

Jackman Community Daycare

January 2019 Newsletter

See you in the New Year

This year the Daycare will be CLOSED December 24-January 1. We will be open and operating on a PA Day schedule January 2, 3 & 4. **Happy Holidays!** Remember we'll be serving a hot lunch to all Preschool, JK & SK children as well as children in Grades 1 & 2 who are signed up for a catered lunch.

Check out our Room Pages

Each program room has a web page where you will find the monthly room calendar and other important information. Click on the link (to the right) to check out the daily activities planned in your child's room, or visit the current families section at: www.jackmancommunitydaycare.ca

Daycare Concerts

Our Winter Concert for children in Grades 1-6 is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 13th** from 5:30-6:30 PM. We will be holding a 2nd concert for the younger children in the spring. More information will be available next month. Meanwhile, mark your calendars!

Let's Keep Snow Outside

Brrr... It's winter! The lovely snow turns to water inside so we would like to remind you that children must have indoor shoes with them every day to change into. For safety reasons, we don't allow stocking feet in daycare. Running shoes are recommended as we often have activities in the gym. Boots are to stay in the hallway but must go home each night. Please refrain from wheeling strollers down the halls and into classrooms as they track in too much water and make the halls & vestibules slippery and hazardous. Thanks.

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. **The Daycare number is 416-466-8715. Room Extensions are:**

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 4 Room 108 (Ext 228)
10+, Room 309 (Ext 225)
Office, Room 308 (Ext 221)

Part-Time Nursery School Spots

We have immediate openings in Nursery School for children who turned 3 in 2018 or who will be turning 3 the first half of 2019. It's a 2-hour program each morning from 9:15-11:15. The cost is \$31/day. It's a wonderful way to prepare children for kindergarten. You don't have to live in Jackman's catchment area to attend Nursery School; it's open to all families. We have several Tuesday/Thursday spaces available. Tell your friends to contact Karen in the Daycare Office: 416-466-8715, ext. 221 or jackmandaycare@bellnet.ca

How Does Learning Happen?

How Does Learning Happen? (HDLH) is Ontario's Pedagogy for the Early Years. We understand that children are dramatically influenced by their early experiences with people and their surroundings. At Jackman we view the child as competent, capable and rich in potential. HDLH has 4 key components on which we are building our programs:

1. **Belonging** - we strive to make sure your child and your family feel like you belong
2. **Well Being** - we ensure your child's health and happiness are being met
3. **Engagement** - we intentionally designed a curriculum that support the educator and children working & learning together
4. **Expression** - we have created an environment that values your ideas and opinions. At Jackman we appreciate that families share their experiences, cultures, traditions with us as we understand it builds strong bonds and creates lasting memories.

Check out the weekly program plan posted on the bulletin board outside your child's daycare room to see how the educators are implementing HDLH in their emergent curriculum.

Suggestion Box

As part of our on-going effort to be responsive and accountable to the families and staff who rely on Jackman Community Daycare, we have a Suggestion Box located to the left of room 105. Everyone with questions, concerns, ideas and feedback should feel free to place their suggestions in the box. As has always been the case, everyone is also encouraged to express comments in person, by phone or via email directly to the room staff or management staff who could best respond.

Kindergarten School Registration

This information is sent on behalf of the TDSB: We are excited to share that Kindergarten Registration begins in February at the TDSB. Building on the success of last year, families who will be registering their children in Kindergarten for the 2019-20 school year have the option to do this through our Online Registration System. The Online Registration System is a two-step process that includes an online component as well as an onsite component at the school. New this year, families will also have the option of completing the Developmental History Form online as part of the Kindergarten Registration process. The school office has real time access to all online registrations and can answer any questions you may have about new student registrations. For more information about the Kindergarten Registration process, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten. Jackman Community Daycare will be doing intake for our Preschool & JK B & A programs starting in April for a September start.

Calendar of Events and Key Dates

January 2, 3, 4 - Daycare OPEN 7:30-6:00

January 7 - Nursery School and Daycare OPEN

January 15 - Board Meeting 6PM-8PM. Please RSVP to Donna if you plan to attend

January 18 - PA Day - Nursery School Closed. Daycare Open

February 13 - Winter Concert for Grades 1-6 from 5:30-6:30

February 15 - PA Day - Nursery School Closed. Daycare Open

February 18 - Family Day - **Daycare Closed**

Early-March - Summer Camp Info available for children going into Grades 1-6

March 11-15 - March Break - Daycare is **OPEN**; Nursery School is **CLOSED**

March 31 - Summer & Fall cheques due

April 19- 22- Easter Long Weekend. **We are CLOSED Friday & Monday**

May 20 - Victoria Day - **We are CLOSED**

June 7 - PA Day - Daycare is **OPEN**; Nursery School is **CLOSED**

June 28 - Summer Prep Day - We are CLOSED

July 2 to August 29 - Summer Camp

August 30 - Fall Prep Day - **We are CLOSED**