# Jackman Community Daycare November 2017 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.

### **Meet & Greets**

Please join Donna Spreitzer the ED/Supervisor and Karen Anthony the Assistant Director in your child's program room to ask questions and hear about the daycare curriculum. During each M&G the children and educators will be engaged in an activity outside of the program room so that we can have the room to meet. Whether you're new to the daycare or a long-time family, we hope you'll make time to attend. The next M&Gs are:

- Room 105/School Age Tues., Nov. 7 from 5-5:30 in Room 105
- Room 101/ACC Tues., Nov. 14 from 5-5:30 in Room 101
- Room 207/All Stars Tues., Nov. 21 from 5-5:30 in Room 207

### 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 25 to January 1**. The Daycare will be OPEN full days January 2, 3, 4, & 5. Nursery School will resume on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Daycare Holiday Concert**

The Annual Holiday Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> in the GPR. All Daycare children will be performing and we ask everyone to stay for the duration. It will start promptly at 5:30 PM and will be finished in less than an hour. The Holiday Concert **Dress Rehearsal is scheduled on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** so please plan to pick up your child <u>after 5</u>. (Sorry, no peeking.)

Please note: Part-Time Nursery School children will not be performing at the Daycare Holiday Concert; instead they will perform their holiday song during their daytime holiday party on Dec. 22 in a more familiar environment.

### **Part-Time Nursery School Spots**

Help spread the word! We have immediate openings in Nursery School for children who turn 3 in 2017. It's a 2-hour program each morning from 9:15-11:15. The cost is \$29/day. It's a wonderful way to prepare children for when they start school next year. Unlike our Daycare programs, you don't have to live in Jackman's catchment area to attend Nursery School; it's open to all families. There are 2-day, 3-day and 5-day spaces available. Tell your friends to contact Karen in the Daycare Office: 416-466-8715, ext. 221 or jackmandaycare@bellnet.ca

#### **Loose Parts**

The field of Early Childhood Education is continually evolving. Loose Parts is a new element of Emergent Curriculum whereby we utilize open-ended components to foster creativity and child-directed activities. We can always use more materials such as wood, fabric, scarves, nuts, bolts, gems, yarn, dress-up clothing, wooden dowels, etc. Drop off any loose parts in any of our daycare rooms.

## Did You Know...?

All program rooms have what we call "After 4 Programs." We bring in special guests to work with the children on projects, activities or skills that are in addition to their normal daycare experience. Children have an opportunity to participate in an After 4 program designed for their age group. We are pleased to be hosting After 4 Programs including: yoga, board games, soccer drills, music, dance and many cooking activities. Please try to pick up after the time noted on the room calendar.

### When your Child is Absent Please Let the Daycare Know

Please leave a detailed message in your child's daycare room whenever your child will not be attending daycare. If your child is sick, please let us know diagnosis or symptoms so we can help ensure it doesn't spread. **Phone 416-466-8715. Room Extensions are:** 

- Nursery School, Room 105 (Ext. 223)
- Preschool, Room 107 (Ext. 222)
- JK, Room 107A (Ext. 233)
- SK, Room 207A (Ext. 234)
- School Age, Room 105 (Ext. 223)
- ACC, Room 101 (Ext. 224)
- All Stars, Room 207 (Ext. 227)
- 10+, Room 309 (Ext. 225)
- Daycare Office, Room 308 (Ext. 221)

## **Updating Pick Up Lists & Special Consents**

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

If you have a one-time special pick up, or if your child will be participating in school activities, fill out a <u>special consent form</u> located here, on our website and in all daycare rooms, or leave a note with staff. <u>Please do not email the daycare office staff</u> <u>about special pickups</u>.

#### **Our Website is Updated Regularly**

You can access Nursery School & Daycare information at your fingertips <u>jackmancommunitydaycare.ca</u>. There is a special section for current families where you can easily access our newsletters, room calendars and important daycare policies and updates. Check it out!

#### Sent on behalf of TDSB

The TDSB's Parent Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) is inviting all TDSB parents/guardians to take part in the upcoming Parent Involvement Makes a Difference Conference on November 25th, 2017. Go to <u>www.tdsb.on.ca/parentconference</u> for more information.

#### **Calendar of Events and Key Dates**

November 17 - PA DAY – Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED November 28 – Daycare Board Meeting 6-8 PM. Please RSVP to Donna December 1 - PA DAY – Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED December 12 – Daycare Holiday Concert 5:30-6:30 December 22 – Last Day of School + Nursery School Party at 10:15 AM December 25 through January 1 – CLOSED for the Holidays January 2, 3, 4, 5, 2018 – Daycare OPEN 7:30 to 6:00. Nursery School CLOSED January 8, 2018 - Daycare & Nursery School resume