

## **SPRING FAIR 2017 IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Well it is hard to believe that we are only two weeks away from the Strawberry Vale Spring Fair. The Spring Fair is Strawberry Vale's largest family-fun event and raises money for the many exciting projects, programs, and initiatives that our PAC supports at the school. Money raised from the fair supports school-wide assemblies, field trips, athletic programs, artist-in-residence programs, Eco-Literacy Day, and the Nature Play Perimeter Pathway. We raised about \$10,000 at each of the last two fairs!

### ***How your family can help:***

#### **1. Items and Gift Cards for Themed Raffle Baskets: *(donation deadline June 5<sup>th</sup>)***

We still need A LOT more items for the Raffle Baskets. NEW items or gift cards are greatly appreciated. Donations can be purchased or requested from local businesses. Consider asking friends, family or businesses you frequent for a donation (i.e., children's activities, salons, stores, services, etc.). Families can contribute to ANY of the themed baskets even if your child is not in that division. Bins for the raffle basket donations are outside every classroom. See Page Two for a list of themes and donation suggestions. A SVE PAC donation request letter is available from Kristie at [chikarafitness@shaw.ca](mailto:chikarafitness@shaw.ca).

#### **2. Items and Gift Cards for Bag Bonanza: *(donation deadline June 5<sup>th</sup>)***

We are asking SVE families to kindly donate items in new or excellent-used condition for our Child Grab Bag Bonanza! The items are used to create surprise grab bags. Examples of grab bag items from previous Spring Fairs include: arts & craft materials, books, \$5-\$10 gift cards for stores (e.g., book, toy, food, or activity), water bottles, stickers, toys, games, T-shirts, children's jewellery, sports equipment and more. Great motivation for a spring-cleaning! All Bag Bonanza donations can be dropped off in the office.

*Questions about the Bag Bonanza can be directed to Raven at [ravenyager@gmail.com](mailto:ravenyager@gmail.com)*

#### **3. Cakes for Cake Walk**

The cake walk is one of the most popular stations at the fair, which means we need a lot of cakes, both homemade and store bought! We encourage you and your child to get messy and creative - flavour, style, size are all up to you. All cakes need to be dropped off in the gym between 7:30-9:30 a.m. on Friday, June 9th. Please label homemade cakes with the student's name and division.

Two fun bonuses: 1) All homemade cakes will be entered into a contest and the students will choose their favourite cake during the day. The winner will receive a prize and 2) Everyone who donates a cake (store bought and homemade) will be entered into a draw to win a super fancy cake.

*Questions about the cake walk can be directed to Kai at [kai.hb.riecken@gmail.com](mailto:kai.hb.riecken@gmail.com)*

#### **4. Baked Goods for the Bake Sale**

There will be a bake sale at the fair. We are putting out a request for cookies, bars, fudge, rice crispy squares or any other yummy treats that your family can contribute. These items should be packaged in small quantities, such as half dozen or less please. For specialty items (e.g., gluten-free, nut-free), all packages need to be labelled including a complete ingredient list and baker's name. All the proceeds from the bake sale go directly to our amazing PAC. All bake goods can be dropped off in the gym between 7:30-9:30 a.m. on Friday, June 9th.

*Questions about the bake sale can be directed to Petra-Ann at [nikishajones@yahoo.ca](mailto:nikishajones@yahoo.ca)*

#### **5. Volunteers needed:**

Thank you everyone who has already signed up for a volunteer position. There are still many positions to fill! Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0948a4aa2ea3fe3-strawberry1>

*Questions about volunteering can be directed to Moira at [moiandcraig@gmail.com](mailto:moiandcraig@gmail.com)*

## **Raffle Basket Themes and Donation Suggestions by Division**

Div.	Teacher	Theme	Suggested Items
1	Tregear/Piercy	Horse Lovers	Gift card to Green Hawk, horse themed items, horse stuffy, riding gloves, Murphy's oil, cowboy hat, horse treats
2	Crawford	lululemon tree	Families donate money towards the purchase of a lululemon gift card; one person from the class goes to pick-up the gift card; class designates a person to approach lululemon for a donation; raffle basket organizers will make this basket look appealing like a "Lemon Tree"
3	Brookes	Movie Night	New DVD's, popcorn shakers, movie passes (cheap passes at Costco), popcorn bowls, iTunes gift card; chips
4	Marley/Cech	Go Green / Gardening	Environmental cleaning supplies, biodegradable bags, stepping stones, gardening tools, seeds, plant food, gift cards for nursery/gardening store, watering can, pots
5	Ross	Book Club	Gift cards for book stores, NEW books, wine, crackers, tea, gourmet snacks, Amazon gift card
6	Parlee	Bath and Spa	Soaps, bubble bath, spa gift certificate (solicit donation from a spa or families pool money to purchase), candles, request donation from bath stores (Lush, Body Shop, etc)
7	Mackie	Picnic	Picnic basket, picnic blanket, plastic wine/drinking glasses, cutlery, plates, non-perishable food items, gift certificate to grocery store, wine
8	Horton	Baking and Cooking	Cookbooks, cooking utensils, baking trays, muffin cups, baking ingredients, baking toppings, kitchen timer, apron
9	Mead	Arts and Crafts	Anything Michaels; sketch books, crayons, felts, stamps, craft organizers, glue, tape, decorative stickers, paints, ceramic crafts, colouring books, gift certificate to craft store or activity (families pool money or solicit donation)
10	Roach	Family Fun Night	Board games, card games, treats, bowling gift cards, movie passes (families pool money to purchase gift cards or movie passes or solicit donation)
11	Neves	Coffee and Chocolate	Coffee shop gift cards, mugs, to-go tumbler, chocolate, coffee beans
12	George	Lego Basket	New boxes of Lego (families pool money to purchase Lego or solicit donation from toy stores)
13	Rossato	Outside Summer Fun	Pool floaties, sunblock, flip flops, beach glass wear, sand shoes, sunglasses, sand buckets, sand shovels, beach toys, beach umbrella

## Overview of the SVE Spring Fair

- **Date and Time:** Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Strawberry Vale School in the gymnasium, staff parking lot, basketball courts, and front field
- **Everyone Welcome:** This event is a family friendly fundraiser that is open to entire community. SVE families are encouraged to invite family members and friends to the event. The more the merrier!
- **Transportation & Parking:** available in the back of the school and along the streets – we encourage families to walk or ride their bikes as there will be limited parking spots available
- **Station Tickets:** Tickets cost \$1 each. Tickets can be purchased at the Fair from one of the three Ticket booths. Payment for Tickets can be made with cash or credit card. *There is a 2.65% surcharge for all credit cards purchases and this fee will be added to all credit card payments.*
- **Stations:** There will be ~20 stations and games for people of all ages to enjoy (See attached for a description of each station). Most games and stations will cost 1 Ticket with the exception of Bag Bonanza (costs 2 tickets) and Deluxe Face Painting (costs 4 tickets).
- **Food and Refreshments:**
  - Fantastic BBQ supported by Country Grocer:
    - Hot Dog (3 Tickets), Hamburger (4 Tickets) and Cheeseburger (5 Tickets)
  - Villages Pizza:
    - Pizza Slice (3 Tickets)
  - Concession:
    - Refreshments: Juice Box (1 Ticket), Water Bottle (1 Ticket), Hot Chocolate (1 Ticket), and Coffee (1 Ticket)
    - Snacks & Treats: Popcorn (1 Ticket), Chips (1 Ticket), Slice of Watermelon (1 Ticket), Cotton Candy (3 Tickets), Snow Cone (3 Tickets), and Baked Goods (as priced)
- **Volunteer Check-in:** Volunteers should check in at the volunteer tent before going to stations.
- **Themed Raffle Baskets:** We are receiving some amazing donations – take advantage of this opportunity to get some amazing deals. The draw will occur at ~6:30 p.m. following the 50/50 draw.
- **50/50:** The draw for the winning 50/50 ticket will be at the Fair at ~6:30 p.m. *The holder of the winning ticket must be present at the draw to claim the prize. If the holder of the winning ticket is not present at the draw, additional tickets will be drawn until the prize is awarded.*

## Overview of Stations

**\* All stations are 1 Ticket with the exception of Deluxe Face Painting (4 tickets) and Bag Bonanza (2 tickets) \***

**Angry Birds:** Children launch an Angry Bird ball with a giant slingshot to knock down cardboard Angry Bird “Pig” boxes.

**Arts and Crafts:** Free arts and craft station and sidewalk chalk.

**Bag Bonanza:** There will be several hundred numbered goodie bags with child oriented prizes inside. The prizes range from approximately \$2-\$20 in value. Children draw a random number and they get to keep the surprise goodie bag that corresponds to their number. Thank you to the families and business that donated prizes to this event.

**Bean Bag Toss:** Children stand at the line marked for their grade and they try to toss the bean bag into the holes of the game board. There are prizes for getting the bean bags in the holes.

**Bouncy Castle:** Children bounce in groups in the inflatable bouncy castle. This inflatable is geared towards primary grades.

**Bungee Basket Ball:** An inflatable game where two children have a bungee cord around their waists. The children run in opposite directions to see who can get the ball in the basket first.

**Cake Walk:** Each participant begins by standing on one of the numbers arranged in a circle on the floor. Participants move around the circle of numbers until the music stops. A random number is selected and the person on that number wins a cake.

**Dunk Tank:** Participants throw a ball at the target. The student dunk tank volunteer is dunked in water when the ball hits the target.

**Face Painting (Deluxe):** A professional face painter will be available for deluxe face painting. This station will be a scheduled event. Children sign-up for a timeslot and must return 5-10 minutes before their time. This process will limit the amount of time a child needs to wait in line.

**Face Painting (Standard):** Volunteer face painters will be available on a first come, first serve.

**Fish Pond:** Children use a fishing rod to fish behind a paper pond and the volunteer places the prize on the end of the rod.

**Fitness Obstacle Course Races:** Two side-by-side obstacle courses will be set-up and participants race against each other to see who can finish first.

**Kerplunk:** Backyard style game where students pull dowels out of a chicken wire tower that is holding plastic balls (similar to the traditional tabletop game with marbles).

**Obstacle Course:** An inflatable obstacle course for the children to climb through.

**Plant a Seed:** Children select an egg carton planting cup, label it with their name and division, add soil, and plant a seed. Some cups will be marked on the bottom to receive a bonus prize.

**Plinko:** Children release the Plinko ball down the board and receive the prize indicated by where the ball lands.

**Robot Lollipop:** Children pull out a lollipop from a robot. The bottom of each lollipop is colour coded. Children win the prize that corresponds with the colour on the bottom of the lollipop.

**Rollercoaster Ride:** A Step2 Slingshot “rollercoaster” toy will be set up for children in *grade 2 and under ONLY*. Though the ride is not far off the ground, bike helmets must be worn (provided) and adult supervision is required.

**Science Geyser:** A volunteer will set off a Coke and Mentos geyser every 20 minutes during the fair for everyone to watch and enjoy. For one ticket, children can conduct some of their own baking soda and vinegar experiments at a science table and enter to win a science based gift basket. Thank you to Michelle Hohertz for sponsoring this event.

**Wet Sponge Toss:** Children work in teams to see who can pass the wet sponges back and forth the fastest.

**Wheel-of-Wow:** Children spin the Wheel-of-Wow and receive the prize indicated by where the wheel stops.