



# SAC NEWS

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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR OUTGOING (2022/2023) SAC CO-CHAIRS

Dear Dovercourt community,

We had a busy year at SAC in 2022/2023—dealing with the lingering aftermaths of the COVID pandemic and with ongoing cuts to Ontario education and our classrooms.

It was a year of organizing, forming alliances with other schools, and protesting the cuts.

But it was also a year of rejuvenation and fun, with events such as Spring into Summer (and seeing our wonderful students take the stage and perform), our Staff Appreciation Lunch, and saying goodbye to our Grade 8 students.

Our community is resilient, and it's been a true pleasure working with everyone.

We look forward to seeing the Dovercourt community continue to flourish and grow in the upcoming school year.

Thank you all for your support!

**Alejandra González Jiménez  
and Elaine Hua**

*SAC Co-Chairs, 2022/2023*



## Meet your SAC: Our 2023/2024 leadership team

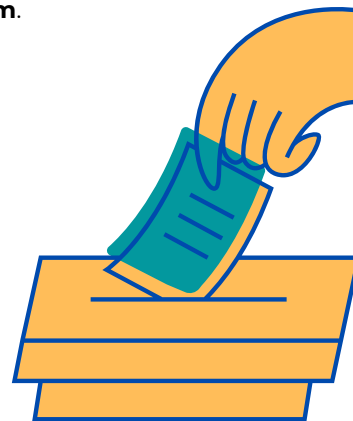
Every year, Dovercourt SAC elects volunteers to leadership positions to help steer and manage various initiatives. At our meeting on October 25th, we held elections for the 2023/2024 school year.

Here is your 2023/2024 SAC leadership team:

- **Co-Chairs:** Peggy Gibbons and Ben Peto (alternate: Lisa Clapperton)
- **Secretary:** Nuno Silva (alternate: Melanie Kramer)
- **Treasurer:** Sarah Weaver (alternate: Ben Peto)
- **Communications:** Deborah Aarts
- **Events Team:** Lisa Clapperton and Hilary Hall
- **Community Outreach and Ward Rep:** **Vacant**
- **Community Rep:** **Vacant**
- **Enrichment:** Melanie Kramer
- **Greening / Eco Team:** Vivian Fleet and Deborah Walsh
- **New: Pride Subcommittee:** Karine Silverwoman (support: Chris Antonik)
- **New: Stop School Cuts Subcommittee:** **Vacant**

If you're interested in taking (or sharing) one of our open positions, we'd love to hear from you! Please come to our next SAC meeting on November 22nd, or email us at [dovercourtcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:dovercourtcouncil@gmail.com).

A friendly reminder:  
you do not need to volunteer for an elected role to get involved in SAC! The more brains and hands we have to help out, the better—and there's so much talent in our school community, and there's always lots to do. If you are curious, just show up to a meeting! The more, the merrier.



## BY THE NUMBERS: 480



That's how many slices of pizza we fed to to hungry kiddos and families at the Welcome Back Open House on October 12th. We also served up 100 beef patties, 200 samosas, and a heaping bushel of farm-fresh apples.

Thanks to our fundraising efforts, we were able to feed our school community at no cost to attendees—a win-win for all!

## Fresh from the Farm fundraiser: Great produce coming soon!

Our Fresh from the Farm fundraiser was a great success! We're still collecting payment for a few orders, but your orders of fresh Ontario produce have generated more than \$1,000 in funds for our school!

(Psst: If you *haven't* paid yet... please email Deborah Aarts at [deborah.aarts@gmail.com](mailto:deborah.aarts@gmail.com) ASAP to get squared up!)

All orders will be delivered to Dovercourt at a date still to be determined in between November 6th and December 7th. As soon as Fresh from the Farm gives us our delivery date, we'll email you with details to collect your delicious apples and/or vegetables.

We will need parent, guardian or high-school-aged student volunteers (hello, volunteer hours!) to help us distribute our orders on delivery day. If you're interested in chipping in, please email us at [dovercourtcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:dovercourtcouncil@gmail.com).



## Welcome Back Open House: Thanks for showing up, Dovercourt!

Thanks to everyone who came out to our Welcome Back Open House, which took place on October 12th—just before Curriculum Night. It was great to see so many families filling the school. We took in a bunch of new Fresh from the Farm orders, raised more than \$200 in our raffle, and swapped a bunch of gently used winter gear and Hallowe'en costumes.

Huge shout-out to everyone who volunteered to set up, clean up, or help out—and to the hungry kiddos who patiently waited when the pizza was stuck in traffic!

## Next SAC meeting: November 22nd

Our next SAC meeting will be November 22nd, 2023 in the staff room at Dovercourt PS, starting at 6:00pm. (Please note the start time.) As always, childcare is available. Come hear from Dovercourt staff, meet our new council members, and share your ideas!



## Show your school pride: Our new store is open!

Good news, Dragons! SAC has opened a new online store for Dovercourt Spirit Wear, using Entripy, a GTA-based apparel company and TDSB-approved supplier. Check out the new online store at [dovercourtspiritwear.entripyshops.com](https://dovercourtspiritwear.entripyshops.com).

### Here's how it works:

- Visit our online store (using the link above or the QR code below).
- Pick your favourite item from several colours, styles, and sizes of t-shirts, hoodies, sweatpants, and hats.
- Customize the size and colour of your Dovercourt Dragons logo—and even add your name (for an added fee).
- Once you've picked all your orders, check out using Visa or Mastercard. \*
- Your order will be shipped within 4 to 7 business days.
- Wear your new Spirit Wear with pride!

The best news? Once we meet our minimum order with Entripy (we're close!) Dovercourt gets 10% of each sale!

For more details about the new Entripy Spirit Wear shop, and answers to frequently asked questions, please visit [dovercourtsac.com/spirit-wear](https://dovercourtsac.com/spirit-wear).



\* **No credit card? No problem!** We plan to sell Spirit Wear t-shirts for debit or cash at future SAC events.

## SAC AT WORK: FALL FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS

SAC regularly supports funding requests from the school's staff and students, using money raised in our fundraising efforts. Here's a bit of what we've backed so far this year:

- \$30 for Student Council's Hallowe'en candygrams fundraiser
- \$150 to support the school's Ukelele Club
- \$762.75 to bring in a Mystic Drumz enrichment experience

