



**CPF** *Canadian Parents for French*

**British Columbia & Yukon Branch**

### **Welcome Back from Canadian Parents for French - Saanich Chapter!**

We are proud to say that School District 63 is one of the only districts in BC that has made the important commitment to teaching French to all students beginning from Kindergarten. With most districts not beginning French instruction until grade five, our middle and high school teachers are continually impressed at the high level of French language skills students in our district have. This proves true in the French public speaking competitions which our middle and high school students attend locally, provincially and nationally.

### **"Thank You!" for supporting our Magazine Drive**

Our Annual Magazine Drive runs from Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Enter to **win an iPod Touch** with every subscription sold! Enter online at [www.qsp.ca](http://www.qsp.ca) (group number 16681) or bring your order to our collection table at the KHASA corner between 8:20 and 8:45 am on Oct. 7, 8, 13, 14 or 15. The draw for the iPod Touch which will be held during our CPF meeting on Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. Plan to attend and see who wins. We thank you for your support!

### **How does CPF support our students?**

- Advocate for access to quality French education programs (ensuring instructional time for Primary Core French is not cut or reduced; offering enriched French Programs/classes for Core French middle school students; and providing more French Language Curriculum for FI high school students).
- Provide French Resource Funding to the dual track schools within the district;
- Offer French cultural events at schools (music, authors, theatre) for both core French and French Immersion students;
- Work alongside principals and teachers to help create unique learning experiences both in and outside of the classroom;
- Act as part of a network of more than 45 chapters across the region who are continually advocating for better French programs for our kids;
- Maintain a website (<http://cpf.bc.ca/site3/index.php/home>) and send newsletters full of information including the latest research on how to address reading and learning challenges;
- Provide free access to CPF's database of all extended core French programs in Canadian school systems.
- Organize Concours d'art oratoire, a national public speaking competition for members, with terrific prizes including cash, books and \$20,000 university scholarships.

CPF – Saanich is run by parent volunteers and is funded by our **Magazine Drive** and memberships. Our **Membership Drive** is currently on and runs until October 31<sup>st</sup>. When you become a member during this time, 80% of your membership fee comes back to our district and will be used in our schools. You will also be eligible to win some amazing prizes such as: a FREE school performance by BC's Théâtre la Seizième, FREE Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) 4 Playland passes and 4 fair passes for the 2011 year; and much more. Please take a moment to consider becoming a member (<http://www.cpf.ca/eng/pdf/MembershipApplication2009.pdf>).

We look forward to your support and encourage you to become involved.

**You Are Invited to Our Next CPF Meeting  
Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 6:30 pm  
in Keating's Multi-purpose Room**

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