

Kinderplace Childcare Centre Newsletter

Sept. 2017



Dear Parents

The first two weeks have been a very busy time at Kinderplace. We welcomed new families and said fond-farewell to those families who have left us at the end of August. We also saw quite a few of our preschoolers start JK which was so exciting.

Staffing

We said fond farewell to Sydney who worked at Kinderplace Vance site for over a year in the toddler room. She left to pursue her studies.

*We welcome a new E.C.E. to our preschool room and her name is **Ali**. She will team teach with Jocelyn.*

Jessica has moved to the infant room and work with Tina.

Rossana has moved to the toddler room to work with Joni.

We hired a new Educator Leanne who will be working with the Jk/Sks at Ecole this fall. Leanne is waiting for her vulnerable sector screen to come back and until then, she will not be working with the children on her own.

Vance Open House

Vance Chapman School will be hosting an open house on **Wednesday Sept. 20th 2017 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.** Kinderplace will remain open during that time in order for parents from the school to drop in and see our programs.

P.A. day

The next P.A. day for both school boards will be held on **Friday Sept. 29th 2017.**

Parents are requested to sign-up by **Monday Sept. 18th 2017** in their child's playroom area if full day care is required that day.

Professional development

Kinderplace will be closed at both locations on Thursday and **Friday Oct. 5th and 6th 2017** in order for staff to participate in professional development.



A.G.M.

Kinderplace will be holding it's **Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday November 8th 2017 at our Vance Chapman location.

Childcare and a light snack will be offered to our families who have signed up.

An agenda and sign-up sheet will go up one month ahead of the A.G.M.

Hope to see you there.

Menu

We were happy to have our regular cook Jen return at the end of August after being away for the summer.

She will be developing her fall menus which will be posted on the website in the near futures.

New regulations for Water testing in schools and Childcare Centres

Ontario is continuing to protect children's health with

new regulation changes aimed at improving drinking water testing in Childcares and schools to minimize children's exposure to lead.

New amendments to Ontario regulation 243/07 that came in to effect July 1, 2017 will now require lead testing for all fixtures used to provide drinking water and/or prepare food or drink for children under 18 years of age.

Studies show that lead levels in drinking water from plumbing can vary substantially between individual taps or fountains. Only by testing each drinking water fixture can child care centres and schools be sure they are not exposing children to lead through any of the plumbing within their facilities.

Ontario Regulation 243/07 also requires testing to measure the presence of lead in drinking water against the provincial drinking water quality standard of 10 mgs

per litre based on the national guideline set by health Canada.

For more information about flushing and sampling for lead in childcare centres and schools visit www.ontario.ca/drinkingwater or call the Ministry of the Environment and Public information centre or 1-800-565-4923.

Kinderplace will be working closely with Lakehead Public schools to ensure all drinking water taps and taps that are used to prepare food or drink are tested within the designated time set out by the Ministry of Environment.

Have a great rest of the month.

*Brenda Sas
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