

DECEMBER 2022

LCNS NEWSLETTER

GREETINGS FROM LAKESHORE CO-OPERATIVE NURSERY



HELLO LCNS FAMILIES,

What an exciting month we had in November! There was so much snow to discover and explore. You may also have heard that something has been munching on our pumpkins that were left on the playground. There has been lots of speculation as to what might be eating the pumpkins. Some guesses include squirrels, birds, a skunk, a raccoon or maybe a person. Ask your child who they think ate the pumpkins at school.

In the preschool class, we have

had a lot of interest in using scissors. Children have been snipping paper, straws, craft foam, ribbon, and paint chips. When learning to cut, most children begin by snipping paper or other materials. This means that they cut strips into tiny squares or create a fringe along one edge of the paper. This type of cutting requires lots of practice before children can progress to cutting a straight line across the page or cutting out a shape. Learning to use scissors is a complex task and children must master many skills as part of the process. At home, you can try scissors with your child by giving a paper towel roll a face and

some hair to snip, cutting up old greeting cards, or try snipping straws which are sometimes easier to hold. Please be sure to supervise your child when they are using scissors. We don't want any new haircuts or expensive bills from the library as your child experiments with their new abilities. :)

In the toddler class, we have noticed that many of the children are interested in our fish tank. They love to climb up on the stools to watch the fish swim, count the babies, and point out the mommies and daddies. . Did you know that studies have shown that fish have a calming

effect on minds and bodies for both children and adults?

If you enjoy seeing what is happening at school, be sure to follow us on facebook or instagram. We post a couple of times a month about things that are happening and what the children are learning.

In December, we are looking forward to a special craft project, card making for Seniors in our community, and exploration of the different traditions that families participate in at this time of the year. We would love to hear about how your family celebrates this month. Please share your photos, artifacts, and storybook ideas with us.

As a reminder, school will be closed from December 26th to January 6th. The last day of classes is December 23rd and school will resume on January 9th.

Wishing you peace and joy this holiday season.

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. If you would prefer a paper copy of the flyer each month, please let the teachers know.



HELP WANTED!

- Volunteer to make playdough at school a couple of times per month, ingredients provided

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:

- Box of J-Cloths
- Bird seed or suet (without peanuts)
- XL Zipper Bags (Dollar Store)
- 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

Hi, I'm Emily, this year's treasurer at LCNS.

My husband John and I enrolled our son Jack in the toddler class last winter and he is currently in the preschool class. Jack has a younger sister Josie, and we are hoping she will be able to join LCNS in the toddler class next year.

Jack is always so eager to go to preschool for the outdoor play and new activities. He often talks about building or transporting toys, and of course what he had for snack. We are so thankful for all he has learned since starting at LCNS. His vocabulary, creativity, and independence (to name a few) have blossomed. We are grateful to teachers and friends who are helping with social skills like the oh so difficult sharing and gentle play, but it warms my heart to hear Jack ask about a specific friend and what he thinks they would be eating for dinner, while we sit at the table at our house.

Outside of school some of our family favorites are going to the cottage, swimming, and exploring new parks. We are looking forward to quality time with family and friends over the upcoming holidays and are excited to try new winter activities like skating and skiing in 2023.

Its so nice to 'meet' everyone. Thank you again to our amazing teachers and friends at LCNS, wishing everyone all the best.

CLEANING DUTY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The Purdys Fundraiser raised \$571.36! Pick up will be at the school the week of December 12th.

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 for an invite.

SNACK CALENDAR

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MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Carrots and Ranch Dip and Whole Grain Pita Bread	2 Frozen Mangos and Quakers Chewy Bars - Apple Flavour
5 Applesauce and Breadsticks	6 Bananas and Whole Grain Shreddies	7 Snap Peas and Hummus	8 Bell Peppers & Whole Crackers with Marble Cheese	9 Bell peppers and Whole Grain Bread with Jam
12 Oranges and whole grain tortillas (soft wraps) with Jam	13 Cut up Bananas mixed with Vanilla Yogurt	14 Brocoli and Oatmeal Cookies	15 Carrots and Whole Grain Cherrios	16 Apple slices and Whole Grain Cherrios
19 Parfait- Yogurt with Berries and Oats on Top	20 Grapes and Whole Grain English Muffins with Margarine	21 Cucumbers and Whole Grain Bread with Creamcheese	22 Zuchinni and Melba Toast with Jam	23 Carrots and Hummus and whole grain crackers
26 ★ Two Week	27 Break	28 ★ For The	29 Winter Holiday ★	30 ★ Enjoy!! ★

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