A Message from the Teachers

Dear Families,

Thank you for all the warm wishes and valentines! We had fun exploring the theme of Love and Friendship this month. We learned that being a good friend means developing skills such as cooperation, sharing, giving and accepting compliments and apologies. We hope that we have all become a bit more loving, caring and friendlier this month!

We continue our monthly music classes with Ms. Sue and Entangled Puppetry, body movement classes with Ms. Cathy and library visits with Ms. Rhonda. The bus ride is a real highlight!

Our Pre-K classes will have a fun day of Cross-Country Skiing on Wednesday, March 7. Each class will meet at the Nordic Centre at their scheduled time. If you would like, please feel free to bring a snack. Though not a supervised preschool activity, the lodge is open and the students and parents often enjoy sharing some time together after their lesson. Please remember that there are no regular classes for Pre-K on that day. Looking ahead to March, we will be exploring the fun and familiar theme of Nursery Rhymes….and of course, Green days to celebrate St. Patrick’s day!

Our biggest event in March is Registration Night and AGM for the 2018-19 school year. The event will take place on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Holiday Inn, 1 Silvertip Trail, Canmore. We are so proud of your children’s accomplishments this year and we hope you will continue to learn and grow with us next year.

May the luck of the Irish be with you this month and beyond!

Ms. Carmen and Ms. Claire
PreK Cross Country Skiing

Wednesday, March 7th –
No regular PreK classes on this day!

This is a regular class day for the 3yo Afternoon class only.
March 7th will be a special day for our PreK classes. Parents, please plan to bring your child to the Nordic Centre, with a helmet, and stay for the hour-long lesson (schedule below). It is okay for one parent to bring two or three kids if your child has been skiing before and will not need your active help throughout the lesson. Please look in your cubbies in February to find the permission slip. Thanks!

- Claire’s PreK morning class, arrive Nordic Centre at 9:00am, lesson 9:30-10:30am.
- Carmen’s PreK morning class, arrive Nordic Centre at 10:30am, lesson 11:00am-12:00pm.
- Carmen’s PreK afternoon class, arrive Nordic Centre at 12:30am, lesson 1:00-2:00pm.

Registration Night & AGM

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn, 1 Silvertip Trail, Canmore

Thank you to the Holiday Inn for donating the meeting space!

In order to register for 2018-2019, and ensure your child’s place:

1. Before the meeting, complete the online registration, including $45 registration fee.
2. On March 7, attend AGM at the Holiday Inn.
   - Families who attend will be placed in classes before families who do not attend.
   - The meeting will last about an hour, and childcare will be available on site for attendees.
   - The meeting has 2 purposes –
     - AGM – Society members (you!) elect the board for the following year. We cannot accept registrations for the following year until there is a board in place. We truly are a parent-directed organization
     - Registration – If you registered online, just be sure to sign in.
       - Paper registration forms will be available at the meeting if needed.
3. In April, we will advise families of their class placements.

If there are too many applicants for a particular class, we assign space in that class by lottery. Parents must attend AGM for their child to enter the lottery. Once initial class lists have been made, all families who did not attend AGM will be placed or waitlisted in the order received, as space allows. After AGM, we continue to accept registrations on a rolling basis.

Please see the following page for our 2018-2019 class schedule and fees. Hope to see you at AGM!
Children make enormous developmental strides from the time they turn three until they are 5-year-olds heading to their first day of Kindergarten. Our program continues to challenge them throughout this dynamic time, by adding complexity and interest as children develop new skills.

Our program grows with your child...

**3-Year-Old Preschool**
Offers an introduction to school with art, theme days, music classes, daily gym time, outdoor days, library visits, community visitors, games, puzzles, & more.

**3yo Morning Class**
8:45-11:00am
Tuesday/Thursday
$125/month
11 Sept 2018 - 21 June 2019
Parents must volunteer about once/month

**3yo Afternoon Class**
12:30-2:30pm
Tues/Thurs or Mon/Wed
$120/month
10 Sept 2018 - 21 June 2019
Parents must volunteer about once/month

To register for 3yo Preschool, children must be born in 2015, and potty trained.

**Pre-Kindergarten**
Offers all of the elements in 3yo preschool with added complexity for older children.

**Plus** Handwriting Without Tears, Empathy program, Body Moves classes, calendar counting songs, bread baking, soup making, seed sprouting, seasonal scavenger hunts, cross country ski day, super helper system, & more.

**PreK Morning Class**
8:45-11:45am
Monday/Wednesday/Friday
$145/month
10 Sept 2018 - 21 June 2019
Parents must volunteer about once/month

**PreK Afternoon Class**
12:30-3:30pm
Monday-Thursday
$204/month
10 Sept 2018 - 21 June 2019
Parents must volunteer 3x/year
Educational assistant 3x/week

To register for PreK, children must be born in 2014, and potty trained.
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Newsletter Delivery

The Canmore Preschool is doing its part for the environment. Please tell Lindsey if you wish to receive printed newsletters, otherwise it will be emailed to all families and can be viewed on our website.
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**Spring Break – Classes resume on April 9th**