

January 2017 Newsletter

Fee increase is effective January 1, 2017

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THANK YOU!!!!

We would like to thank all the parents who spoiled our staff with such wonderful gifts and yummy treats. We would also like to thank you for all the support and encouragement you provide us in helping your children grow to their full potential. Without you we couldn't do our job and the children make it so exciting and worthwhile.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that helped us set up chairs and activities at the Christmas Celebration. We want to thank everyone for bringing such delicious food to the potluck, it was amazing!

A special thanks to all the children, their practice and dedication made the performance extra special. They practiced for many weeks and sometimes even twice a day. Way to go kids!

We always welcome feedback and suggestions for next years celebration, even ideas for a theme for next years celebration. Please feel free to send us an email or stop by to talk to us.

Directors in Training

Sherri and Amy are getting a bit busier as construction of Windermere Early Learning Center nears completion. Once the building is complete Amy will be at this center getting it ready to open and training staff.

Since September Alyssa and Margorie have been training to become our Directors. Clara will still be our Assistant Director. Over the months of January and February they will be shadowing Amy with all the fun administration and taking over even more of the day to day operation of Brookview.

If you have any questions or concerns that your child's teachers were unable to solve please feel free to contact Alyssa or Margorie. Sherri and I will still be assisting them with any questions and more difficult tasks.

Thank you for your patience throughout this transition.

New Fee Schedule

As mentioned in our December Newsletter, our fees have increased effective January 1, 2017. They are now as follows:

13 months–18 months —————\$1225per month

19 months–3 years —————\$1065 per month

3 years–5 years —————\$975 per month

Children attending Kindergarten —————\$895 per month

Grade 1–6 students ———(School Year)———\$515 per month

Grade 1–6 students ———(July & August)———\$540 per month

Please remember all fees are due on the first of each month. You can pay by Email Transfers or post dated cheques for at least 6 months. Email Transfers can be done from the comfort of your own home through your online banking institution. You send it to our email brookview@brookviewchildcare.com using a password of your own choosing. Please send us a separate email with the password you used so that we know we have it correctly spelled as passwords are very case sensitive.

Monthly childcare fees include a nutritious home-made morning snack, lunch, afternoon snack and programming. They do not include any fieldtrip fees.

Extracurricular Activities

Music with Dawn will continue each Tuesday from January 10th onward for the daycare children.

We will continue to have Art with Amanda on January 14th & 28th for the daycare children.

We will continue to have gym throughout the month. Please check the online calendar or whiteboard for dates.

We go outside until

**-15°C for daycare
children and -20°C for
OSC children**

Outdoor Activities

We would just like to remind everyone that we do go outside every day weather permitting.

(-15°C and warmer for the daycare children, yes even the Toddlers) and -20°C for the Out of School Care children)

Please remember we are unable to accommodate requests for children to stay inside due to coughs and colds. If they are not well enough to participate in all our activities, including going outside then they should remain at home for the day.

We hope the weather will cooperate so we can go sledding on Monkey Mountain and so that the OSC can begin skating at the outdoor rink.

Skating Days

We will begin taking the OSC children skating again this year. We hope to go at least once per week dates will be selected each Monday and posted on the whiteboard. If your child wishes to skate please send skates with guards and a CSA approved skating helmet. Children that are not skating will have the opportunity to play at the playground or on gym days the children not skating will enjoy our regular gym programming. We hope to begin skating January 4–6, we will check the weather on Tuesday, decide which day will work best and post it on the white board.

This year the skating rink is asking that everyone have skate tags, on the permission form there will be space for you to include your community league membership number. This should be sufficient in case you do not have skate tags.

Developmental Observations & Information Updates

Over the last month our staff have been busy completing our Developmental Observations of the children. These observations are done twice per year, usually the end of November and the end of May. These Developmental Observations are created by our staff and administration and are used just to see if children are meeting the developmental milestones and if not that we adjust our planning to assist the children in reaching these milestones. Please do not fret if we have not observed your child doing some of these milestones, we understand that they may be doing them at home and we have just not observed it in our environment.

These Developmental Observations will be sent home along with your child's most recent Emergency Information on file. Please feel free to talk to your child's staff or Alyssa with any concerns regarding your child's Developmental Observations.

Please review the Emergency Information to ensure that all phone numbers, e-mail addresses, home addresses, emergency contact's etc are current and up to date. The Emergency Information sheet will need to be edited, signed and returned by January 15th.

Tax Receipts

2016 is officially over and we have begun to prepare your Tax Receipts. Please be patient as we are teaching Alyssa how to complete these it may take a bit longer than usual. Tax receipts will be emailed out to families in February.

Toddler News

We did a lot of fun things in December. We spent much of our time getting ready for Christmas and making winter themed crafts, including candy canes, snowmen, Christmas trees and reindeer. We are always busy making sure the children are having fun and learning at the same time! Our older toddlers have been practicing counting from 1-10, and recognizing colors and shapes. Our younger toddlers can now grasp, reach for and use various materials (like glue!) during arts and crafts time. We have really been working on our fine motor skills! We love to dance and play to enhance our gross motor and social skills!

Transition & Preschool News

Happy New Year!! We hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and New Year celebrations.

Last month everyone enjoyed performing our Christmas songs! Thank you all for coming to celebrate with us. We had fun learning too! We focused on shapes, penguins & snow throughout the month of December.

On January 13th we will have our Rainbow Dress-up Day! We are looking forward to seeing all of your brightest and most colorful outfits. Don't miss it!

Jr Kinder & Kinder News

What a wonderful December! We had such an amazing time this month, especially at our Christmas Celebration. Thank you to all that came! We really worked hard and had a blast performing for you!

Our month was full of winter and Christmas fun! We played lots of games, decorated ornaments, made crafts, sang and danced, and read many lovely stories. As usual, our favourite thing to do was make beadings. We also had lots of fun "baking" and selling cookies in our cookie shop and with our new foosball table!

January is sure to be great! Hoping for warmer weather so we can get outside to build snowman, sled and burn off some energy.

OSC News

Happy New Year! We hope everyone had fun-tastic holidays. December was truly a month of fun activities. The children worked hard to perfect our Christmas concert songs, and practiced every day! They brought out their artistic side while working on their gifts for their families. We also had a talent show, which was a big hit! The children showed off their various talents, including dancing, gymnastics, piano, and comedy. They were able to prepare for the show in just a few days by working together and collaborating!

We had an awesome time playing in our Christmas Décor Workshop. The children especially liked wrapping presents, making ornaments, pretending to take orders online, making deliveries and providing customer service. In January our dramatic play area will become a bakery. If you have any extra supplies at home that we can borrow for our bakery, it would be greatly appreciated!

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 CLOSED for Stat Holiday	3 Welcome Back!!	4 U Play Fieldtrip	5	6 Adventure Bus Visiting	7
8	9 OSC Gym	10 OSC Gym	11 DC Gym	12 Art With Amanda	13 DC Gym	14
15	16 OSC Gym	17 OSC Gym	18 DC Gym	19 OSC Gym	20 DC Gym	21
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