



ÉCOLE ESCUELA
HOLY CHILD
Catholic Elementary School



**PARENT COUNCIL &
FUNDRAISING SOCIETY**

Parent Council 2025 Meeting

Wednesday, May 7th, 2025

6:00pm – 7:30pm Virtual meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85755829458>

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Agenda – PARENT COUNCIL (30-40min)

Caitlin McElhone, Jasmine Wong, Vanessa B, Christine Samson, Anu Rawat, Nancy, Rachelle Irvine, Robert s

1. Call to order (1min) 6:06pm
2. Welcome and introductions (2min)
3. Prayer & Land Acknowledgment (1min)
4. Holy Child Daycare (HCASC) Update (5min)
 - a. See below
5. Principal update: Christine Samson (10min)
 - a. Welcome Rachelle Irvine!
 - b. Excellent work on the school dance!
 - c. School wellness day today - lots of different activities for kids to choose from
 - d. Newsletter just went out & May calendar
 - e. Reminder: families to let school know if your child is returning to Holy CHILD in September or not
 - f. 25 French Kinder registered
 - g. 12 Spanish kinder registered
 - h. 291 students enrolled for September to date. Hoping for over 300 for next school year. School fees still being confirmed

- i. Results - ECSD Excellent Survey. Results posted on website
<https://holychild.ecsd.net/school-assurance-dashboard?SchoolId=8202&SchoolYear=2025>
 - i. School does very well in survey. Slight dip in results from 2024
 - ii. Mental health fall survey grade 4-6 students
 - iii. Successes: students feel like they belong, school is welcoming/safe, know where to find help, have access to activities for mental health
 - iv. Improvement: school supporting students (look at doing more), students commented on needing more sleep, thinking about how decisions affect others
- 6. Parent Council Update (10min)
 - a. Grade 6 School Dance - A great success!
 - i. \$2141 raised during the dance - tickets, concession and bake sale
 - ii. \$525 owing back to Fundraising Society for the DJ
 - iii. \$120/student Birchbay trip will now cost \$27.25/student which is incredible
 - iv. There will also be 2 freezie friday's coming up to support as well. Bring loonies/twoonies to purchase -
 - b. Ask parents for Christmas Market donations all year round - keep donation bin out
- 7. **Hot lunch** – Order and pay through www.healthyhunger.com | Last Friday of the month | Volunteers needed from 11:30-12:30pm to help distribute lunches to classrooms

Holy Child After School Care Program Society

Report to Holy Child School Parent Council

April, 2025

1. Enrollment

Room	Apr Enrollment	Current number of Children
Preschool	15 - MAX	69
kinder	21	
Grade 1-3	21	
Grade 4-6	12	
One room	Still closed	

Website: www.holychildasc.ca

For enquiries:

Prospective Families can send enquiry through website and even can fill the pre-registration form online to start the process.

If you have any comments or suggestions related to the board, please feel free to contact us at board@holychildasc.ca

Please see below some of the highlights for May and June and exciting announcement for the families:

Kitchen Use Update

First of all, we would like to extend a sincere thank you to the School and the Parent Council for allowing us to use the kitchen space. As discussed, we have now labeled the cabinets as well as designated areas in both the refrigerator and freezer. This was done to ensure there is still plenty of space available for the school's use.

If at any time you require additional space or have any concerns, please don't hesitate to let us know — we are always happy to help and collaborate.

Mother Day Celebration— May 9th:

To honor the amazing moms, grandmothers, aunts, and all the special women in our children's lives, we are excited to invite you to a Mother's Day Celebration on Friday, May 9th, 2025, from 4:00 to 5:30 PM.

Each classroom is preparing something heartfelt and special to show appreciation for you, and we'd love for you to be a part of it. Please join us for a lovely afternoon filled with sweet moments, surprises, and a cozy **tea party** in your honor.

Year End BBQ and Staff Appreciation– June 13th:

We're excited to invite you once again to our End-of-Year BBQ Celebration at HCASC! This special event is also a chance to recognize our amazing families, board members, and educators for their dedication and support throughout the year.

Families are welcome to bring gifts for staff if they wish.

Event Details:

Date: Friday, June 13, 2025

Time: Live BBQ from 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Highlights: Balloon Show, Balloon Twisting, and lots of family fun!

Update on Lunch Program:

- The Pilot Lunch Program, launched in November 2024, has been a great success, addressing growing demand from parents. The admin team, in collaboration with AHS guidelines, has developed a rotating menu with a variety of healthy meals.
- The program has been well-received by the children, and the Board has decided to continue the program through the summer to ensure families and children can continue to benefit.
- decided not to charge for food or implement any other changes at this time.

Summer Programming

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our educators in planning a fun, enriching, and memorable summer experience for the children.

- Please refer to the summer calendar for an overview of the exciting activities and themes planned for the season. These programs are designed to offer learning, fun, and adventure to make this summer unforgettable.
- A summer survey will be included in upcoming communications to help us gather information for next year's enrollment and better plan for programming and staffing needs. We encourage you to complete the survey to ensure we meet the needs of all children.

Summer Fees

- Please refer to the summer fee schedule for the upcoming season. We're excited to announce that this year, lunches will be included as part of the summer program.
- On certain days (e.g., field trips), families may be asked to send a cold lunch with their child.
- We'll provide more details closer to summer, including lunch logistics and any special requests.

Please reach out to our Executive Director by email at centre@holychildasc.ca OR anu.rawat@holychildasc.ca OR at phone number: [780-920-5813](tel:780-920-5813), if you need any other information.



Fundraising Society 2025 Meeting

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Agenda – FUNDRAISING SOCIETY (45min)

1. Call to order (1min) 6:43pm
2. Welcome and introductions (2min)
3. 2025 April Minutes approval and 2025 May minute agenda approval (2min) [Jasmine 1st](#) | [Lena 2nd](#) - All favour
4. Fundraising Society (10min)
 - a. Fundraising totals to date

'24-'25 Fundraisers	TOTALS (Goal in \$5000 Raised)	NOTES
Apple Boxes (Sept)	\$4775.00 Powerschool Revenue \$3455.49 Davison Orchard Invoice \$1319.51 TOTAL PROFIT	116 boxes sold in 2024 121 boxes sold in 2023
Tourtiere/Empanada (Dec)	\$6334.00 Powerschool Revenue \$438.00 Eventbrite Revenue \$912.00 Cash/Phone Orders	128 Empanadas sold (200 in 2023) 106 Tourtieres (156 in 2023)

	\$7684.00 TOTAL REVENUE \$2560.00 Sabor delos Andes Invoice <u>\$2637.60</u> Milk Crate Invoice \$5197.60 TOTAL EXPENSES \$2486.40 TOTAL PROFIT	<i>Look at different restaurants for 2025 (Acajulta?)</i>
Christmas Market (Dec)	\$291.00	
Salsa Night	38 tickets sold online \$456 + \$27 from cocktails = \$483 + \$20 cash donation \$503 TOTAL PROFIT	PICK UP CHEQUE
Honey Sales	TBC \$1100 purchased to date	
	\$4,599.91 RAISED TO DATE	

- Account balances (5min)

Good afternoon, HOLY CHILD FUNDRAISI

Bank accounts

Chequing 4056	\$4,824.78
Other 1 CASIN 6118	\$77,251.59
Total: \$82,076.37 CAD	

MONEY IN/OUT (April/May 2025) – General Account

- \$4824.78 in account
- Cheque (\$483) & cash (\$20) to be deposited from Salsa night
- Cheque paid to DJ for school dance - \$525.00 (to be paid back to Society)
- April 30th bank fee \$2.50

MONEY OUT (April/May 2025) – Casino Account

- N/A for May

- What items need to be paid for before the end of the year? String instruments (\$5000), guitars (\$2200), Rocks&Rings (\$1200), Musical theatre transportation (\$380) - update to come. Caitlin to follow up Amanda.
- NEW MOTION: Stage curtain quote(NEW): \$9800 quote from ECSD - Do motion over Whatsapp to group to vote on. Amanda shared quote. APPROVED Motion through Whatsapp - 5 votes yes, 0 votes no
- Basketball hoops - Look at other options, portable option from Costco? Christine to ask Ed Planning,
- NEW MOTION: Teacher gift allocation & ideas - \$20-25/teacher x 25 staff. APPROVED Motion through Whatsapp - 6 votes yes, 0 votes no
- NEW MOTION: Mundialito allocation & who to purchase food this year? Need to approve up to \$1200 to cover costs. Jasmine & Lena to purchase groceries at Costco . APPROVED Motion through Whatsapp - 5 votes yes, 0 votes no

Westridge Community Levy Funds - \$90,000 - Update? No update - may only get access to funds if playground equipment is needed. Revisit this now that Oliver renewal is happening next year. Add play structure to field?

Tim Horton's Gift card from Trustee - \$80 x2 - use at Mundialito this year

- Used at Christmas market (\$11 left on one card, \$80 on the other)

For discussion next time: Too many council/society emails set up now. Need to be consistent and use the main one only.

- **Upcoming event/fundraiser reminders (5min):**
 - Honey Fundraiser - On sale now through Powerschool. Pick up at the Art Walk on May 22
 - Family Photos for mom's day \$20/session - During Art Walk on May 22nd on the school stage
 - Mundialito June 24th - will be sending out volunteer sign up soon
- New items? Fundraising ideas
 - **MOVIE NIGHT** - Nancy/Lauren to plan - May or early June - Order pizza, sell popcorn/cotton candy for \$1, sell tickets, sell glow sticks - \$5/person/ticket
 - Possible Halloween dance night - look into for next school year. Use at school fundraiser
 - Look into parents making **tourtieres** again - Jasmine tennis contact may help, Ben's Meats has contact to reach out to (Nadia), Lauren asking contact as well, Nancy asking friend contact at NAIT,
- Adjourn 7:16pm

MEETING CALENDAR

Meeting Dates

All Welcome | 6:00-7:30pm

Virtually via Zoom

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Wednesday, October 2nd - AGM

Wednesday, December 4th

Wednesday, February 5th

Wednesday, April 2nd

Wednesday, June 4th

***Meetings will be held every second month this year. PAC members will meet each month for planning. Same link for all meetings.*