

Melfort Daycare Co-operative



July 2024 Newsletter

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Just like that, summer is here, and it seems the school year has flown by! It's been really fun to hear what everyone is looking forward to in the summer months, and some of the kids have a lot of big plans! We've also loved the warm summer days and watching the staff and children spend their time outside exploring and playing together.

I am thrilled to share that we raised an impressive \$950 during our Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed and supported this initiative. Your generosity helps us continue providing enriching experiences for our children.

Our staff have a lot of cool excursions and activities planned for the children this summer. These activities are not only fun but also educational, helping the children learn and grow in engaging ways. We are excited to see the joy and curiosity these experiences will bring.

Here's to a wonderful summer filled with fun, learning, and memorable experiences!

- Jamie and Montana

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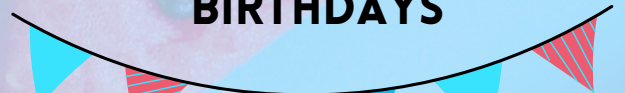
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(CELL PHONE IS ON FROM 6:30AM - 6:30PM, M-F)

BIRTHDAYS



SITE 1

Hayes - 16th

SITE 2

Remington - 9th

SITE 3

Emory - 23rd

Alex - 10th Braxlynn - 26th

Cohen - 23rd Stephanie - 30th

Hendrix - 30th



IMPORTANT DATES

Closed July 1st for Canada Day

Closed August 5th for Saskatchewan Day



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REMINDERS



We try to go outside daily please make sure your children bring appropriate outdoor gear so they can enjoy outdoor play in the warmer weather!



Please bring and label sunscreen and bug spray (non aerosol) for your children to use at daycare



Please ensure your children have indoor shoes and water bottles at daycare



Please keep your children home if they are feeling unwell to limit the amount of illness in the center



Please contact the center via Lillio if your child will not be at daycare



If you have any additional summer holidays booked, please send us a message on Lillio so that we can update our summer schedules.

ROOM UPDATES

SITE 1

UPSTAIRS

In the month of June, we had lots of fun discussing ourselves and our families. We explored what makes each of us unique, such as our fingerprints, and celebrated our individual differences. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn more about themselves and their friends.

We were fortunate enough to have many parents come and talk to us about their jobs. The children were fascinated to learn about a variety of professions, from working with tractors and seeds to teaching, massage therapy, and even the roles of doctors and dentists. We are very thankful to all the parents who took the time to visit and share their experiences with us.

As we move into July, we are very excited for our new theme: "The Very Hungry Caterpillar." This beloved story will guide our activities and discussions throughout the month. We can't wait to share all the fun and learning that this theme will bring!

Sam, Kennedy & Aneka

DOWNSTAIRS

The month of June has been pretty exciting for our preschoolers so far, filled with wonderful experiences and new discoveries!

One of the highlights has been taking care of our caterpillars and watching them grow. The children were thrilled to feed and care for them until they transformed into beautiful butterflies. We even had the pleasure and excitement of watching one of the butterflies emerge from her chrysalis! It was such a cool and memorable moment!

We had a special visit from the fire chief, who brought along a super cool fire truck! The kids were fascinated and loved exploring it. Additionally, Mr. Lefebvre brought over a super big sprayer, and the children were absolutely delighted to see it up close. These visits were truly unforgettable!



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DOWNSTAIRS CONTINUED

Our outdoor time has been fantastic. The children are enjoying building sandcastles, having water fights, and playing freeze tag. It's great to see them having so much fun in the fresh air.

We also have some exciting plans for the summer, including park days and community walks. There are plenty of other fun activities on the horizon, and we can't wait to share these adventures with the children. Bring on the summer!

Tina & Megan

SITE 2 INFANT ROOM

Our kiddos are absolutely loving water play! Whether it's splashing around in the wading pool outside or exploring the sensory bins, the children are making the most of the warm weather. Water play is not only fun but also a great way for them to develop their sensory skills.

We've been busy practicing with glue sticks and getting creative with stamping! Using brushes, sponges, and even flowers dipped in paint, the children are working on their hand-eye coordination, following one-step directions, and refining their fine motor skills. It's amazing to see their artistic talents bloom!

Balls and cars have become the favorites of the month. The kiddos are having a wonderful time pushing, throwing, and making car noises as they play. These activities are fantastic for developing their gross motor skills and sparking their imaginations.

Kim & Piper

TRANSITION ROOM

Summer is officially here! Let the fun begin! We are excited to welcome Aven and Ethan to our room and wish Everett and Blake lots of fun in the toddler room. We have an action-packed summer planned with a variety of exciting outdoor activities.

We'll be cooling off in the daycare pool on hot days, giving the children a chance to enjoy some splashy fun. Our sensory bins will be filled with dirt, water, and sand, providing endless opportunities for creative play. The children will have a blast making rivers in the sand and building boats to float on them. Additionally, they'll get hands-on with slime, goop, playdough, and bubbles, keeping them entertained and engaged.

We'll also go for walks around the neighborhood to explore and enjoy the surroundings. These outings will be a great way for the children to connect with nature and get some fresh air.

Please remember to bring in extra clothes for your child every day or leave them in your child's basket, which will be stored in the room. Make sure to include a bathing suit and towel, as we plan to use the pool on hot days. To keep everything organized, please label all your child's belongings.

Bonny & Jenn D



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TODDLER ROOM

The children had plenty of outdoor time filled with fun and laughter. They enjoyed running around, blowing lots and lots of bubbles, and making the most of the sunshine. When the weather wasn't on our side, we brought the fun indoors.

Inside, the kids had a blast with water play, coloring, and building forts on rainy days. They also got creative by making little animals using shells, which was a big hit. Just before lunch, we've been working on our ABCs, turning learning into a fun and engaging activity. We've been observing clouds in the sky, watching airplanes go by, and keeping an eye out for birds. No two days are the same, and every day yields its own special memory.

We've been focusing on important life skills, such as learning good potty habits, hand washing, and practicing good manners. The children are doing a fantastic job, and it's wonderful to see them grow and develop these essential skills.

Chris

PRESCHOOL ROOM

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to Karen, who is joining the preschool room! We are sorry to see Jenn go; she provided the children with many great experiences, and she will be greatly missed.

The children are excited to have Karen come into their room. They look forward to learning from her and experiencing all of her wonderful programming and planned activities. We are confident that Karen will bring fresh energy and creativity to the preschool room, making it an exciting place for our little ones to learn and grow.

Thank you for your continued support as we welcome Karen and say goodbye to Jenn. We appreciate your involvement in making our preschool community a nurturing and dynamic environment.

Management Team

SITE 3

We are thrilled to welcome some new faces at Site 3! A warm welcome to Margaret, Addison, and Emily, as well as all of our new children who have joined us from Site 1. We are delighted to have you all here and can't wait to share fun and learning experiences together.

This summer, we have some special excursions planned to make the most of the season. Our kiddos will have the opportunity to visit the SPCA to learn about animals, explore local parks, tour the fire station, and enjoy story time at the library. These outings are sure to be educational and exciting!

Our theme for July is farming! Throughout the month, the children will be learning about plants, animals, machinery, and food. We have a variety of engaging activities planned to help them understand where their food comes from and the importance of agriculture in our daily lives.

We are looking forward to an amazing summer full of adventures and discoveries.

Christina, Sera, Margaret, Emily & Addison

YOU CAN NOW CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE MENU AND RECIPES!



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MDC BOARD UPDATES

If you are interested in joining as an Officer, as an available Lead position, or sitting on a committee but not attending meetings, please head over to the Meet the Board page of our website to find out more information!

Being a member of the Board of Directors is one of the ways you can earn back your fees from the Fundraising Policy and support and contribute to the decisions of the MDC.

Open positions include:

Treasurer
Fundraising Lead
Officer
Committee Roles

If you are interested in sitting in on a meeting to check out if you would be a good fit for the board before committing, please send an email to melfortdaycareboard@gmail.com. Our next meeting will be on August 21.

FUNDRAISING AND VOLUNTEER UPDATES

The MDC Garage Sale hosted at Site 2 in May raised a total 433.15 and the remaining items were donated to the Salvation Army.

Thank you for all the donations, and to our volunteers who helped set up, run, and take down the sale.

The Co-op Gift Card fundraiser raised a total of \$950!

We thank you all for your continued support!

DONATION WISHLIST

Transition room: Old phone, keyboard, table lamp, artificial flowers, picture frames (5x7, 8x10, 4x6)

Toddler Room: REAL stethoscopes

Site 1: Old phones, keyboards, spare clothes (18 months- 5T)

