

Jackman Community Daycare November 2019 Newsletter

Check out our Room Pages

Each program room has a web page where you will find the monthly room calendar and other important information. Please 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 of our website: www.jackmancommunitydaycare.ca

Strike Policy

There is no way to predict the results of the ongoing negotiations between the ETFO and the Ontario Government. However, if there is a teacher's strike, the daycare will remain open, as long as the building remains open. **Our Nursery School program will unfortunately be closed.** Our policy in our Parent Handbook is as follows:

TDSB Job Action / Strike - The daycare remains open during labour disruptions so long as the school remains open. The decision to open or close the school rests entirely with the TDSB. **If the school is closed then the daycare will also be closed.** The daycare will communicate with parents on an ongoing basis to provide updates and information relating to job action and program or financial implications. Parents are encouraged to consult www.tdsb.on.ca or a media source for further information. In the event of a brief strike, all costs related to providing care from 7:30 am-6 pm will be absorbed by the daycare. In the event of a strike persisting more than one week, additional fees may apply based on the current fee schedule, at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Order your Cheques

In December we will be collecting post-dated cheques for 2020 so please ensure you have cheques on hand. If your circumstances have changed and your child will not be needing childcare in the new year, please provide 30 days' written notice. Thank you.

Mark your Calendar for the Holidays

Each year the Daycare closes for about a week during the winter holidays. **This year we will be closed December 23 to December 27.** The Daycare will be OPEN full days December 30 & 31, **Closed January 1**, OPEN full days January 2 & 3. School & Nursery School will resume January 6.

Daycare Concerts

With December being a very busy time for all, and due to the space constraints of the GPR, the daycare will hold 2 springtime concerts. Dates of the performances will be announced as soon as they are set.

Parent Resources

The [Parent Resources](#) section of our website offers a variety of information on topics related to children and families, including local programs offered at the Toronto Public Library, parenting articles, parent workshops and city services.

Updating Pick-Up Lists

Under no circumstances will the daycare release your child to someone with just a phone call if **prior written consent** has not been given. **Please *proactively* add people to your pickup list. That way you can simply phone your child's room to let staff know who is picking up.** Come to Room 308 to update your info.

If you have a one-time special pick up, or if your child will be participating in school activities, fill out a [special consent](#) form located on our website and in all daycare rooms. **Please do not email or call the daycare office about special pickups.**

Did You Know...?

All program rooms have what we call "After 4 Programs." We bring in special programming so children are exposed to different activities or skills, in addition to their regular daycare experience. We are pleased to be hosting After 4 Programs including: yoga, board games, music, dance and many cooking activities. We encourage you to review the calendar regularly with your child. You can use it as a tool to get moving in the morning or engage in conversations: "Hey look, it's gym day; go put on your running shoes so you can run fast today." If your schedule allows, try to pick up after the time noted on the room calendar. If you arrive during an activity, feel free to join in if you have time. If you can't stay, that's okay too – just let staff know that you need to grab and run and we'll assist with a quick departure.

Part-Time Nursery School Spots

Help spread the word! We have immediate openings in Nursery School. It's a 2½ -hour program from 9:00-11:30 AM for children who are 3 or almost 3. It's a wonderful way to prepare children for when they start school. You don't have to live in Jackman's catchment area to attend Nursery School. Tell your friends to contact the Daycare Office: 416-466-8715, ext. 221 or jackmandaycare@bellnet.ca

Calendar of Events and Key Dates

November 15 - PA Day –Daycare Open – Nursery School Closed

November 19 – Daycare Board Meeting 6-8 PM. RSVP to Donna

December 6 - PA Day – Daycare Open – Nursery School Closed

December 23-27 – Daycare & Nursery School Closed

December 30 & 31 - Daycare Open – Nursery School Closed

January 1 – Holiday Closure

January 2 & 3 – Daycare Open - Nursery School Closed

January 6 - Welcome Back Everyone!

January 17 - PA Day –Daycare Open – Nursery School Closed

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

February 17 –Holiday Closure

March 16-20 – March Break – Daycare Open - Nursery School Closed

April 10 – Holiday Closure

April 13 - Holiday Closure

May 18 - Holiday Closure

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