Jackman Community Daycare January 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.

Staffing Update

As of January 1st there are a few changes to announce. Angela Muscat who recently returned from mat leave will be working in ACC at lunch and after school. She replaced Gwen who will be joining Pauline & Sarah in SK after school. Dylan who has been working as an assistant in SK has joined Angela & Patricia in ACC. Gwen will remain in ACC at lunchtime.

Lunch Info

We have been getting questions about our catered lunch program so here are a few reminders about when the daycare serves lunch:

- JK & SK children bring a lunch to school when school is in session. On PA days and breaks, the daycare provides a catered lunch to JK & SK children. The lunch is included in the JK & SK fees.
- If your child is in Room 101 or 105, you have the option to pay for a catered lunch for your child during the school year. If you opt for the catered lunch plan your child will receive a catered lunch from September through June but not during the summer.
- Catered children are required to bring their own lunch when going on all day class trips, or participating in a school activity where they are not back until after the lunch hour.
- If your child is in grades 1-6 and brings a lunch during the school year then they need to continue to bring a lunch on PA days and breaks. Unlike in JK & SK, we do not provide lunch for non-catered children on PA days.
- For our families in rooms 207 & 309 who receive care before and after school, please continue to send a lunch with your child on PA days and school breaks.
- During the summer, the daycare only provides catered lunch for Preschool & JK. All other children going into grades 1-6 must bring a bag lunch all summer.

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.

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. Boots are to stay in the hallway. Running shoes are recommended as we often have activities in the gym.

Please refrain from wheeling strollers down the halls and into classrooms. Strollers track in too much water and make the halls & vestibules slippery and hazardous. Thanks.

What Happens in Summer & Fall?

When it's so cold outside, it's hard to think that summer really will happen. We will start planning over the next few months and wanted to give you a heads up on what to expect. Summer Camp calendars and registration packages will be available in mid-March which is also when we ask for all summer and fall post-dated cheques.

- Preschool & JK children stay in their respective rooms through August and move up to their new rooms the first day of school.
- SK children stay in room 207A until the end of June. Summer Camp is available by the week in room 105.
- As of September 2018, all children going into grades 1 & 2 will be accommodated in room 105 or 101 (the two daycare rooms licensed to provide care before school, after school as well as at lunchtime). All children in grades 1 & 2 will have the option of a catered or non-catered lunch and will eat their lunch in the daycare room. Both rooms will be a split of grades 1 & 2 children.
- For all children going into grades 1-6 in the fall, Summer Camp is sold by the week (\$315/week). Children returning in the fall must register for a minimum of 2 weeks of camp. Camp will run from Tuesday July 3 to Thursday August 30. Camp info will be handed out in mid-March.
- All Children going into in grades 3-6 will be provided care before & after school in one of our licensed program rooms. Details of the room configurations will be available in mid-March.
- If you have any questions, please contact Donna: <u>Jackman.donna@bellnet.ca</u>

When your Child is Absent

Please leave a detailed message in your child's daycare room when your child will not be attending daycare. Remember, if your child attends school, you must call both the school and 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)
- School Age & Nursery School, Room 105 (Ext 223)
- ACC, Room 101 (Ext 224)
- All Stars, Room 207 (Ext 227)
- 10+, Room 309 (Ext 225)
- Office, Room 308 (Ext 221)

Sent on behalf of TDSB

February is Full-Day Kindergarten Registration Month. We are excited to share that beginning in February 2018, the TDSB is introducing a new Online Registration System option for families to register students in Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year. Families using the Online Registration System will participate in two-step process that includes an online component as well as an onsite component at the school. To support the Before-and After School Program registrations, the school office can confirm whether students have registered at the school. 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 new Online Registration System for Kindergarten, please visit the TDSB website:

http://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/KindergartenMonth

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. 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

Calendar of Events and Key Dates

January 8, 2018 – School, Daycare & Nursery School resume January 19 – PA Day - Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED January 23 – Board Meeting 6-8 PM. Please RSVP to Donna February 16 – PA Day - Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED February 19 – Family Day – Stay home and enjoy your family Mid-March – Summer Camp Info available March 12-16 – March Break – Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED March 31 – Summer & Fall cheques due. March 31 – Summer & Fall cheques due. March 31-April 2 – Easter Long Weekend. We are CLOSED May 21 – Victoria Day - We are CLOSED June 8 – PA Day - Daycare is OPEN; Nursery School is CLOSED June 29 – Summer Prep Day - We are CLOSED

August 31 – Fall Prep Day - We are CLOSED