



Music Parents Support Group (MPSG) At a Glance

Did You Know?

- While your annual \$250 cheque towards the Music Program provides crucial financial support, the Music Program does not receive any additional funding from the school board for instruments, sheet music, repairs, transportation to events, and the many other ongoing requirements that make the Canterbury Music Program a success
- Fundraising events (large and small) raise over \$40,000 each year
- Over 250 volunteers are involved with over 40 fundraising and musical events throughout the year
- Music Nights are our largest fundraisers and involve over 400 hours of volunteer efforts (before, during and after)
- The Music Parents Support Group also assists the Grade 12 Graduation committee in their various fundraising efforts, which primarily help towards the “end-of-year” Grade 12 Recital

Fundraising and Donations → **SUCCESS** ← Volunteering

In addition to the fundraising and volunteering for events, there are countless other opportunities to get involved. We thank our parents who have supported the Music Program by: building shelves for instruments, designing tickets and posters, organizing international trips, taking photos at Music Night, delivering and distributing Fundscrip orders, hemming gowns – the list is long and the support has been amazing.

Fundraising

Here is a summary of some of the major fundraising initiatives this past year:

Music Nights – Fall
Music Nights – Spring
Citrus
DFS/Norcard
Fundscrip
Music Night DVDs
Music Night Silent Auction
Buttons and scarves

Grad Committee:
Memory Book and CD
Music Clothing
Grad BBQ
SPC Cards
Chocolate Sales
LaserQuest

Recent Expenditures

The success of our fundraising efforts allow for important purchases throughout the year. Here is a summary of some of the major expenditures over the past year:

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| Music | Pianos (in progress) |
| Tuba | Bows (in progress) |
| Gowns | E-Stand (in progress) |
| Trumpets | Bassoon (in progress) |
| Wind/strings chairs | |
| Arm tablets (tables attached to chairs) | |
| Violas (2) | |

Other Events

Every year, the music students have an opportunity to perform in the community, in festivals, in schools, and at many special events. Each event depends on the support of parent volunteers, funds from the Music Council as well as amazing time and efforts of our teaching staff.

- MusicFest Nationals
- Kiwanis Music Festival
- Feeder School Concerts
- Grade 11 Recital
- Grade 12 Recital
- Coffee Houses
- Music Socials (such as LaserQuest, Grade 9 Welcome Lunch, Skating on the Canal)
- Peace Officers Memorial, Veterans Vigil, CHEO Memorial Service ... and many others

Throughout the school year, the Music Parents Support Group communicates with parents, staff and students to help everyone be aware of the opportunities to support the Music Program and to get involved. View our Webpages (www.chsmusic.ca – Music Department, Music Parent Council, and Student Council areas) for news, updates, and other important information (such as event ticket sales). Ensure you are on our Email list (<http://www.chsmusic.ca/parents/stayintune.php>) and contact a member of the Executive with any questions.

Thanks again for your past and future support of the Music Program at Canterbury.

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