A Message from Our Teachers

In February, we will focus on sharing, caring, love and friendship. For our Valentine’s Day parties we will be making mailboxes. We encourage children to bring Valentine cards to distribute. Please do not address the cards to other students. Write only your child’s name on the cards (ex. From Jack). This will make it easier to drop into each mailbox one after another without having to search back and forth for particular names. Many of our students will enjoy writing their names themselves. If so, please allow plenty of time to do so in order to make this a positive experience.

Please also remember that in following the Canadian Rockies school calendar, there will be no school Family Day week – February 16-20.

If your child is moving on to a 4 year-old program, we encourage you to take a closer look at how our programs grow with your child. If you haven’t yet had a chance, please contact the office to arrange a visit or to talk with our teachers. Come see our 4 year-old program in action – we would love to tell you more!

A Fingerplay for February!

I put my hands together,
This is how I start;
I curve my fingers right around,
And I can make a Heart!

Ms. Nataliya and Ms. Carmen
JOIN THE BOARD!

Board members' children are guaranteed their class placement.

We are seeking new board members for the 2015-2016 school year. Attendance at monthly meetings is required for certain positions because we need a quorum of votes (6 of 9) to finalize decisions. Please let us know if you can help out. 403-678-2538. Thanks!

**VICE CHAIRPERSON**
- Attend monthly meetings. Usually about 1.5 hours, third week of each month.
- **Manage the website.**
  - Wordpress site; requires periodic updates; involves a bit of writing and dragging and dropping photos.

**SECRETARY**
- Attend monthly meetings. Usually about 1.5 hours, third week of each month.
- **Take minutes at monthly meetings.**
  - Distribute them to board after meetings, and file copies.

**NEWSLETTER COORDINATOR**
- Attend monthly meetings. Usually about 1.5 hours, third week of each month.
- **Create each monthly edition of the newsletter for parents.**
  - Nancy is the prime source for info and photos to include, and for editing before it’s sent out. The Children’s Events Coordinator provides the calendar of classroom activities.
  - Can use the program of your choice – Word, Publisher, Pages…

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**
- Attend monthly meetings. Usually about 1.5 hours, third week of each month.
- **Keep track of families’ volunteer hours.**
  - Each family contributes 4 volunteer hours per child in preschool.
- **Find volunteers to act as Room Parents; one per class for the school year.**
  - Room Parents make sure each month that the Parent of the Day calendar is full for their class, and all families are taking their turn.

**FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR**
- Attend monthly meetings. Usually about 1.5 hours, third week of each month.
- **Oversee fundraising efforts.**
  - The Raffle Coordinator and the Artisans Market Coordinator report to this person.
  - We have sold local chocolate in Feb and local pizza in May for the last few years. We have not decided whether to continue these, but if we do, the details are all ready to go.

We are also seeking a non-voting board committee member to assist the Artisans Market Coordinator in putting on a fantastic local event celebrating it’s 20th year in 2015!

**ARTISANS MARKET ASSISTANT**
**CANMORE PRESCHOOL AGM & REGISTRATION NIGHT**  
Wednesday, March 4th, 2015 7:00pm  
Mountain Lady Greenhouse - 60 Lincoln Park, Canmore  
(The Greenhouse is located behind NAPA Autoparts & the Ford Dealership off of Highway 1-A.)

The meeting should last about an hour & it is recommended to attend without children if possible to focus on business and wrap up the meeting as soon as possible. We are working on arranging childcare on site for anyone who needs it. For all of the information about the AGM including what to bring and PDF’s of all the forms, please visit our website at CanmorePreschool.com

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**~THANK YOU!!~**

Thank you to Anne Gilbert for visiting all our classes to talk about good food choices and the Canada Food guide. We hope you have found some good recipes in the cookbook she gave to each of the children.  
Thank you to the parents that have left extra clothes in the preschool office. They will come in handy!  
Thanks to Tanya Belireau for donating some kitchen dishes supplies for the house keeping centre.

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**~FRIENDLY REMINDERS~**

****Please refrain from letting your children play on the daycare children's personal bikes that are parked against the daycare side of the building. It is upsetting the children when they see out the windows.  
***Donate to the Canmore Preschool at the Bottle Depot.  
**Scholastic books help raise funds / points for teachers to purchase new books.  
*Please remember to check the volunteer board and to sign up for parent of the day.  
**Occasionally check the Lost & Found to ensure your child does not have any missing items.  
***If you have any unwanted arts and crafts supplies, please donate them to the shoebox in the Lobby cubby.  
****You can also donate any unwanted outdoor winter gear to be used for any children that forget to bring their own.
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**FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR**  
VOLUNTEER NEEDED!  
See Ms. Nancy for details!

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### Newsletter Delivery

The Canmore Preschool is doing its part for the environment. We try not to print our monthly newsletter. Each edition will be emailed to parents, and can be viewed on our website at [www.canmorepreschool.com](http://www.canmorepreschool.com).

Please send any submissions to paul@banfffire.com before the 15th of each month for inclusion in the following month’s newsletter. Thank you!

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**FAMILY DAY & TEACHER’S CONFERENCE ~ NO CLASSES**

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**Mark your calendar!**

**CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING LESSONS for 4-Year-Old CLASSES**

**March 16, 2015 at the Nordic Centre**

TrailSports and the Nordic Centre are once again hosting our 4yo classes for ski lessons! Each 4yo class will have a 1-hour lesson (schedule coming soon) and each student must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. 4yos will have **no regular classes** this day and should meet at the Nordic Centre. We hope you can join us!