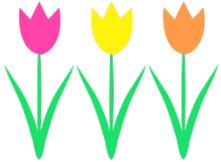


# Riverbend Playschool

*Learning though Play*

*March 2020*



## Teachers' Message

The first week of March we will continue to tap into our imaginations in the land of Fairy Tales. Children enjoy hearing about the characters that made you laugh or made you feel a bit frightened. It's special to talk about how stories can move you.

We will be preparing to blast off to far away planets as we travel to infinity and beyond with our Space theme. Do you know why Mars is called the Red Planet, or what the rings around Saturn are made of? We will discover many new things as our imaginations take flight into outer space. It's always fun discovering many new things as our imaginations take flight into outer space.

Mid-month is a special time because we invite our Daddies to come to playschool with their child. Daddies miss out on Father's Day because our school year ends before we have the opportunity to celebrate it. We decided to pick a night where our Daddies could come in with their child and see how our day begins and ends. Please look at the calendar because if your class is coming at night, your daytime class is cancelled. If Dad can't make it, please let the teachers know. We welcome a Mom or special man in your child's life in place of Dad.

Our Spring Break is from Monday, March 23rd – Friday, March 27th. We are closed during this time. Have a fun and safe Spring Break with your families.

*Becky, Lita, Laurel*

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# Housekeeping & Upcoming

## Tuition

Just a reminder that tuition checks for the final months (March, April and May) of playschool will be deposited in the first week of March.



## Sick Policy

As outlined in the Parent Handbook, if you have a sick child, please keep them at home. Your child needs to be fever free (without fever reducing medication), vomit and diarrhea free for 24 hours before returning to playschool. We miss them but playschoolers are sharers, even with viruses.



Happy Spring Break! The playschool will be closed from March 23<sup>rd</sup> – March 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Tax Receipts

For those parents needing tax receipts, please email our treasurer at [treasurer@riverbendplayschool.org](mailto:treasurer@riverbendplayschool.org) and mention your child's name and class.

## Healthy Snacks



While it's tempting to put treats and other sugary snacks in your child's snack bag, by sending healthy, wholesome snacks you help ensure your child has continued energy for play. Plus you are setting your child up for developing healthy eating habits that will last a lifetime. Win Win!

## Cold Weather

As per our handbook: **Classes will be cancelled if the temperature reading is colder than -40 C, including wind chill as reported by Environment Canada at 08:10.** We understand that this can be frustrating for some who go about their day despite the cold. Our biggest reason for closing our doors is in case there is a fire drill/alarm. The playschool fire drill routine outlines that there is no time to get coats and boots. We need to get out and are not prepared to have your children out in that temperature without warm coats.

We appreciate everybody's cooperation. Thanks to our families for sending the snow pants, toques and mittens each and every day. Moving forward, as the snow melts and it becomes wetter and messier, please ensure mittens are waterproof and snow pants or splash pants continue to arrive with your child. It will keep them dry and clean.

## Annual General Meeting

Our annual general meeting will be held on Monday April 6<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 7pm. This meeting is mandatory for all families. Please bring the following items to the meeting.

- All post dated cheques for the 2020/2021 school year
- A copy of your child's birth certificate (failure to bring this may result in your child's removal from the program)

## Cleaning Bee



If your parent job is cleaning bee, please watch your email for cleaning bee reminder. The next cleaning bee is March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.