

Hello families!

The Cootes Paradise Home and School Association (HSA) would like to extend a warm welcome to all Cootes families, old and new. 😊

We are a group of parent volunteers committed to the education, health, safety and social well-being of our Cootes kids! We aim to build relationships between families and teachers, support our school in educational and recreational endeavours, and to build a sense of citizenship and belonging in our community.

Last year, the Home and School Association:

- Organized and ran **community events** like the Chalk and Talk, Pumpkin Hike, Skate & Bake, Book Swap, and Staff Appreciation Lunch.
- **Improved the outdoor space** by adding line painting to the playgrounds, purchasing chalkboards for the kinderpen, and purchasing a shed and outdoor equipment for the junior yard.
- Organized the sale and distribution of Cootes Paradise **spiritwear**, like T-shirts and hoodies.
- Organized pop-up **popcorn days** in classrooms.
- **Subsidized trips** for kindergarten, grade 2 and grade 3 classes, and supported the grade 5 year end trip and farewell.
- **Donated \$850** in grocery gift cards to families.



We love to have new parents or caregivers join our team! There are lots of ways to participate, from being a voting member to volunteering for a single event. No commitment is too small... we value whatever you can bring to our table.

If you'd like to learn more about the HSA, please attend our first meeting on Thursday, September 19th (time and place to be determined) or email us at cootes.paradise.hsa@gmail.com.

See you soon!

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