Springbank Cottage Childcare LTD. June Newsletter 2016

Hello Parents,

Our first order of business is an update on Lee. She is doing very well; it's hard to believe how far she has come since this time last year. She is getting around with a walker and loves to text all of us. She is making steady progress, since her last surgery she is getting back to her old self. I am hoping that she will want to come and visit over the summer here at the center. The boys are having regular visits with her.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the departure of Cathy O. Cathy has been a big part of our center for the past few years. It is now time for her to start her next part of her journey. Cathy and Shawn have decided to move to Kamloops. She will be missed and will look forward to seeing her when she comes back to visit. Good Luck Cathy on your new adventure.

Important Date: July 1-July 17: Cottage is closed for summer vacation, See you July 18 Family information session HEAD LICE

<u>Topic</u>: Head lice <u>Date</u>: June 7 <u>Time</u>: 4:00 – 5:00 <u>Location</u>: in the gym

The staff will give you a little hands on in how to look through your hair for lice. What they look like and what nits look like and how they change. A handout will be available at the session as well.

<u>Parent Survey</u>: Our yearly family survey will be sent out with this newsletter and we are asking for a return date of

June 6. The survey will help us address areas that we need to work on and areas that we are strong in. When filling out the survey you may have different information for each room that you have a child in, if you could just list the room so we know when going over areas of concerns. Each year we try to improve in all areas and with your help this can be achieved. We appreciate your feedback please remember that this is anonymous.

<u>Summer Newsletter</u>: we are finalizing our summer activities. The staff are busy putting the finishing touches on our summer calendar. We will be sending out the summer newsletter June 19, 2016. All fieldtrip forms with costs will also be attached to the newsletter. We ask the permission slips be signed and returned with fees the first week back in July. All trips can be paid for on one cheque. If you know what trips that your child will be attending when the newsletter goes out in June you are welcome to sign them and return them with fees before we close for our summer break.

<u>Junior Leadership Supper:</u> We are so happy about the results of our Leadership Supper; parents have asked if we could make this a monthly event. We will be doing it again we are not sure if it could be offered monthly. Even though the children and staff really enjoyed the whole process it is very big commitment for everyone. That being said we would like to thank all of you for participating. The children raised \$1232.00 plus a truckload and a car load of toys.

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<u>Movie Night:</u> June 17, our last one for this school year. We apologize for cancelling our May Movie Night but there was no interest. Let's make this last one a big success.

Daycare/Preschool Room June/Summer Newsletter

We have had a spring full of play, discovery, fun and socialization as we explored many different interests each week. We have been fortunate to have a milder spring which enabled us to get outside almost everyday, explore nature, hunt for bugs, play baseball, golf, racquet ball, catch, soccer, tag, bubbles, sidewalk chalk and more.

Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony

It's hard to believe that some of our friends will be leaving the Daycare Room to go to Kindergarten in September. These children will be moving to the Kindergarten room towards the end of August — throughout the summer, they will go over for visits and spend time becoming familiar with routines and friends. On Wednesday, June 15 at 4:00pm, we will hold a graduation ceremony for these children to celebrate this milestone and the next phase of their exciting little lives! All children in the Daycare Room will perform a couple of songs for parents to be followed by our "commencement." We will finish the celebration with cookies and lemonade! We hope you will be able to join us for this very important and fun event! We will plan on this celebration to take place in the Daycare Room.

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Please ensure your child comes prepared and well equipped with the following:

WATER BOTTLE
SUN HAT (Wide brim with strap preferred)
ICE PACK IN LUNCHES (foods spoil very quickly in the warmer weather)
RAIN BOOTS AND VELCRO RUNNERS (inside footwear)
CHANGE OF CLOTHING
BACK PACK IS MANDATORY – (especially necessary for field trips)

Once our program is back in operation in July, children will also require:

BATHING SUIT TOWEL

Please label all of your child's belongings with their name, thank you! Thanks for remembering to sign your child in and out each day. Our picnic lunch in May was such a success we decided we are going to have a couple of picnic lunches throughout the month of June. We will be sure to give you plenty of notice regarding lunches so we don't have any lunches requiring warming on these days.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!

Have a wonderful summer – we look forward to an exciting and fun summer at Cottage!

4 ½ Year Old & Kindergarten Room June/ Summer Newsletter

This spring has been really fun and exciting. The children have enjoyed searching and building an ant farm. We also enjoyed learning about bullying, respect, kindness and friendship. The children learned about multiculturalism through our 'Round the World' week. The end of the school year is fast approaching. The children are really excited about the summer and have been discussing there summer vacations. We are also looking forward to continue to explore outside, play sports, group games, running, jumping and rolling in the fields, draw with chalk, and make bubbles.

As the weather continues to get warmer we will be going outside each day to play please remember to make sure your child has a water bottle, hat, sunglasses, coat, rain jacket, rain boots, outdoor shoes, change of clothes, and a backpack (for field trips). During July and August everyone will need to bring a bathing suit, towel and water bottle everyday.

Interests:

Sports Music and books
Art (drawing, cutting, tracing)
Bugs, Flowers, Outdoor exploration
Pokemon Building with blocks

Birthdays:

Roberta- June 7 Wynston-Aug 5

Important Dates:

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Happy Fathers Day!!!!!

Before and After School June Newsletter

_We have had a busy year in the BAS program, playing outside as much as we can, organizing a fundraising dinner, and now welcoming the end of the school year. The BAS program will be saying good-bye to some of our older children, who are now old enough to stay home alone as well as welcoming new faces. We are also going to be saying an enormous good-bye to Cathy.O, who will be extremely missed. The summer program for BAS will be one of our busiest years yet, we are proud to say that the BAS summer program has filled all available spots. From the BAS staff we look forward to finishing the school year with a BANG!!!!!

June Birthdays:

- -Brody.S June.16
- -Taija June.14
- -Kailey June.17
- -Blake June.21

- -Lennin June 21
- -Austin June.28

Reminders:

- * Please remember to provide your child/children with a water bottle as we play outside everyday.
- * Cottage will be closed from July 1-July 17 summer vacation See you July 18
- * Movie Night is June.17

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Happy Father Days to Our Cottage Dads!!!!!!