A Message from our Teachers

Congratulations to all of our students and their families on a great start to the new school year! Our days have been full and busy. While getting to know each other, we have also been working together to develop routines and set up classroom expectations. Thank you to our parent helpers thus far for helping to support this goal!

We look forward to exploring themes of Harvest, Thanksgiving and Halloween this month. You may have noticed some letter pages coming home from the Pre-K program. They are part of the Handwriting Without Tears Curriculum which we will be working on throughout the school year. Please ask us if you have any questions.

With Thanksgiving on the horizon, we would like to say thank you to all our families for being part of our preschool community.

Happy Thanksgiving! Ms. Carmen and Ms. Claire

Thank You

(Sung to: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

Thank you for the sun so bright
Thank you for the moon at night
Thank you for my family
Thanks for friends who play with me
Thanks for everything I see
My toys, my books, for you and me!
Canmore Christmas Artisans Market

**November 17 & 18**

Our 23rd Annual Artisans Market, will take place November 17 & 18 at the Canmore Collegiate High School. Artisans’ tables have filled up fast, and we’re expecting a great Bow Valley turn-out for the event.

This is a major fundraiser for the Preschool, and it is made possible by YOU! Please check the bulletin board in the preschool lobby, or follow this link to the online sign up.

This is a fun way to contribute your 4 hours of volunteer work and get your holiday shopping done with nearly a hundred local artisans under one roof!

**Rocky Mountain Raffle**

Each fall we run the Rocky Mountain Raffle. We sell tickets at the Artisans Market and throughout November, and also ask each family to sell one book of 10 tickets at $5.00 per ticket. Our volunteer Raffle Coordinators are working hard to collect prize donations. The prizes will include a night in a deluxe lakeview room at Chateau Lake Louise and so much more! There will be ten prize packages in all. The grand prize drawing will be on December 12th.

If each family were to sell just 2 ticket books, we would be sold out! So we will offer incentive prizes for the top sellers, as well as a prize drawing for every family that sells 2 books. More info to come!

**Books! Books! Books!**

Scholastic Books order forms will be distributed in cubbies each month, with the order deadline stamped on the front. Orders usually arrive about two weeks after the deadline.

You can put your orders in the drop box in the lobby with an attached cheque. You may also pay with a credit card online and write the payment confirmation on the order, but don’t forget to still put the order in the box!

To pay online, go to [parentpay.scholastic.ca](http://parentpay.scholastic.ca)

**Province:** Alberta  
**City:** Canmore  
**School:** Canmore Presch Society  
**Teacher:** Nancy McGinn or Lindsey Madden
Picture Day:

Tuesday, October 23rd
THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR CLASSES ON PICTURE DAY.

Ms. Claire’s Classes
9:00am – 3yo Morning Class
9:30am – PreK Morning Class
10:00am – 3yo m/w Afternoon Class
10:30am – 3yo t/th Afternoon Class

Ms. Carmen’s Classes
12:30pm – PreK Afternoon Class
1:00pm – 3yo Morning Class
1:30pm – PreK Morning Class

Please arrive a few minutes early, so we can take the class picture at the listed time!

After the class photo you can choose to have individual pictures taken. If you order a package of individual photos, a class picture will be included at no extra charge. Otherwise, a print of the class picture will cost $7.00. We’re pleased that Harvey Walsh from Olds will be taking our pictures again, as he has for many years. Siblings are welcome to attend, and if you’d like sibling photos, Harvey will take them at the end of the individual shots for each class. Proofs and order forms will be in your cubbies in November. See you there!

Fire Prevention Week

We look forward to welcoming Sparky the Fire Dog back into our classrooms once again. Sparky and the Canmore Firefighters will visit us on October 10th & 11th. If you think your child may be nervous of the firefighters, or you’d just like to take some photos, please join us for the visit. At the end of each visit we will go out to see the fire truck!

Tue. Oct. 9 – 10:15-11:00 3yo Morning Classes
Tue. Oct. 9 – 1:45-2:30 3yo T/Th Afternoon Class
Mon. Oct. 15 – 11:00-11:45 PreK Morning Classes
Mon. Oct. 15 – 1:45-2:30 3yo M/W Afternoon Class
Mon. Oct. 15 – 2:45-3:30 PreK Afternoon Class

Nurse & Dental Hygienist Visits

Thank you to our class visitors who are teaching us about hand-washing and tooth-brushing!

Halloween Parties!

October 30th (3yoAM, 3yoPMt/th) &
October 31st (PreKAM, PreKPM, 3yoPMm/w)

All students are encouraged to dress up in celebration of Halloween.

Students are welcome to bring a special snack for themselves, however we ask that no food items be brought to class to share. Thanks!
### Newsletter Delivery

We email the newsletter to all families each month, but we only print you a paper copy if you have requested it in your registration. If you change your mind one way or the other, just let Lindsey know in the office.

### Bottle Depot Donations

When recycling your bottles you can ask them to donate your refund to Canmore Preschool Society! We appreciate it :)

### Mabel’s Labels

Anytime you are looking to buy labels for your child’s shoes, clothes, or snack bag - you can buy them at [mabelslables.com](http://mabelslables.com) and Preschool will receive 20% of your purchase. Just select Canmore Preschool Society from the alphabetical drop-down list at [http://mabelslables.com/support-a-fundraiser](http://mabelslables.com/support-a-fundraiser)