

# *2024-2025 Year-end President's Report*

## Beacon Hill Elementary Home and School

June 27, 2025



## **Thank you for a wonderful year!**

It has been another busy year for Home and School. We would like to acknowledge our volunteers, committee coordinators, executive team, and Home and School members who have contributed their time towards enhancing the school life of our students. We would also like to thank our school's administration and staff for their ongoing support.

Home & School is a parent-driven organization with an open membership. Parents set the agenda, policies, and determine the mandate of the local association. It is not only a place where parents join together in friendship and teamwork, but also in partnership with the Beacon Hill Staff, Governing Board, and the Quebec Federation of Home and School Association. We aim to expand school life with activities, tools, and supplies for the entire school to enjoy. Our members have the privilege of sharing their voices to choose activities and decide how our fundraising dollars are spent. With your generous contributions and support, our fundraisers collected approximately \$24,000 after all expenses. We invite you to explore our year in review to see how H&S raised the funds, and how those funds were distributed.

# Year in Review

## How did H&S raise funds?

- School Supplies fundraiser in partnership with Editions Vaudreuil
- Friday Pizza lunches
- Enfant et compagnie extra curriculares
- Mitchell's soup fundraiser
- 2 Scholastic book fairs (\$ raised towards staff resources)
- 2 Super Recyclers trailers (fall and spring collections)
- "Big Box of Cards" fundraiser
- Monthly TCBY (funds to grad activities)
- Grad "guess how many candies in the jar" contest
- Grad 6 bake sale
- Lovable Labels
- Membership fees
- Online donations



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# How did H&S distribute those funds?

- Staff and teacher appreciation gifts, snacks & luncheons including: welcome back refreshments, holiday treats, 'Staff Appreciation Week' treats, and the end of year lunch for all staff
- Beacon Hill Boo Bash family event
- Teacher wish list items:
  - Music instrument repairs
  - Half the cost of all band rentals for grade 5/6
  - Class prizes and crafts for grade 5/6
  - Obstacle course ropes for Phys Ed.
  - New cross country ski equipment
  - Class prizes for grade 1
  - New rolling drawers for grade 1 class
  - 100 new folding chairs
  - Teacher planners for several grades
  - New shelves for the staff room
- Pumpkins for seniors at Maxwell residence, decorated by the gr 5/6 students
- Bagpiper in recognition of Remembrance Day
- Holiday hot chocolate, snack and juice for movie day, and classroom bingo prizes
- New H&S fridge
- Open House refreshments for new families
- Small token of appreciation to Mrs. Maurice and Mrs. Lynn in recognition of Principal's Day and Administrative Assistant's Day.
- H&S contributions towards Winter Carnival week including snacks, juice, bingo prizes and gift certificates for the Just Dance competition
- Juice boxes and snacks for grade 4 students on vaccination day
- Grad activities, yearbooks, gifts, end of year party, and hoodies
- Gifts for retiring staff and thank you gifts for H&S support staff (Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Maurice, Mr. Tony, Mr. Lag) on behalf of all families
- Grade 5/6 dance crew t-shirts
- Library and gym murals from Studio Ouest
- Terry Fox Walk -popsicles and participation gift cards for each class
- Garden commemorative plaque for Mrs. Mumme
- Updated plaque for Carolyn Waldo
- Name plates and classroom numbers for staff doors
- Gift cards to winners of the public speech competition
- End of year Carnival
- H&S website and online ordering platform



## What else has H&S done for the school?

*Our Home and School volunteers also helped to facilitate the following services:*

- Distribution of hot lunch service with 'Merenda catering'
- Distribution of pizza lunch every Friday
- Coordination weekly library volunteers
- Monthly treat trolley for all staff (baked goods and coffee provided by parents)
- Spirit Wear clothing via Royal Blush Apparel
- H&S survey sent out to all families to gather feedback on communication and engagement within the school community
- Monthly H&S newsletters to keep families up to date on all things H&S
- QFHSA information disseminated to all H&S members
- Holiday Market event for all students (3 days of shopping in the library)
- Homemade Holiday treats for all staff
- Delivery of staff organized holiday baskets to families in need
- QFHSA books for Staff organized holiday baskets
- Grad committee organized activities outside of the school, including I saute and bowling
- Facilitated Gr 5/6 Babysitting Course

## *A final word from your H&S president...*

Thank you to all families who supported our Home and School Association this past year, whether that be through time spent volunteering, donations towards our many events, supporting our fundraisers, providing baked goods for our wonderful staff, attending our monthly meetings, or through kind words of encouragement! We continue to do our very best to provide the students, staff, and families with extra support throughout the school year.

As I finish off my 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term as president of Home and School, I want to thank you all for your trust and support over the years. It has been a pleasure getting to know so many families, and working with such dedicated volunteers. I would like to encourage parents to reach out to us with any questions or suggestions on how we can continue to improve the services that we offer. Joining the H&S Association is a great way to meet new people, get to know the teachers and staff at the school, and become a greater part of your child's early learning experience. To attend H&S meetings or to become a H&S volunteer, you can reach us at [bhhomeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:bhhomeandschool@gmail.com). To stay up to date on all

things H&S, visit our website: [beaconhillhomeandschool.myshopify.com](https://beaconhillhomeandschool.myshopify.com), and follow the school's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BeaconHillElementary>

Wishing you all a wonderful summer,  
Catherine Fini  
*Mom to Madison (gr.5) and Annabelle Pitre (gr.6)*

**Home and School Executive Team:**

Catherine Fini, President 2021-2025  
Erica Ranjitsingh, Vice President 2023-2025  
Lisa Taylor, Vice President 2024-2026  
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