



# PARENT TEACHER COUNCIL 2018-2019

## FALLINGBROOK COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

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### Message from the Co-Chairs

In its twenty-second year of operations, the Fallingbrook Community Elementary School Council had another rewarding year.

We have much to celebrate, from the approval of a site location for a future outdoor classroom to having improved community safety for our students walking to school with a new crossing guard serving the very busy Montcrest and Princess Louise intersection. We also took great pride supporting the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the School.

And there's more! Please take a moment to read and reflect on this past year. We are immensely proud of our students' success. Go Falcons!

-- Keith Jansa and Christy Wilson

### Priorities and Goals

Shaping our priorities and goals for this school year would not have been possible without having had received such valuable feedback and insights from parents, guardians, school staff and the community like you earlier in the school year.

The Council's priorities are aimed to support:

- **Student Well-Being**  
*... a positive sense of self and belonging, and the skills to make positive and healthy choices to support learning and achievement, provided in a safe and accepting environment for all students.*
- **Facilities**  
*... physical space, both interior and exterior, of the school.*
- **Academics and Student Achievement**  
*... academic, athletic, artistic and extra-curricular pursuits that enhance and enrich the degree of student achievement.*

A big thank you for the energy, enthusiasm, and commitment as we continue to collaborate on achieving our desired outcomes.



**VISION:** Make a lasting positive difference in our students' lives and school community.

**MANDATE:** Dedicated to establishing an effective partnership between parents, teachers and the broader Fallingbrook community to enhance student learning and enrich the experience for every student.



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## Initiatives and Accomplishments

The Council remains a trusted advisor to the Principal and the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board (OCDSB) on education-related issues and decisions. In addition to its advisory responsibility the Council continues to drive several key initiatives to enhance student learning and enrich the experience for every student. This past year, the Council:

### Student Well-Being

- Partnered with Fallingbrook's Safe and Inclusive Committee to help devise and implement a comprehensive action plan to educate and promote mindfulness.
- Developed and implemented a communication strategy to enhance communications between parents, teachers, and the broader school community. We have been very active keeping in touch regularly over the school year on our [Facebook](#) page and through our new [Twitter](#) handle. Follow us!
- Hosted and welcomed 50+ guests to a community event on self-regulation in children and adolescence presented by the OCDSB's Mental Health Initiative Team, providing parents and guardians with strategies to help support their child's skills at home.
- Secured funding to improve community safety for our students walking to school with a new crossing guard serving the very busy Montcrest and Princess Louise intersection.
- Coordinated several school lunch programs and socials, including Pita Pit, Lunch Lady, the student favourite hot dog days, Halloween dance, Movie Nights, and Run 4 Fun.

### Facilities

- Received support from School Trustee, Keith Penny, and delivered a business case to the Board for A/C or an alternate mean to cool down the school.
- Updated the garden bed around the school sign and refreshed the bicycle racks with some new coats of paint.
- Advocated for inviting, comfortable, safe and accessible school, and secured funding to paint the exterior of the school, including a mural facing the primary yard.
- Collaborated with City Councillor, Matthew Luloff and in early stage planning for improving joint use amenities, including the addition of park picnic tables by the junior yard to serve the student body and community use.

*Your contributions are vital to making a lasting positive difference in our students' lives and school community. Get involved. Only by working together are we able to achieve great things.*



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## Academics and Student Achievement

- Secured approval of a site location for a future outdoor classroom and encouraged teacher involvement in the initial planning and design to provide new enrichment opportunities for student learning.
- Provided new opportunities for our students to hone their leadership skills and invested resources into reading, math and science – Scientists in School, dance workshops, and new books.

## Meetings

The Council held a regular cadence of meetings, the second Thursday of each month in the 2018-2019 school year.

Meetings were open to the public to encourage input from parents and other members of the school community.

## Parent Teacher Council Members

### Parents

Keith Jansa, Co- Chairperson  
Christy Wilson, Co-Chairperson  
Jenny Richardson, Treasurer  
Christine Eif, Co-Secretary  
Darlene Glover, Co-Secretary  
Kristy Fallon, Communication Coordinator  
Nanao Kachi  
Adam Goulet  
Graham Hogg  
Saylor Kain  
Barb Cram  
Danny McInley  
Allison MacNeil  
Rosemary de Bruijn  
**YOU** – Come join us!

### Staff

Josee Beaudry, Principal  
Tammy Richardson, Vice Principal  
Janet Stooke, Teacher Representative

### Community Representative

Cathy Miles, Global Child Care Services

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## Financial Statement

### Sources and Uses of Project Funds for the Year Ended August 31, 2019

Cash on hand for projects at the beginning of the period (September 1, 2018)	\$9,828.53
Add revenues: Net funds raised (see Analysis 1 below)	+ \$29,992.84
Subtract expenditures: Project expenditures (see Analysis 2 below)	- <u>\$25,594.06</u>
Project cash on hand at the end of the period (August 31, 2019)	<u>\$14,227.31</u>

#### Analysis 1: Net Funds Raised

Activity	Expenditure	Receipts	Net Proceeds
Run4Fun	\$2,491.00	\$8,426.70	\$5,935.70
Hot dogs	\$2,416.84	\$5,692.15	\$3,275.31
Pita Pit	\$5,899.50	\$7,268.50	\$1,369.00
Halloween Dance	\$593.44	\$1,438.75	\$845.31
Parent Involvement OCDSB Funding	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Movie Nights	\$84.17	\$396.00	\$311.83
Lunch Lady	\$0.00	\$128.80	\$128.80
Boston Pizza	\$0.00	\$96.59	\$96.59
Mabel's Labels	\$0.00	\$93.10	\$93.10
Banking Error	\$0.00	\$2.50	\$2.50
Scholastic Book Fair	\$5,949.75	\$5,949.75	\$0.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$17,434.70</b>	<b>\$29,992.84</b>	<b>\$12,558.14</b>

#### Analysis 2: Project Expenditures

Project	Expenditure
PTC Fundraising Costs	\$17,434.70
Scientists in School	\$3,510.00
Luv2Groove	\$3,118.80
F.C.E.S. 30th Anniversary	\$577.00
Sporting Goods	\$459.98
Outdoor Beautification	\$180.11
PTC Administration (e.g., supplies)	\$172.22
Outdoor Classroom	\$141.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,594.06</b>