



October 16, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians of Laronde students:

It's time again for our annual Fall Cheque Writing Campaign!

As many of you know, the Laronde Parent Advisory Council has three major fundraising initiatives: our popular Hot Lunch program, our Spring Fair (held every two years) and our annual Fall Cheque Writing Campaign which starts now and will continue through Friday Nov. 30, 2018.

The **Cheque Writing campaign** is simple and win/win for all involved; it allows the PAC to **keep 100% of the money raised**, and is **tax deductible for parents**. The campaign is designed to provide parents with the ease of writing one annual cheque which saves them the time and energy required to bake cupcakes, or pressure friends and family into buying cookie dough, coupon books or various other items.

The primary goal of the PAC fundraising activities is to enrich the school life of all Laronde students. Many popular activities and programs were provided last year including:

- French Canadian Dance with Trandensa
- Performances by Duffle Bag Theatre, and One Woman Circus
- Body Health presentations with Saleema Noon for students and parents
- Support for science enrichment activities like High Tech/High Touch
- Purchase of 15 new iPads to complete a full class set.
- African Dance with Jackie Essombe
- Zumba with Miss Natalie
- Emergency preparedness supplies
- First Aid training for lunch monitors

We need your support so that we can continue to offer these valuable programs to your children. If every family makes a contribution then we will easily reach our target. **We are suggesting that all families make a donation of \$60.00 per student.** Should you wish to donate more (or less), all donations will be gratefully accepted. If you work for a company that participates in a corporate giving program, please consider designating Laronde Elementary PAC.

We are faced with a major expenditure in the next 2-3 years: the replacement of playground #2. We will need an estimated \$100,000 for this project and we currently have \$64,291 of this saved. Last year we challenged you to help us raise \$20,000. You answered the call and we came close with a grand total of \$19,398. Let's see if we can beat that total this year. We need your help to reach our goals!

The Laronde Elementary PAC is a registered charity and we will issue tax receipts for any donation of \$20.00 or more. Please make your cheque payable to **Laronde Elementary PAC**. Cheques may be either dropped off at the office or given to your child's class teacher. You may also donate online through PayPal at the Laronde PAC website by using the "donate" link on the home page. **Please have all donations in by Friday Nov. 30, 2018.** If you require a tax receipt, please fill out the information on the donation form on the back of this page and return it with your cheque. For those that choose to donate online, please remember to return the completed donation form to the office. **Tax receipts will only be issued to those who have returned their completed donation forms.** All tax receipts will be delivered via email no later than 31 January 2019. Our charitable registration number is 820229466RR0001.

If you have any questions about the Cheque Writing Campaign please contact Tanja Phillips or Catharine Macrander at chair@larondepac.ca We can't do all these great things without your continued generosity. Thank you very much for your continued support from the PAC Executive!



Cheque Writing Campaign

Donation Form

2018-2019

To request a tax receipt, return this form with your donation to the school office by November 30, 2018. We will issue tax receipts for any donation of \$20.00 or more. Tax receipts will not be issued without this form. Please print legibly. (*We cannot send you a tax receipt, if we cannot read it*).

Please make your donation payable to **Laronde Elementary PAC** and fill in the following information:

Name to be shown on tax receipt:

Email Address (*receipts to be issued electronically*):

Mailing Address (including postal code):

Phone number:

Donated Amount \$_____ paid by PayPal OR Cheque

We are committed to enriching the school life of all Laronde students and we thank you for your support!

Tanja Phillips & Catharine Macrander, PAC Co-Chairs
On behalf of the Laronde PAC Executive.