

La Perle Community Playschool

President's Message

Greetings to all our Playschool Families,

What an exciting month it has been! Playschool classes are in full swing. Children are settling into classroom routines, parents are connecting with each other, and our Playschool Community is as strong as ever!

It has been a treat to meet all of our Playschool families (either through Registration Night, or during class drop-offs and pick-ups). If you are still unfamiliar with any of our Board Members, please take a moment to reference our introduction poster outside the classroom, where our photos and positions are identified. Our contact information is in the Handbook and on our website, and several of us have children in Mrs. Wong's and Mrs. Knoll's classes! Please connect with us to share concerns, ask questions, and celebrate successes. As I mentioned at Registration Night, I think Jane D. Hull put it beautifully when she said, "At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents." Thank you for working collaboratively with our Board, our teachers, and our school to be the key to your child's success!

We are thrilled to announce that due to popular demand, we are opening more spots for 4-year-old students. Mrs. Wong's afternoon class will now become a 3 and 4 year-old combined class. This class is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. If you know of any families who are seeking a fantastic Playschool, please forward our Registrar's phone number (Tiffany Game: 1-866-927-6020), as well as our website: laperleplayschool.com for more information.

Please note that Toy Cleaning and Changeover dates are also important for families to be aware of. Class parties, field trips, and special events will be included in your child's monthly calendar. Thank you to our Toy Cleaning Captain, Changeover Captain, and Room Reps for keeping us all organized.

As we head into the second month of Playschool, we anticipate more fun, excitement, and learning through play in Mrs. Wong's and Mrs. Knoll's classrooms. On behalf of the Board, we thank each of you for your involvement in the Playschool and truly value your contributions.

Yours in Partnership,
Amanda Percy



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Important Dates This Month

October 10

Thanksgiving (no school)

October 21

PD day (no school)

See page 4 for full year of important dates.

Message From Carma Wong:

Dear Families of Three Year Olds,

One month of playschool has quickly gone by. The children are enjoying themselves, making new friends, settling into classroom routines and finding new learning opportunities. During September we discussed a variety of topics through lessons and activities on "All About Me". Specific areas of focus included personal appearance, family, friends, sharing and names. The children seemed to have fun and certainly had interesting comments and questions.

In the month of October we have been learning about "fall", highlighting the beautiful colors of nature this time of year and helping the children gain a better appreciation and understanding of them.

Before Thanksgiving we spent a few days raising awareness of the many things we can be grateful for, including families, the food we eat and the many things we sometimes take for granted.

For the balance of the month, we will be talking about Halloween and preparing for our Halloween Party. Halloween symbols such as spiders, pumpkins and cats will be used in our crafts and lessons. Each child is encouraged to dress up for the party on October 27th. Please join us for the last 15 minutes of class (10:45 am and 2:45 pm) for a costume parade and songs.

November brings us to the exciting topic of "Community Helpers". We will be going on a walking field trip to Dr. Farid's Dental Office (in the LaPerle Shopping Centre). We will also be happy and fortunate to have a nurse visit our class as well as a fire fighter. At the end of November, we will also be getting ready for Christmas.

To help make our class run smoother, please remember, when it is your parent helper day, to arrive at the classroom at 8:45 a.m., or 12:45 p.m. so I can explain what we will be doing for the morning/afternoon. Please also remember to sign in and out daily and it is your child's turn for show and tell on the day you help out. If each parent could encourage your child to sit quietly for a few minutes each day at home, doing something like a puzzle or looking at a book, it will help them with our circle time. Your continued cooperation in encouraging them to take off their own shoes when arriving at playschool will also help them become more independent.

I am very excited to be working with your children. Your continued cooperation in waiting outside until the door is opened at dismissal time is appreciated. Please feel free to approach me if you have any questions.

Your children are GREAT!!!!!!!!!!

Carma Wong



Halloween Costume Party!

On Thursday, October 27, please join us for the last 15 minutes of your child's class (10:45am or 2:45pm) to watch the costume parade and hear some songs the children have been practicing.

Message From Laurie Knoll,

Welcome 4 year Children and Families,

We've had a wonderful start to the year. The children are settling in very nicely. I am excited to get to know all of the new families and happy to see some familiar faces as well. I'm sure we will have a great partnership. We spent the first few weeks getting to know each other, learning new routines, classroom rules, and learning that we are all special. Our theme for the first part of September was "All About Me". We focused on learning that we are all alike yet very much different, getting to know each other, meeting new friends and old.

The theme for the rest of September and early October was Fall and Thanksgiving. We are learning about Fall colors, changes in Fall, and how animals and humans get ready for Winter. Our first field trip is to The John Janzen Nature Center. Riding the bus will be the best part of our first trip! It will be both educational and fun. Thank you to the parents who helped on our first field trip.

We will finish up October with the theme "Hoot'in Halloween". This is always a class favorite. Please send your children in their costume to class on Friday, October 28. Helpers, you can dress up if you'd like as well! Please join us for a costume parade and songs at 10:45 (am class) and 2:30 (pm class).

I am thoroughly enjoying getting to know the children and I can tell that this will be a fantastic year. The children are ready to have fun and appear eager to learn. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to see me, before or after class.

A Few Reminders:

Please take home artwork from the shelf each day.

Please remember show and tell (one item) on your helper day.

PLEASE PLEASE take your child to the washroom BEFORE class. This will eliminate wasted classroom time.

Please sign in and out on the board outside the class.

Please mark what you brought for snack on your helper day (this is a licensing must).

Please send appropriate clothing as the weather is getting colder and we may go outside if time permits.

Please continue to park in the community lot ONLY.

Please encourage independence, as we will focus on this in school.

Please ask your child about their day.

Thank you

Yours in Partnership,
Laurie Knoll



Halloween Costume Party!

Please join us for a costume party and songs for your child's class on Friday, October 28 at 10:45 (am class) and 2:30 (pm class). Children (and helpers) can come to class that day in their costumes.

Important Dates for 2016/17 Year

October

10 - Thanksgiving (No School)

21 - PD Day (No School)

November

10-15th - Fall Break (No School)

December

15 & 16th - Last Day of class before Winter Break

January

9 & 10th - First Day back after Winter Break

February

6 - PD Day (No School)

7 - La Perle Playschool Open House 6:00-8:00pm

20 - Family Day (No School)

March

2 & 3rd - Teacher's Convention (No School)

14 - La Perle Playschool Annual General Meeting 6:00-7:00pm

17 - PD Day (No School)

27-31st - Spring Break (No School)

April

14 & 17th - Easter (No School)

28 - PD Day (No School)

May

13 - La Perle Playschool Spring Tea

22-24th - Victoria Day, Day in Lieu, PD Day (No School)

June

15 & 16th - Last Day of Classes



Ad Space Available!

Did you know that you can submit your, or your company's business card to be printed in our playschool newsletters? For \$25.00/issue, (5 issues per year), you can advertise in this space to bring awareness of your business or services to the 60+ families that read our newsletters! Newsletters are printed for all our playschool families, and can also be found on our website.

Scan and email your card to Lindsay Cole at lindsaycole123@hotmail.com to be printed in our next issue!

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