

Classroom Newsletter

Dalhousie Community
Kindergarten
November 2019



What's Happening

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Parent/Teacher meetings for all students will take place the evening of November 21 and the morning of November 22. Mrs. Scherpenisse will be in touch with information regarding these meetings and sign up procedure for them.

Parent Council Raffle

Each year the program provides parent council with a base budget that they then allocate towards extra activities and field trips for the current school year. Parent Council typically supplements that budget with fundraising activities.

This year, your council was able to secure donation of prizes from the Calgary Flames via the Dunwald family, which will be raffled off at the winter celebration on December 17th. Watch for more information to come home, but tickets will be \$5 each and the grand prize is 2 tickets to see the Calgary Flames play the Edmonton Oilers on Saturday January 11, along with a parking pass and autographed Flames jersey!

Dates to Remember

- Nov. 1 – No School
- Nov. 5 – Parent Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 5 – Movie Night, 5-7 p.m.
- Nov. 7 – Mad Science in the classroom
- Nov. 8 – Grocery tour at Dalhousie Safeway
- Nov. 11 – No School
- Nov. 15 – No School
- Nov. 19 & 20 – Casino Fundraiser – **Have you signed up?**
- Nov. 21 – Music class with Mrs. K
- Nov. 21 – Parent teacher meetings (*evening*)
- Nov. 22 – No school, parent teacher meetings
- Nov. 24 – Dalhousie Christmas artisan craft fair

****Save the Date****

Family Winter Celebration – evening of
Tuesday December 17, 6:30 p.m. (*tentative*)



Happy Birthday!

Josephine – November 19

Quinn – November 29



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Building with
Marble Works



Writing
From our
Word
Wall



Making our
pumpkin craft



Apple
Pie craft

Casino Volunteers Still Needed

As you know, our biggest fundraiser is coming up – working at the Cowboys Casino on Wednesday, Nov. 19 and Thursday, Nov. 20. As we are a small program, it is challenging to get enough volunteers but it is so worth it for the amount of money raised for our program in such a short period.

Our last casino was held in the fall of 2017, and has provided funds that have allowed us to continue to offer extra classroom resources and activities and allows us to continue to operate with our small class size of 18 students and a teacher's aide.

A HUGE thank you to everyone who has signed-up to date. **Unfortunately, we are still working hard to fill the last spots on our schedule.** Please ask others if they may be willing to help us with this volunteer task. Volunteers do not need any particular skills or experience to fill any of the roles, as support and training is provided for each and every task. Volunteers are provided with a free meal as well as snacks and drinks during their shift AND our ever-lasting gratitude. Volunteer confirmations and additional information about the event will be sent via email about a week before, but if you have any questions, please contact Tracey in the admin office.

Reminder



If your child is sick or will be missing school, please let us know as soon as possible. You can leave a message on the school phone, 403-288-1050 or text the classroom cell, 403-875-8783. A planned absence, let Mrs. Scherpenisse know directly.

Thanks for your help with this.



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Teacher's Corner

October is coming to an end and we have been working hard in the Kindergarten classroom. The students have explored the changes we see in fall despite the early snow. Our fall walk was a chilly one but it provided a wonderful opportunity for the kids to see how the leaves were changing and how the bunnies were still brown and not quite ready for winter. As we moved into all things Halloween, we were able to add some great words to our word wall, learn about bats and continue learning about beginning sounds using some Halloween pictures.

As we move into November we will be working on learning all about our 5 senses and about making healthy food choices for our bodies. I am excited to have Mad Science coming into our classroom to teach us all about our taste buds. We are also taking a tour of the grocery store at the Dalhousie Safeway to learn about where we can find the healthy foods our bodies need. We will continue our work on beginning sounds as well as patterning, which we just started! We will also be completing the final letters in our Rainbow books and begin working more in our Journals.

In November, you will also be receiving a Progress Report for your child. The progress report allows me to provide you with information about how your child is settling into our classroom and what skills they are demonstrating up to this point in time. Please rest assured that if I have had any concerns about your child at all I would already have been in touch. This report just gives you a small window into the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support! We are really enjoying having so many parents who are eager to help us out both inside and outside of the classroom.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Scherpenisse

