Springbank Cottage Childcare LTD. April/May Newsletter 2019

Hello Parents,

We have leaped right into spring and the center is buzzing with excitement over the warm weather that is on its way. Even though we are hoping for fantastic spring weather – there is always the chance of a late spring blizzard. Please ensure your child (ren) have appropriate clothing each day. We love to spend as much time as possible outside and it is important that your child (ren) are prepared for the wet and muck that comes along with spring as well as the chilly mornings. We also highly recommend a change of clothes for all children at the center this time of year as you never know when an unexpected slip into a puddle is going to happen!

Please be reminded that due to Rockyview's request – we will be closed from April 19th through April 24th. They will be fixing a leak in the main water line. We plan to re-open on Thursday for regular hours. We also are planning a trip to TELUS Spark on Thursday the 25th. We ask that if your child will be attending the trip to TELUS Spark, that you arrive no later than 9am so we can load up the bus and head out. Please keep an eye out for a permission form.

PLEASE LET EACH ROOM KNOW IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE IN ATTENDENCE ON APRIL 25th and 26th!

I would like to thank all of you for returning your fall survey in a timely manner. We are very happy to see that most of you are returning in the fall and if this should change please let me know as soon as possible. We have a very extensive waiting list and are receiving calls daily from families who are looking for a spot.

We will be sending out our summer survey around the end of April. We have reviewed our activities from last summer and started planning for this summer. The children really enjoyed all the activities last year so we will definitely be offering the same type of activities this year. If you are planning on having your children here over the summer, they will need a Calaway Park Pass. You can get your pass for a better rate the earlier you purchase. Please note that if you do not require care over the summer please indicate as such on the survey -- it will not affect your spot in the fall. It is very important when you receive the summer survey that it be returned by the dated listed on the form.

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Happy Spring everyone!

Finally we are past the winter season and into spring! The children love playing outside and going on adventures which allows them to get lots of fresh air. The weather out in Springbank is extremely unpredictable and is can be colder and windier that the city. Please remember to send you child with the proper clothing.

Please take a look at the contents in your child's cubby at the end of the day to ensure they have a complete change of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, and socks).

Important Notes:

Ages & Stages Developmental Screening - In the month of April, we will be sending home a permission form to perform an "Ages & Stages Developmental Screening and Assessment. This is the fourth year that we have been using this screening/assessment tool in the daycare program. We feel like it is a valuable tool for tracking your child's developmental progress through the school year. Screening will only be conducted on children with signed consent.

We will continue to have Big Plans come out in September to do assessments on the children as well.

Birthdays:

April	May
18 th – Emily G	18 th – Emily M
22 nd – Mackson	
	Please let us know if we missed anyone

HAPPY EASTER to all,

And HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to a wonderful bunch of Moms!

Sholeh, Angela and Roberta

April and May 2019

Kindergarten & Grade 1 April and May 2018 Newsletter

Spring has sprung! The weather is getting warmer and the snow is starting to melt! The children have noticed some signs of spring including the days getting longer and it being warming outside.

In the kindergarten room over the past two months we have explored spring animals, fantasy characters, pirates, the ocean, and superheroes and many more interests as well! We have been so fortunate to have great weather to start the spring! We hopes it sticks around!

Moving into April and May, we will be planning to have group meetings with the children on Friday where we can ask the kids what they liked about the weekly theme, what they didn't like, and what they want to learn next. In these group meetings we can also have them help us create the planning for the following week!

We are excited to see what the rest of April and May bring in terms of children's interests. So far we have had suggestions for airplanes, travel, Easter and more!

Please remember with the warm wet weather upon us- to dress your child according to the weather to play outside. Rain gear is always best for this time of year as we don't know when the field will be wet and muddy. Also an extra set of clothes (pants, shirt, underwear, socks) is important in case they do end up getting a little wet. We play outside everyday and want all the children to come prepared and be able to play with everyone.

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8 th – Tanequil	3 rd - Teo
27 th - Madison	5 th - Lucian
	15 th – James and Ellie

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Happy Easter and Happy Mother's Day

Flor and Alanna

BAS Program



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We have been spoiled so far this spring with beautiful weather. The children have really enjoyed spending time outside – playing soccer, playing on the playgrounds, digging in the dirt and collecting nature's treasures. We have had interest in a number of paper crafts, painting -- both with water colours and on rocks, card games, comic books and strategy board games.

We are working on teaching the children about budgeting and resources and we have tasked them to make a list of requests for the room (supplies, games, etc) and to utilize a \$50 budget in the most effective way. We were very impressed to see how the problem solved and worked together to determine the most pertinent supplies such as pencils, paper, tape and glue to buy and which supplies benefit the most amount of people! We will hope to have these budget request meetings every month or as needed as supplies dwindle. The point of this activity is not to deprive the children of necessary supplies, we are trying to get them to think and pre-plan for activities as well as advocating their requests as we can't all be mind readers! This gives us a much better idea as to what the children want for the room.

The fall survey has been sent out – thank you to those of you have returned it in a timely manner. This survey is the only way to guarantee your spot in the fall. We are excited for another great year for those of you who are not returning, we will miss each and every one of you!

Our summer registration will be on it's way shortly. We are looking forward to an action- packed summer! If you are planning on having your child attend any or all of our summer program -- please ensure you purchase a Calaway Park pass (these are sold at a discounted rate through the spring).

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April Birthdays

April 4th - Diarmaid April 6th – Melody April 9th - Jequori April 10th – Zach April 23rd - Hayley

Thank You, Melody and Melissa May Birthdays

May 9th - Ryzin

Please let us know if we missed anyone!