



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent,

Like last year we are excited to re-introduce the gift card fundraiser.

Progressive Fundraising purchases plastic cards from large, well known retailers at a discount. They resell the cards to us at face value and school gets to keep the difference as a fundraiser. Some of the cards are reloadable which means you just reload those cards in-store or online and our school receives a cheque every three months based on all the reloading done by all our parents.

Some of the participating retailers are; Choices Market, Starbucks, Save-On-Foods (Price Smart Foods, Overwaitea Foods), Loblaws (Superstore, Extra Foods, No Frills), Safeway, MarketPlace IGA, Cactus Club, Brown's Socialhouse, Pizza Pizza, Vancouver Dine (The Teahouse, Seasons in the Park, Cardero's, The Sandbar), Chapters/Indigo/Coles, Claire's Stores, Dollarama, Mark's WW, Rona, Home Depot, Lowe's, Staples, SportCheck/Atmosphere, Options (Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic), Pet Smart, Winners /Marshalls/Home Sense, The Children's Place, Keg, McDonald's, Subway, Tim Horton's, Earl's, Best Buy, Fairmont Hotels, gas cards (Chevron, Petro-Canada, Esso, Shell), Amazon.ca, and many more

How the Program Works:

1. Your child will bring home an order form
2. Determine which cards you would like to purchase in what denominations
3. Return the completed order form in an envelope with a cheque made out to Queen of all Saints School.

This year we would like to try and run the program a few times a year. Our first run through will be just before Christmas. Order forms will be made available in the school newsletter starting:

- November - orders and cheques will be **due November 30th**. Pick up will be week of December 12th

If we as a community fully take part the school could potentially earn quite a hefty profit and the great thing for us as families is, we are purchasing gift cards towards things we do typically purchase.

Example:

The average family spends \$6,000 - \$7,000 on groceries each year. If 100 families can purchase \$100 per week on all household purchases from participating retailers, the school can earn \$20,000 this school year.

(ie)	\$ 4,000	per family for one school year
	<u>x 100</u>	families
	\$ 400,000	
	<u>5%</u>	average return per merchant
	\$ 20,000	Profit for the School

Let us all participate by just pre-planning your regular weekly household purchases at retailers offering to support our school.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Claudia at claudiaclarke@telus.net