

***A Bright Beginning
Child Care Centre
Winter news 2016***

Dates to remember

January 20th monthly board meeting
12:15 2nd floor board rm. Macro Building

February 15th Centre closed for Family Day

February 24th AGM 6:30 at the Centre

February 25th Picture Day

From the Society Board

We always welcome interested parents who could bring their knowledge and ideas to the table. We meet once a month, at present we are meeting at noon as we have a board room that we can use. On the table is; wages, Centre security during operational hours, and fundraising projects, grant proposal writing to secure funds for upgrades to the Centre's aging equipment and also the Centre's 20th birthday celebrations. New ideas are needed for a healthy growth. Volunteer executive persons are necessary for the Centre's operation to keep the doors open.

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday February 24 at 6:30 pm

Your input is needed for the Centre to have a strong future:

Fee increase/min wage > impact

Fundraising/ casino spring 2018

Executive/committee chairs and treasurer positions are open

Come and discuss needs, wants, changes, and to offer your expertise to plan a bright future for A Bright Beginning Child Care. Inquire with Marietta to have agenda and meeting minutes Emailed to you for future meetings. Board persons do not have to be parents so if you know of someone please send them our way.

Have you returned your Centre evaluation?

Up coming Centre Closure

Monday Feb 15th
Family day long weekend

Ongoing Bottle drive

You can drop off your empties at the Centre or grab a bag tag off the front desk and drop bags off at either Bottle Depot (Tue. to Sat. 9:00am. to 4:30 pm.) Under the **power plus program the Centre's # 1336 needs to be marked clearly on your bags.**

Could your work place become a donor?

Thanks for your ongoing donations.

Scrounge list

- Plastic grocery bags
- Old keys
- Good on 1 side paper
- Lg. paint brushes
- Buttons
- Ribbon ends
- Old Christmas cards (for next year)

Clothes for kids, do you need or know of any families that are in need of clothes for their children? Sizes birth to 14. Let Marietta know what sizes and whether it is for a boy or girl and she will order from a non-profit group SEWING FOR KIDS and they will drop off the clothes off at the Centre. All clothes are made from new materials in easy to wear patterns; t-shirts, jogging pant, fleece hoodies, dresses.

We like to play outside every day.

Please ensure that you child has appropriate outside gear that is labeled; snow-pants, warm jacket, hat that goes over the ears, mittens, a neck warmer if your child doesn't like the zipper pulled right up and warm footwear. We need the children to be warm as they play outdoors. Outdoor play is important for healthy growing children. Centre policy is that we go out till temp drops to - 20 with the wind-chill.

PLEASE CALL THE CENTRE

780-532-9170

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT DUE TO ILLNESS OR A CHANGE IN SCHEDULE.

February 25th we are having a photographer coming in to do pictures. If this is not a scheduled day for your child you can go down to snap shots and they will photo shop your child into the group picture or you can come down to the Centre and stay with your child. We will send out reminders as day nears. This is a small fund raiser for the Centre.

Fees are due by the 20th of each month for that month Late fee penalty \$25.00 will be applied to your unpaid account. 30 days' notice needed when withdrawing from the Program to qualify for deposit refund

.Seeking Knowledge

- ✓ A Good read for Parents Hold on to your Kids Why parents matter by Gabor Mate & Gordon Neufeld or check out the web page www.gabormate.ca Good parenting advice.
- ✓ Website www.healthyeatingstartshere.ca activeforlife.com

We are now able to provide Preauthorized fee payment to your credit-card. Inquire with Marietta or Jessie.