LEE WIGGINS CHILDCARE CENTRE NEWSLETTER

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2019

A NOTE FROM STEPHANIE

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to our returning friends and our new friends!

We hope everyone had a great start to the new year and is settling back into routines nicely. Our staff would like to send a special thank you to all the parents and children for the lovely cards and thoughtful gifts. We really appreciate it and look forward to having another great year with you!

A reminder to parents that we are having a photographer come in to take class photos. He is coming in Tuesday January 22nd and Thursday January 24th around 1030 a.m. If you are not scheduled for either of these days, you are welcome to send me an e-mail and let me know that you would like to come in for the photo session.

We are hosting two Ryerson students this semester, Julia and Athena, that are starting with us the week of January 21st.

-Stephanie

REMINDERS

We are **closed** on February 18th for Family Day.

PICTURE DAYS:
Picture days will be on January 22nd and 24th.
A photographer will be coming in the morning to take photos
of the children only on these two days. If you'd like your child's
photo to be taken and they are not scheduled on these days in the
morning, feel free to bring your child in just for the pictures.
Just e-mail Stephanie beforehand so we know!

WINTER TIME:

-Please label all your child's belongings (including boots/shoes) so we can keep lost items to a minimum.
We go outside twice daily, weather permitting, so please remember to bring appropriate outdoor
clothing (warm jackets, hats, mittens, neck tubes, snow pants, etc.). A reminder that the children are not
allowed to wear scarves; therefore, please bring a neck tube.

-Please help us out by removing mucky outdoor shoes before entering the Centre. Also, please tuck your
child's mittens, hat, and neck tube into their jacket sleeves.
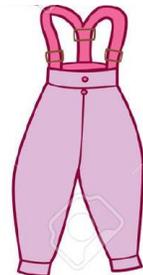
UPON ARRIVAL:

-Take your child to the **washroom**

-Make sure your child **washes their hands** before playing

-Check your child's diaper pouch and make sure there are **enough diapers** there for the day (3 or 4 should do). When we are doing washroom routine and changing all of the children, it is time consuming for staff to go and get diapers from each child's cubby.

-Please refrain from bringing strollers into the foyer, especially if the wheels are wet. We have space in the elevator room for you to leave them. Also, please remember to always CLOSE your strollers.

INVOICES

Invoices are given at the end of each month for the following month. This must be paid the first week of the month, or there will be a late fee of $20 added. Invoices for full time children are posted on their cubbies, and part time children's invoices are posted in the foyer under "Parent Fee Memos."

VACATION NOTICE

Families who register their child for **ONE** year or **THREE** consecutive semesters may take **ten** vacation days without being charged. **Five** consecutive business days of vacation may be taken at a time. All other vacation time will be consider payable days.

Families who register their child for **TWO** semesters may take **five** consecutive business days of vacation and not be charged. All other vacation time will be payable.

Parents **MUST** notify Stephanie **TWO** weeks prior to taking vacation time. We ask that you email in your requests **(no verbal consent)**.

Article from: connectability.ca

General Strategies for Dealing with Problem Behaviours

There are many reasons why children misbehave. As a parent, teacher or early childhood professional, one of the first steps in dealing with problem behaviours is to try and figure out what is the "function", or purpose of the behaviour. In other words, what does your child get when she behaves this way? The purpose of any behaviour is either to **avoid** or to **gain access to** objects, activities, attention, or sensory stimulation.

To read the full article, go to:

https://connectability.ca/2010/09/23/general-strategies-for-dealing-with-problem-behaviours/