purchases.

## **Scientists in School**

Scientists in School provides young scientists from kindergarten to grade 6 with classroom workshops that are curriculum-aligned and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) focused. Council pays for one workshop per classroom. So far this year, 10 Adam Beck classrooms have enjoyed their Scientists in School workshop. The remaining workshops are being booked and will be happening between now and June. For more information on Scientists in School visit <http://www.scientistsinschool.ca/>

## **School Council Website – [adambeckcouncil.ca](http://adambeckcouncil.ca)**

Visit the school council website for the latest council news, information about upcoming events, how to contact council and committee chairs, and more. Check it out at [adambeckcouncil.ca](http://adambeckcouncil.ca).

## **Volunteering**

School council events and initiatives always need volunteers. There are many ways to help!

If you have questions or are interested in volunteering for pizza lunch, Night on the Beach, Mayfair/June-fest or anything else, please reach out to Karen and Jeny at [chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca](mailto:chairs@adambeckcouncil.ca).