



Project for the Advancement  
of Childhood Education

## All the news around the PACE Canada Community

Dear {{ contact.FIRSTNAME }}

Thank you for your continued interest in PACE Canada activities.

Here are the highlights of this edition of the newsletter:

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- Tablets for Schools in Jamaica
- Adopt-A-School renewals
- Update on the JCA Walk Good Walk-A-Thon
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### President's Message

Dear members and friends,  
Since our last update in March 2021 PACE has continued to operate using virtual meetings and events and this Fall it seems we will have to continue in this mode for some time due to the COVID-19 DELTA variant now spreading here and around the globe.

Thanks to your continued support, PACE has accomplished much of our goals in providing support for the early childhood schools and teacher education in Jamaica and Toronto.



[Read the Full Message](#)



### Greetings from Dr. Mavis Burke

Dr. Burke is doing well and has moved to a new retirement home. She has a new phone number, and if anyone wishes to contact an email can be sent to Diana Burke at [president@pacecanada.org](mailto:president@pacecanada.org)

### Memories of Jamaica November Event

We have another exciting online event planned for Sunday November 7th at 2PM. Gather the family together and tell us about your favourite memory of Jamaica. We will provide music and a variety of entertainment.

**Funds raised from this event will be added to our "Tablets for Schools" project.**

[Learn more about this event](#)

**Take A Walk Down Memory Lane With PACE Canada**  
Sunday November 7th, 2PM to 4PM  
(Virtual event via Zoom)

What is your fondest memory of Jamaica?

- \* Dancing Ska or Calypso
- \* Climbing Waterfalls
- \* Scenery & Beaches
- \* Early Childhood Years

Join us along with your family to possibly share a memory they never heard before.

We provide Music, Songs, Poetry, Painting, Stories, Folklore, Prizes and surprises!!

Suggested Donation: Family \$40 Individual \$20

**Event and Ticket Info**  
[www.pacecanada.org/memories](http://www.pacecanada.org/memories)



### Tablets for Schools in Jamaica

PACE member, Majorie Angel Brown, delivered one of the sample tablets to Karlene Deslandes, Director of the ECC in Jamaica so that they could do their own evaluation of the devices.

[Read the latest news about this project](#)

### Adopt-A-School Renewals

The next transfer of AAS funds to Jamaica is going out at the end of October. Renewal notices will be sent out on September 24th so check your email inbox (and junk mail folder) for your reminder. Don't wait for your renewal notice. Click the button below to send your donation today.



[Donate Online](#)



### JCA Walk Good Walk-A-Thon

Various PACE members participated in the JCA Walk-Good Walk-A-Thon on June 27, 2021. During the event Diana Burke was interviewed on the Charles Matthew Show to describe why PACE was supporting this worthy cause and how the funds would be used.



### PACE Board Member Maxine Bailey

Here is a photo of Maxine during her participation in the walk. She recorded a video to encourage her friends and family to make a donation.



### Jamaica's 59th Anniversary of Independence Reception

PACE Canada Board Member, Andria Barrett, represented us at the reception to celebrate Jamaica's Anniversary of Independence. It was an opportunity to meet Her Excellency Sharon Miller (Jamaican High Commissioner to Canada) and Lincoln Downer (Consul General). The function was held at the Consulate office in Toronto on Thursday, August 12, 2021.

### Impact of Online Learning for Early Childhood Education

Principal of Epsom Basic School in St Mary, Carleta Thomas-Douglas, has asserted that though online instruction is not ideal for young children, its effectiveness could significantly improve if parents are more involved in the process.



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