Jackman Community Daycare May 2018 Newsletter

Click on the Room Calendars

Each program room has a monthly room calendar. Please check out the daily activities planned in your child's room.

Check Out our Scores

Help us congratulate all of our terrific staff for achieving such terrific scores on the City's Assessment for Quality Improvement (AQI). All of our program rooms surpassed last year's scores and we are very pleased with our cumulative averages. All scores are out of a possible 5 with 3 meeting criteria and 4 & 5 both exceeding criteria:

• Preschool & Nursery School: 4.46

• JK & SK B & A: 4.68

• School Age (grades 1-6): 4.52

More information about AQI and our ratings can be found on the City of Toronto web site.

Annual General Meeting is June 12th

The Daycare's AGM will be Tuesday, June 12th from 6-7 PM. Please attend to hear about our year in review. The AGM is also when the Board of Directors is elected. There are 12 board seats and we know several board members will be retiring. We are therefore in the process of recruiting five new members wishing to serve on the Daycare Board of Directors. The Board meets monthly to oversee the management of the Daycare. It's a great way to participate in our community and make a difference. For more information about the AGM, or if you want information about serving on the Board, contact Donna at jackman.donna@bellnet.ca.

Consent Form

Please use the new Blue Special Consent Form to update your pickup list and to let staff know about special pickups or if your child will be attending a school activity. This form can be found in your child's daycare room or the current families section of the <u>daycare website</u>. Please note that this form can only be used if adults are picking up. If you intend for someone aged 12-17 to pick up your child, you need to first make arrangements to come to the daycare office so that Karen or Donna can sign off on it.

Published Author on Staff

We are pleased to announce that Angela Muscat, RECE in Room 101 just coauthored a book called "You've Got This, Mama: A Mother's Guide to Embracing the Chaos & Living an Empowered Life." Feel free to contact Angela for more information: angela muscat@hotmail.com

Prepare your Child for the Weather & Sunshine

Please dress your child for the weather. On warmer days, your child may even need sunscreen. Before you drop off in the morning, please put on the first coat of sunscreen. Leave a labeled bottle in their cubby for use later in the day. Dressing in layers is advised. Label all belongings.

6 PM Closing Time

It's problematic when parents are late to pick up. Most of our staff work a split shift which means they start their day at 7:30 AM and finish at 6 PM. We are therefore imploring parents who have been late to be more mindful of coming on time so staff can go home at 6. And a big thanks to the majority of our families who make it on time every day.

Changes in September

This is a reminder that starting September we are reorganizing some of our service offerings. This will ensure a better flow year after year and allow us to provide a lunch program to all of our grade 1 and 2 children. We will also take this opportunity to rename some of our rooms to names that make more sense. Going forward we anticipate rooms to be called by their room number or grade level. This September's program offerings will be:

- Preschool Room 107
- JK Room 107A
- SK Room 207A
- Grade 1 Room 105
- Grade 2 Room 101
- Grade 3 &/or 4 Room 108
- Grade 3 &/or 4 Room 207
- Grade 5 & 6 Room 309 (We may continue to call this program 10+ since it's a big deal when kids finally age into this room).

As soon as we have finalized our fall numbers and reviewed our staffing needs we will contact families to inform them of their room assignment for September.

Calendar of Events and Key Dates

May 21 - Victoria Day - We are CLOSED

May 22 - Board Meeting; please RSVP to Donna

June 8 - PA Day - Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED

June 12 - Daycare Annual General Meeting 6-7

June 28 - Last Day of School

June 29 -CLOSED for summer prep

July 2 - Canada Day - CLOSED

August 6 - Civic Holiday - CLOSED

August 31 - CLOSED for fall prep

September 4 - First Day of School