# **Classroom Newsletter**

Dalhousie Community Kindergarten January 2019



## What's Happening

#### Skating Lessons

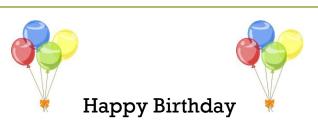
Begin January 16 at the Brentwood Sportsplex (leaving the school at 9:15 am). Dates for skating are January 16, 23, 30 February 6 and 13. Class times remain the same on these days, although there are NO regular classes for children not skating. Please remember to pack your child's helmet and skates along with a warm sweater and snow pants. Volunteers don't need to go on the ice with the kids, but if you have a pair of skates handy, please feel free to join us! Extra on-ice hands will keep everyone having fun.

### **Registration and Open House**

We will be hosting an Open House on Tuesday January 15, 6:30 – 7:30 pm for prospective families to view the class, meet Mrs. Fricker and have their questions answered. You are our best form of advertising though! If you know any families with kindergarten aged children that are looking at their options for next year, please send them our way. Tell them about the Open House, direct them to our website at <u>www.dcakids.com</u> and / or tell them to contact us directly. Kindergarten Registration will take place on Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

#### **Dates to Remember**

Jan 8 – Classes Resume Jan 14 – Parent Council Meeting, 7pm Jan 16 – Skating Lessons, 9:45 – 10:45am Jan 23 – Skating Lessons, 9:45 – 10:45am Jan 30 – Skating Lessons, 9:45 – 10:45am Feb 6 – Skating Lessons, 9:45 – 10:45am



Asher – January 26<sup>th</sup> Ashton – January 28<sup>th</sup>

### **Swimming Lessons**

Mark your calendars now for swimming lessons. We will need parent help in the change rooms – especially for the boys. Any Dads or Grandpas that could help are very welcome! The dates are April 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 17 from 9:30 – 10:15 am. Lessons are at Foothills Pool by the University.









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We would like to welcome Ms. Vesna Hudson as our new Program Administrator. She will work on Monday and Wednesdays so please join us in warmly welcoming her!

Pyjama day and Miss. Catherine's last day ---->

# **Teacher's Corner**

Happy New Year!

After a restful holiday, filled with the most beautiful weather (thank you Calgary), we are so excited to be back!



A new year is all about a fresh start - and that's what we are going to give our classroom. We will refresh and dust off our old routines, as well as introduce some new ones! This month will be all about challenging ourselves - particularly when our skating program starts on the 16th! I have no doubt our students will rise to the occasion - just as they did when we conquered Injanation in November.

To help them out a little, we will be slowing down and taking the time to approach our new challenges with a "growth mindset". We will be introducing the word "yet" into our classroom vocabulary regularly. As we recognize there are things we are unable to do or challenges that go unconquered, we will start to recognize these as things we can't do - yet. Our mindset influences so much!

Speaking of mindset, January will be all about ``embracing winter``. We have already spent a lot of time looking at the things WE need to navigate winter successfully (in particular - all of those winter clothing items, hats, mitts, boots, that keep us warm when we are playing outside!). We will turn our attention to our animal friends, and look at how they spend their winter days.

Through all of this, our Mystery Reader Mondays start back up and will continue throughout the new year - if you've already visited us once, don't hesitate to pay us another! The children have really enjoyed all of the surprise readers we've had thus far, and the stories you are bringing into the classroom have sparked all kinds of interesting investigations and discussions - so thank you all SO MUCH for that!

Lindsay.







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	7 No School	8 Classes Resume	9	10	11	12
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