



The DPAC's Playground and Fundraising Committees have been busy planning new playgrounds and a fundraising campaign! The first phase will include a replacement structure for the wood pieces of the primary playground, followed closely by replacing the wooden structures of the intermediate playground. A sub-committee is working on a future plan for natural elements! Funding these playgrounds will require a group – or should we say SCHOOL – effort! Thanks, in advance, for your support! DPAC (dpac.doncaster@gmail.com)



Important Dates

Oct 13 – due date for artwork
Submit to office to be made into greeting cards (art size 8 ½ x 11 recommended)

Oct 19 – Primary playground plans are revealed, VOTING STARTS for Playground A or B (coinciding with the Federal Election – please VOTE!)

Oct 27 – DPAC Hot Lunch

Oct 30 – Halloween Dance and announcement of preferred playground

Coming Up..



Local Merchants

Please continue to support DPAC by giving Doncaster's name at the following local merchants:

- Soap Exchange (1393 Hillside)
- Cobs Bread (3639 Shelbourne)

And by using your Fairways or Thrifty's cards (available in the office)

Halloween Dance

Get your costumes ready because the DPAC Halloween Dance is right around the corner! There will be scare stations, games, treats, dancing and of course lots of fun! As always the event is free but you might want a loonie or two for the activities! Fri Oct 30

Forest Clean-Up

Join a fun group of parents after school on Tues Oct 13 at 3pm to clean-up the rocky area of Garry Oak Meadow. A few minutes will help keep that area clean for our kids! Meet at the rocks. Contact Bonnie bonniedavisonhome@gmail.com for info.

**gloves/garbage bag; provided*



FUNdraising

DPAC is kicking-off a bevy of fun and fundraising activities! Any and all help is much appreciated, and any great fundraising ideas are most welcome!

October – kids art cards and Halloween Dance

November – magazine orders due, craft fair, scratch book

December – movie night

January – TBD

February – bingo night

March – scrap metal collection

April – golf tournament

May – Spring fair/thing and/or spring craft fair

If you have anything to donate, have great community contacts or just want to lend a hand, we would love to hear from you:

Email us: dpac.doncaster@gmail.com

Let's put the FUN in fundraising!

Art Cards

Get drawing!

Children, in their classroom with teachers or at home, can submit a piece of art (such as drawing or painting – nothing glued) on an 8 ½ x 11 sheet to be made into a card (sample is free). Cards can be ordered in time for Christmas and will be blank on the inside (therefore also good as anytime greeting cards).

Names and Division need to be written on the reverse side of the artwork. Submit art to office by **OCT13** (*note art can not be returned*)

Donated crafts needed for a craft fair table benefitting the PAC's playground fund! Help support our kids by doing what you love to do! Email doncastercraftfair@gmail.com if you have any crafts to donate.

Jerseys

The DPAC is pleased to announce 100 new sports jerseys (t-shirts) are on order! Light blue with gray side stripes, these wick-away jerseys will replace our old cotton t-shirts. Look for them on our sports teams this Winter!

Donations for Kids' Room at Craft Fair

This year the DPAC craft fair will include a kids' room where for a small donation your child can pick up a gently-used present for someone they love then wrap it themselves! Donations of new or gently-used small gift items (for her, for him and for kids) can be dropped off in the box outside of the office.

Playground Fundraising Info

Did you know... the Doncaster school playground is over 30 years old and the wood is slowly rotting in the ground? The school district will continue to remove pieces of equipment and/or whole structures as it deteriorates? The primary playground already lost the beloved monkey bars and rings structure in January 2015.

Did you know... school playgrounds are not funded by the government and it falls on school PACs to raise funds towards the cost of the equipment and installation?

Did you know... playground equipment and installation is very expensive and can cost hundreds of thousands of dollars?

The Doncaster PAC has been preparing for the need for new playground equipment over the past few years and we have worked this past year to select replacement structures for both the primary and intermediate playgrounds with room for future development.

Now the FUNdraising begins. Our fundraising goal to replace the wood pieces of both playgrounds is \$160,000. We are working on a variety of fundraising programs and events to involve Doncaster families, friends, and the community. Stay tuned for details!

For more information and to track our fundraising progress, please visit the DPAC website.

Donations can be made online securely using PayPal.
<https://doncasterpac.wordpress.com/>

