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TEACHER'S REPORT

The children are definitely getting settled into preschool now and seem to be truly enjoying each other and the routines that they are establishing. They are exploring and playing together, and showing their ability to share, include, and take turns. It is wonderful to see!

In the month of November, all classes will be exploring occupations. Through experiences provided by this theme the children will become aware of a great number of occupations and the way these workers help us today. If you are interested in sharing your profession with our classes we would love to hear from you and make arrangements for you to come in.

Learning with Lego bricks is the perfect opportunity and so much fun for the children this month; building fine motor skills, practicing cooperative play, creativity, and early math skills.

If you hear your child talking about Tag Bags we are promoting early math skills and literacy skills with these unique Tag Bags. The variety of fasteners the children have to open and close, fosters fine motor skills that children need.

'Mat Man' continues to be popular with the older classes as the children learn body awareness, cooperation, organization, and sequencing as they build Mat Man. Our time includes building 'Mat Man' individually and in large groups working on being a team player.

By the end of the month children are already starting to feel the excitement of the holiday season, so we talk about what they see, hear, or smell that tells us Christmas is coming. Early November all classes will begin practicing for our Seasonal Christmas Party, during the last few minutes of class.

LITTLE REMINDERS

Parents please let teachers know of any changes in phone numbers, addresses or medical concerns. We need to **keep information current.**

Please clearly **label your child's belongings** (lunch bag, backpack, shoes, etc.) to avoid any confusion or lost items.

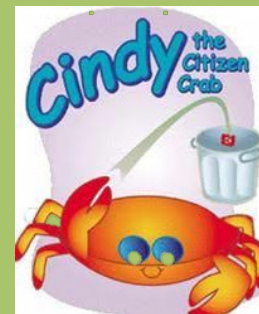
Scholastic Book orders take at least 3 weeks for processing and delivery. Watch for a new order form every 2 months.

During **bad weather conditions**, our school will be closed when temperatures drop to -35 degrees (excluding wind chill). Parents please listen to our local Radio Station for conformation. FM 101.1 or Q105.7

CHARACTER EDUCATION: "CITIZENSHIP"

Your preschooler will meet Cindy the Citizen Crab and be encouraged through stories, songs and activities to:

- Cooperate
- Obey rules
- Respect people in charge
- Not to litter



Before children can be citizens of the community, they must learn to be citizens in the classroom. Children who learn to get along with their classmates will be able to learn to get along in their community. One way to help preschool children become good citizens is by teaching them not to litter; to do their share to make your home, school, and community a better place for everyone!

Snack Attack

Broccoli Cheddar Bites Recipe

(A quick healthy snack and great way to sneak in some veggies)

Ingredients

1 large bunch of broccoli florets/ 2 eggs, lightly beaten/ 1/2 cup, packed, torn fresh bread (no crust)/ 1/4 cup grated onion/ 1/4 cup mayonnaise/ 1 cup (4 ounces, 114 g), packed, grated sharp cheddar cheese/ 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon zest/ 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt/ 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1 Steam and chop the broccoli: Place 1 inch of water in a pot with a steamer basket. Bring to a boil. Add the broccoli florets. Steam the broccoli florets for 5 minutes, until just tender. Rinse with cold water to stop the cooking. Finely chop the steamed broccoli florets. You should have 2 to 2 1/2 cups.

2 Make filling: Place the beaten eggs and the torn bread in a large bowl. Mix until the bread is completely moistened. Add the grated onion, mayonnaise, cheese, lemon zest, salt and pepper. Stir in the minced broccoli.

3 Distribute broccoli mixture in mini muffin pan wells: Preheat oven to 350°F. Coat the wells of 2 mini muffin pans (1 dozen wells each) with olive oil (so the bites don't stick). Distribute the broccoli mixture in the muffin wells.

4 Bake: Bake at 350°F for 25 minutes until cooked through and lightly browned on top.



SPECIAL THANKS



We appreciate all donations of recyclable items, paper towel rolls, and supplies for open ended art. Thank you to the Opperman and Hagedorn families for the great craft and art supplies; the children will make good use of them.



Our visit to the Brooks Food Bank during Thanksgiving week was a way for the children to practice being good citizens, by helping and caring about people in our community. Thank you for all your donations.



We are very grateful for our parent helpers; you're terrific in helping in so many ways.

Special thanks to all the parents who supported us during our Fall Walks, and Pick a Pumpkin and Bake Sale Fundraiser. We appreciate all the parents who dedicated their time to donate to the bake sale and to everyone who came out to support us.



Thanks to the many businesses and families that helped make our Pick a Pumpkin event a success!
Pumpkin Donations (IGA, Safeway, No Frills, Amanda Shanks & Family, Erica Webb & Family, Heather Pahl, Hawk Husty & Family, Kimberly Doerksen & Family)
Lynda Langille - Face Painting

Thank you to all those that sold and bought fruit for our BC Fruit Fundraiser!!! – Fruit is expected to be delivered mid November. We will let you know when we have an arrival date.



CHILD OBSERVATIONS







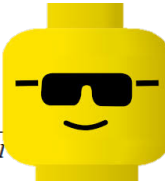





At the end of December you will receive an observation checklist on how your child is learning. The observations are a combination of our Program Philosophy Statement which is adapted from the current research regarding developmental milestones, for children 3 and 4 year olds. This is not a report card; it is to let parents know about your child's progress and development during the year. We encourage you to stay involved in your child's every day experiences and celebrate how well they are doing.

REMINDER

Parents please help yourself to the information & pamphlets available in the front entrance of our preschool PARNETS CORNER. We have lots of current community resources and information about nutrition, exercise & well-being.

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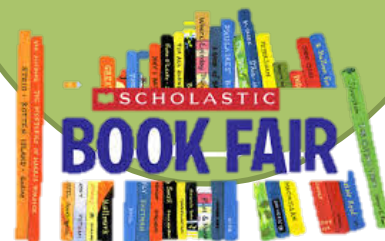
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 911 Emergency Services	2 Being a Good Citizen Police Officer and Car Visits 	3 Fire Safety Fire Chief and Truck Visits 	4
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12 	13 NO SCHOOL In lieu of Remembrance Day	14 	15 Learning With Lego	16 Learning With Lego (Trip to Pottery Guild) 	17 Learning With Lego (Trip to Pottery Guild) 	18
19	20 Learning With Lego	21	22 Learning With Lego	23 Learning With Lego	24 Learning With Lego	25
26	27 Signs of Christmas	28 	29 Signs of Christmas	30 Signs of Christmas		

Get a head start on your Christmas Shopping

The Brooks Preschool will be having a **Scholastic Book Fair** towards the end of the month.

Come and check out a wide variety of books and toys available for purchase and order. Go ahead and fill those stockings!

Keep an eye out on our website and Facebook pages for more info to come



SPECIAL DAYS



Police Car Visits: Thursday 2nd & Friday 10th the children in the 4-5 year old classes will experience a visit from a local RCMP Constable and we will be outside for a period of time at the beginning of class.

Fire Truck Visits: Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th, and & Friday 3rd Fire Fighters will visit each of the classes and the children will have a chance to climb on a fire truck and learn about Fire Safety. We will be practicing STOP DROP and ROLL. Please dress your child warm as we will be outside for a period of time near the end of classes.



Brooks and District Handicraft Guild: Thursday November 16th and Friday November 17th. The children will be visiting the guild and making a Christmas decoration.

