

JANUARY 2023

# LCNS NEWSLETTER

GREETINGS FROM LAKESHORE CO-OPERATIVE NURSERY



## Happy New Year LCNS!

We had a lot of fun with our Gingerbread Parties in December. Your child may have shared with you that we had an outdoor story time, played the gingerbread chase game, made gingerbread art and ate a special snack of gingerbread sandwiches. The gingerbread story is one that is easy for children to join in telling and we will continue to have our storytelling basket out with the main characters in the new year. In a story that has a repetitive element, we can support

children's literacy development by pausing to allow the children to help tell the story and to join in with the repetitive phrases.

In December, we also noticed that many children had an interest in transporting (or moving) materials. We saw the children loading baskets, dump trucks, bottles, and crates with blocks, bells, sand, snow, and other materials. In the toddler class, the children used the doll strollers and school bus to move babies and people around. To help children continue to explore this interest, we added some purses and tote bags to the classroom. As well, the children

have been using the wagons and sleds to pull each other and move larger materials. Finally, we have some scooter boards in the classroom that the children have been using to move themselves. It is interesting to watch as they explore different ways to use them – some children sit on the boards and move themselves with their feet, others lay on the board and pull themselves with their hands and arms.

In the toddler class, many of the children have been exploring the arches. They have worked together as a team to build long tunnels, put items such as vehicles underneath, and used

blocks to build on top. It's been exciting to watch the class work together on these projects.

In January, we are celebrating our pets. On January 25th, 26th, and 27th, we invite the children to bring a photo of their pet(s) or a pet they wish they had. If you don't have access to photo printing, please email a photo to the teachers.

As a reminder, we will continue to play outside daily through the Winter months. Please ensure that your child is dressed to keep them warm and dry. Also, please remember to take your child to the bathroom right before you leave for school. It takes a long time to get inside to the bathroom and get undressed if they need to go while we are on the playground.

Finally, we wish to thank all the families who have supported our school through donating to our giving tree requests. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Cooperatively yours,

Kelly, Rachelle, Nancy, and Ashley

## CUDDLE UP AND READ

### A TIP FROM OUR TEACHERS

The Scholastic Book Club is a great opportunity to build your home library and support our school! Every order you place earns free books for our classroom. Families can place their orders directly with Scholastic on the website and have the books shipped to their homes. **Our class code is RC137241.** Flyers can be accessed online: [scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer](https://www.scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer). If you would prefer a paper copy of the flyer each month, please let the teachers know.



## HELP WANTED!

- Volunteer to shovel the emergency exit after each snowfall (at drop off)

Help Wanted! The school has misc tasks that do not fit into a committee, so we are looking for volunteers to help. If you wish to help with one of these tasks, please speak to the teachers. Thank you!

## GIVING TREE ITEMS NEEDED:

- Brown folded paper towels (Costco)
- Glue Sticks (40g size)
- Empty plastic grocery bags

Giving tree items are items you may have around the house or that you could pick up while doing your shopping that the school needs.



# MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Hello everyone,

We are Raghavi and Sumudu and we are the Health Officers for this year.

Our son Aran attends the toddler program on Fridays. He loves being outdoors and is endlessly fascinated by cars and trucks. This is his first year at the nursery and he loves it. He is always impatient to enter the playground when we drop him off in the mornings and asks us to open the gate so he can go inside to play right away.

We are so happy Aran is able to attend such a great nursery right in our neighbourhood. It has been a pleasure working with the teachers and other board and committee members, everyone has been very welcoming and supportive.

Raghavi & Sumudu

## CLEANING DUTY

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 13**

## DID YOU KNOW?

If you're decluttering and need a place to donate your children's used clothing or toys, you can bring them to The Children's Marketplace (255 Toll Gate Blvd in Waterloo) and donate on behalf of LCNS! Simply let the store know when dropping off your items. See their website for more information.

## FACEBOOK GROUP

LCNS has a Facebook group for parents to connect! Our group is set to private, so please reach out to our Vice President, Candace, at [lakeshorenursery.vp@gmail.com](mailto:lakeshorenursery.vp@gmail.com) for an invite.

# SNACK CALENDAR

## JANUARY 2023

### MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<div>★</div> <div>Two Week</div>	<div>Break</div>	<div>★</div> <div>For The</div>	<div>Winter Holiday</div> <div>★</div>	<div>★</div> <div>Enjoy!!</div> <div>★</div>
<div>9</div> <div>Frozen Mangos &amp; Graham Crackers</div>	<div>10</div> <div>Canned Peaches and Cinnamon Chex</div>	<div>11</div> <div>Celery, whole wheat Naan &amp; Hummus</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Cherry tomatoes &amp; whole grain crackers and marble cheese</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Celery, Hummus, whole wheat naan *January Cleaning Night 7PM*</div>
<div>16</div> <div>Blackberries &amp; gelatin-free vanilla yogurt (2 containers)</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Melon and breadsticks with Taziki</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Carrots and Plain rice cakes with jam</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Cauliflower and whole grain English muffins with cream cheese Green Bin - Julie</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Canned Peaches and Cinnamon Chex</div>
<div>23</div> <div>Apple Slices &amp; Whole grain soft tortillas with cream cheese wrap ups Laundry - Lindsay</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Celmentines &amp; Plain rice cakes with jam Recycling - Emily and John</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Bell Peppers, breadsticks and Taziki</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Broccoli &amp; Vanilla Yogurt Green Bin - Cansu</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Cucumbers and Whole Grain Crackers with Marble Cheese</div>
<div>30</div> <div>Bananas &amp; Malt Bread with Margarine Laundry - Jessica</div>	<div>31</div> <div>Raspberries and whole grain Naan with Hummus</div>			

NOTE: Laundry to be returned the following class your child attends  
 Berries = strawberries OR raspberries OR blueberries OR blackberries  
 Canned fruit = bring 2 larger cans of fruit in water or fruit juice  
 Carrots/Celery = please bring big carrots/ celery (not baby carrots or pre-portioned celery sticks). The teachers will cut it at school.

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