



Riverbend Playschool



November 2021

Teachers' Message

Firefighters and fire safety will be covered this month. If you haven't talked to your child about what to do if your smoke detector rings, then this month would be the perfect time. Does your family have a fire plan?

ABC School Photographer will be doing class and individual photos on Wednesday, November 17th for the 4-year-old classes and Thursday, November 18th for the 3-year-old classes. They take beautiful pictures! Order forms will be on-line and they will provide details.

Mid month we stomp back in time to when the dinosaurs roamed the earth. We will explore dinosaurs using such concepts such as big and small, textures and shapes, etc. Dinosaurs are a great jumping off point for learning about science, nature, and practicing the alphabet with an array of tongue twisting, mouth maddening Dino-names! This is sure to be a roaring good time! 

We are so pleased to welcome the South Edmonton Lions Club again to our playschool this year. They are offering your child a free **no contact** vision screening that could detect possible defects in their vision. If necessary, they would recommend a visit to your optometrist, which is free for your child until they are 18 years old.

You are also welcome to have the eyes of a sibling checked as well. They can check as young as 6 months.

Last year, three children from our program were directed to their optometrists and ended up needing glasses. How wonderful that they were caught so early! This will be held during class times on November 24th and 25th. Watch your cubby box for a permission form.

Laurel and Becky

November is Fundraising Month!

While we watch the November 'staches grow...we have two awesome fundraisers leading up to the holidays! You will receive emails with more details from casino.rbps@gmail.com. Please follow our social media accounts to spread the word!

Thinking about shopping at Indigo? Our Indigo fundraiser is available and you can earn the School up to 15% through the following link: <https://indigo.flipgive.com/teams/258826-riverbend-playschool-fundraiser>. Alternatively, you can visit indigo.flipgive.com, select FIND A FUNDRAISER, search Riverbend Playschool, enter our code: **6W25SW**, and shop!

Reminder, you can still SKIP THE DEPOT (see October Newsletter for info). Thank you for your ongoing support!

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Remembrance Day / Fall Break

The playschool will be closed from Wednesday November 10th through Friday November 12th. Classes resume on Monday November 15th.



*Remembrance Day!
Lest We Forget*

Cleaning Bee

Cleaning bee dates for November: **Nov 9th and 25th**

Have an eye out in your email for a google document with the schedule and contact information for other cleaning bees. You can use this to trade dates with others. If you do trade, please let Chris know who you are trading with so he can update the schedule. Thanks for your help in keeping the Playschool clean for all of us!



Celebrate and Learn

Learn about major celebrations in different cultures and religions starting in November and going into the new year in the attached file! Following are some educational Youtube links:

Kevin's Kwanzaa:

<https://youtu.be/13Lyii4D-GA>

Chicken Soup, Chicken Soup:

<https://youtu.be/kOVnZFM1TBg>

Ganesha's Sweet Tooth:

<https://youtu.be/jmB-goiCa-o>



Getting Ready for Outside Play



We aim to have outside time every day, even during the winter. You can help us get the children ready to play in the snow with some at-home practice. Developing this skill will give them chances to be proud of their success and learn to work through their frustrations.

Please send your child with a toque and mittens. Please NO GLOVES!

We would ask that you put them in your child's hood or sleeve of their coat so we can find them easily.



Picture Day



Wednesday Nov 17th for the M/W/F classes and Thursday Nov 18th for the T/Th classes is picture day at the playschool.

Crazy Hat OR Hair Day!

Crazy Hat or Hair day is on Wednesday, Nov 24th (M/W/F class) and Thursday, Nov 25th (T/Th class). Let's see what crazy hats or hairstyles everyone will come with!

