

WELCOME BACK TES STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FAMILIES

Now that we have a couple of full weeks of school under our belts, the Tantallon Elementary Schools Parent Association (TESPA), would like to extend a HUGE welcome back to all returning students, staff and families. We would also like to say a warm welcome to all new students, staff and families of TES and let you know we are extremely excited to have you join us.

WHAT IS TESPA?

To those of you who are new, TESPA is made up of all parents/guardians of TES students, both Junior and Senior, in one association. With the guidance of the TESPA Executive, all campaigns, events, and activities are volunteer organized and run. The main objective of TESPA is to raise funds, which then go back to the school for things like field trips, technology, cultural events, extracurricular activities and classroom budgets, to name just a few!

Along with campaigns, the association also holds various social events, which offer a chance for students, staff and families to have fun and enjoy being a special part of the TES community.

One of our most popular and favourite events, the **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** was well attended again this year and we hope those that were able to get out enjoyed themselves! It was a beautiful day for some socializing and sweet treats and we enjoyed all the smiling faces 😊 What a great way to kick off the 2016-17 school year!

TESPA GENERAL MEETING

The first TESPA meeting of the year will be taking place next **Monday, October 3rd at 7:30PM** in the senior building music room. Please come and join us if you would like to know more about TESPA and what we do! There are lots of opportunities for you to get involved with the activities and events that will enrich your children's time at TES. This year there are also positions open on the Executive Committee. If you are interesting in learning more about these positions before the meeting, please contact us at tesparentsassoc@gmail.com. There will be lots of opportunity for discussion and sharing of ideas as we look forward to another exciting year. Hope to see you there!

FUNDRAISING

For those who are familiar with TESPA, we hope this will be another fabulous and fun-filled year of events, campaigns, and activities for everyone. We had another successful year of fundraising in 2015-16 and raised just under \$29,000 – an amazing amount – so we send out an enormous thank you to all the volunteers who helped throughout the year. Details of how these funds have been allocated; which were voted on at our June AGM; are shown below.

TESPA Spending Allocations 2016-17

	Funds carried forward	Tantallon Senior	Tantallon Junior	Total
		19 classes	15 classes	
Classroom allocations \$350 per class x 34 classes		6,650.00	5,250.00	11,900.00
Core French		350.00	-	350.00
Resource		350.00	350.00	700.00
Learning Centre		350.00	350.00	700.00
Guidance Counsellor		350.00	350.00	700.00
Music		550.00	550.00	1,100.00
Phys Ed		550.00	550.00	1,100.00
Field Trips \$200 per class x 34 classes		3,800.00	3,000.00	6,800.00
Technology		2,500.00	2,500.00	5,000.00
Sign Maintenance Fund	1,750.00			1,750.00
Extracurricular Clubs		200.00	200.00	400.00
Landscaping Fund	3,200.00			3,200.00
Total	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 15,650.00	\$ 13,100.00	\$ 33,700.00

PARENTAL DONATION FORM

We have also attached a Parental Donation form. Some parents choose to give a one-time donation as they are unable to volunteer their time to other activities. If you are a working parent, please consult with your employer – many will match your donation or make one of their own. If you contribute to the United Way, you can select TESPA as one of your chosen agencies.

Get in touch with TESPA at: tesparentsassoc@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook: [TES Parents Association](#)

2016 TESPAs Parental Donation Form

The Tantallon Elementary Schools Parents Association (TESPA) uses many fundraising activities such as the selling of wreaths, planters, Spring Fling and more to raise funds to support our school. Over the last few years TESPAs has given parents the option to give a one-time donation if they choose not to participate in the other fundraising endeavours.

All donations, of any amount, will be greatly appreciated. With the current school population, if every family donated \$10.00 per child TESPAs will raise over \$8,000 to fund such things as literacy resources, gym equipment, musical instruments and new computer technology to name a few.

If you are a working parent, please consult with your employer – many will match your donation or make one of their own. If you contribute to the United Way, you can select TESPAs as one of your chosen agencies.

To make a parental donation, please complete the information below, and enclose your cheque made payable to TESPAs, and send to the school with your student in an envelope marked, TESPAs – Attn: Treasurer.

All donations over \$20.00 will receive a tax receipt so you can claim your donation as a charitable deduction.

Thank you for your support
TESPAs Executive Committee

PARENTAL DONATION

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ PHONE #: _____

AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION: \$ _____

(If contributing monthly please enclose all post-dated cheques)

CHILD'S NAME: _____

CLASS: _____

(Grade and teacher name)

For Office use only:

Cash \$: _____ Amount: _____

Cheque #: _____ Amount: _____

Receipt #: _____ Deposit Date: _____