Jackman Community Daycare February 2020 Newsletter

Winter Concert Grades 1-6

Our Annual Winter Concert for children in Grades 1-6 is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **February 26th from 5:30-6:30 PM** in the GPR. We plan to hold a dress rehearsal on Tuesday the 25th from 4-5 PM so please plan to pick up after 5 that Tuesday. *We will be holding a 2nd concert for the younger children on April 1.*

2019 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for all childcare fees paid in 2019 will be sent home in mid-February. If just one name was on the cheque, then the receipt will be addressed to that one parent. If the names of both parents were on the cheque then receipts are addressed to "Parents of X child." If you want the receipt addressed differently, both parents must consent to the change. Please direct any requests and questions to Donna at Jackman.Donna@Bellnet.ca.

Room Calendars

Each program room has a web page where you will find the monthly room calendar and other important information.

Possible Strike Days

Please watch the news and emails from the Daycare regarding TDSB labour updates. Teachers are poised to strike February 6 & 7. If this happens, our part-time Nursery School program will be closed and all of our Daycare program rooms will be operating on a PA day schedule from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM. Please plan to drop off by 9 AM and pick up after 4 PM when the front doors of the school are open.

What Happens in the Summer?

Every child currently attending Jackman Community Daycare (not Nursery School) can access care in the summer. The type of summer offering depends on what program your child is currently attending.

Children currently enrolled in our Preschool or JK programs automatically have full-time care throughout the summer. The July & August calendars will be available in June. No additional registration is required.

Children currently in SK, as well as all children currently in grades 1-5, will need to register for summer camp. Camp is sold by the week and families will need to plan ahead (see below).

Jackman Summer Camp Grades 1-6

Daycare staff are planning exciting summer camp trips and activities. Summer Camp calendars will be emailed to families and available on our website on Friday, February 28.

Camp registration forms will be electronic this year starting March 2 at Noon. A registration link for our two camp programs (grades 1 & 2 and grades 3-6) will be emailed out Monday, March 2 at 12 Noon.

Camp programs are based on what grade your child will be in for September 2020 (current SK children will register for the grade 1&2 camp and grade 2 children will register for the grade 3-6 camp). You will need to fill out one form per child.

In order to hold a Daycare spot in September, all daycare families with children going into grades 1-6 must register for at least 2 weeks of camp. Camp registration will run from March 2-31 on a first come, first served basis. Spaces are limited and weeks will fill up before the end of March so register early to secure the weeks you need.

The cost is \$336 per week. Camp runs from Monday June 29 through Friday September 4. Hours of operation are 7:30AM-6:00PM. We will be closed Friday June 26 & Monday August 30 as prep days. We will also be closed on statutory holidays July 1 & August 3.

If you have more than one child going into grades 1-6, you will need to register each child separately for camp. Siblings may share the weeks, provided they total 2 weeks per child. Invoices will be sent out via TUIO once your registration has been confirmed. Payment dates are April $15^{\rm th}$ and June $15^{\rm th}$, each payment being 50% of your summer total. Families will be invoiced for the 2 week summer camp minimum, even if you are on the wait list.

If you are not returning to daycare in September, please let the office know in writing. The deadline to withdraw for September is June 1^{st} , however if you are able to confirm beforehand it will assist our planning process.

Health Update

Information has been sent out from the TDSB, Toronto Public Health & the Ministry of Education about the Coronavirus. The Daycare will continue to monitor this situation and will follow guidelines set out by Public Health. We take health & hygiene very seriously and we urge everyone to carefully review the information provided.

Silent Auction

The Daycare has once again donated 1 week of summer camp to the School's Silent Auction. This year's Auction will be held at Jackman's MVP Night in the GPR on February 20. Please note that Daycare families with children going into grades 1-6 are eligible to bid on the week (valued at \$336) and it may be used towards one of your two required camp weeks.

We Go Out Even when it's Cold

Davcare policy is that we take children outside for at least 30 mins on school days and 120 minutes (2 hours) on PA Days. During extreme weather alerts Public Health recommends that we still take the children outdoors for a reduced period of time. Always send your child dressed for the weather: boots, snow pants, jacket, mitts and a hat are required every day.

When your Child is Absent

Please leave a detailed message in your child's daycare room when your child will not be attending daycare. If your child is sick, please let us know the symptoms so that we can limit the spread of germs. Phone: 416-466-8715:

Preschool, Room 107 (Ext 222)

JK B & A, Room 107A (Ext 233)

SK B & A, Room 207A (Ext 234)

Grade 1 & Nursery School, Room 105 (Ext 223)

Grade 2 Room 101 (Ext 224) Grade 3 Room 207 (Ext 227)

Grade 3&4 Room 209 (Ext 228)

10+, Room 309 (Ext 225)

Office, Room 308 (Ext 221)

No Stocking Feet

Remember that children must change into indoor shoes (running shoes are recommended) and leave boots in the hallway. Boots need to go home each night.

Calendar of Events and Key Dates

February 6 & 7 - Possible Strike. Daycare open; Nursery School closed

February 14 - PA Day - Daycare Open - Nursery School Closed

February 17 - Holiday Closure

February 28 - Summer Camp Calendars posted on our website (sneak peak)

March 2 - Camp registration opens. Parents will be sent an email at 12 Noon

March 16-20 - March Break - Daycare Open 7:30-6 - Nursery School Closed

April 10-13 - Holiday Closure

May 18 - Holiday Closure

June 5 - PA Day - Daycare Open - Nursery School Closed

June 26 - Daycare CLOSED for Summer Prep

June 29 - First day of Summer Camp

August 31 – Daycare CLOSED for Fall Prep

September 1 - Preschool & JK children move up

September 4 - Last day of Summer Camp

September 8 – First Day of School