



Campus News

Campus Pre-School Association Newsletter

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Chairperson's Message

I'd like to begin this newsletter by welcoming some new members to the Campus Pre-School Board of Directors: Jennifer Morash-King (Jr. Registrar) and Shawna Schebesch (Chair of Committees). Past members continuing for another year are Claudia Cull (Sr. Registrar), and Lisa Schaffer and Diane Graca (Fundraising Co-Chairs).

A huge thank you to our outgoing members, Liz Hale-Boyes and Meg Van Ham, for all that you have done over the past few years to help make Campus Pre-School the great place that it is. You will be missed! A special thank you to Maureen McNamee who has worked with such insight and care as Chair for the past year, she will continue to serve as Past Chair. Maureen's contribution has been invaluable and will benefit the preschool for years to come.

As the new Chair, I am looking forward to working with the board, teachers and parents to make sure Campus Pre-School continues to be an enjoyable and worthwhile experience for our children. We are looking forward to a fantastic year!

Registration for the 2010/2011 school year was very successful. We held two registration nights in March, at which some classes filled up. There are still some classes with spaces remaining, however, so if you know of a family/ friend interested in attending the school next year, please direct them to one of our registrars.

We'd also like to extend a great big thank you to the Family Social Committee, as well as to those who contributed to the success of the Swinging Safari party. The hall looked wonderful and the kids had a great time. Our thanks again to Mamaya for the West African drumming demonstration it was a unique experience for our families.

Now that Spring is here, we can expect to see more of those sun hats! The arrival of warmer weather brings on the fun of outdoor activities. Please watch your child's backpack over the next few months for information on upcoming events, including our annual Butterfield Acres trip.

Our next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 7 at 7 p.m. at the pre-school. Please feel free to join us! Board positions that will come up for nomination at that time include Vice-Chair, Communications Coordinator and Secretary.

**Carolyn Blasetti,
Chairperson**

Junior Report

by Mary Aubie

Junior schedule of events

Upcoming **themes** for the junior classes are as follows:

- Apr. 6-9 **What's in an Egg?** — A look at all the creatures that begin as eggs.
- Apr. 12-23 **Things that Grow/Signs of Spring** — Time to look at all the growth occurring around us and the return of the green season.
- Apr. 26-Apr. 28 **Bugs are Back** — What about all those creepy crawlies that are showing up again!
- Apr. 29-30 **P.D. Days** – We will be attending the conference of the Canadian Association for Young Children.
- May 3-May 7 **Hooray for Mothers!**- What would we do without them?
- May 10 & 20 **Transportation** – We will look at all the ways to travel.
- May 17 & 18 **University Research Park bus trip** – details below.
- May 21 & 25 **PD Days** No school. These are lieu days for the first Aid and CPR renewal we did in February
- May 24 **Victoria Day** — No school.
- May 26- June 4 **Fun on the Farm** — A look at the farm and all our favorite animals.
- June 2 & 3 **Butterfield Acres Trips** (details below).



Special Events and Dates to Remember

Professional Days

April 29 & 30, & May 21 & 25. **NO SCHOOL.**

The Wheels on the Bus

On May 17 and 18 we will ride a city bus to the University Research Park for a snack and a visit to the duck pond in conjunction with our transportation unit. Watch for details and tour permission forms in backpacks. A few extra helpers will be needed to accompany us.

Victoria Day

May 24 – No school.

Butterfield Acres

June 2 & 3 are the dates for our annual trip to Butterfield Acres. We hire school buses for this outing and volunteers are needed. More details and tour permission forms to follow.

SPRING DRESSING


Please remember to label those spring jackets and sweaters. As the weather improves we will be going for picnics, neighbourhood walks and generally spending more time outdoors. It is a good idea to send along a sun hat and put sunscreen on your child before school. Thanks again to all of you who helped with dressing during that trying time of snowsuits and boots!

— Mary

Senior Report

by Heidi Dick & Sandra Jensen

Senior schedule of events

April 6 - 9 12 - 16	Space the Final Frontier We will explore planets, stars and more	
April 19 - 23 26-28 May 3 - 7	Ducklings/ Growing Things Watch for an incubator in the classroom. We will be hatching spring babies. We will get "ready to hatch" duck eggs on Sunday April 18. The ducklings will be available for "overnight stays". If you are interested in having them and have a <u>place safe from other pets</u> , please let Sandra or Heidi know and we will organize a schedule.	
Apr 29 & 30	P.D.days. We will be attending the conference of the Canadian Association for Young Children.	
May 10-14 17- 20	Transportation and Community Helpers We will take a ride to Riley Park on a City bus May 19 and 20. (TWTh will go on the 20 th). We will need volunteers to accompany us. Watch for a notice and permission form in your child's backpack.	
May 21&25	PD days No school. These are lieu days for the first Aid and CPR renewal we did in February.	
May 24	Victoria Day - no school	
May 26 -28 May 31-June 4	Farm Friends We will be going on a field trip to Butterfield Acres on June 2 nd and June 3 rd . All classes will go in the morning. The TWTh class will go on Wednesday June 2 nd . There will be no afternoon class on that day. We will be going in school buses and we will need volunteer parents. If you accompany us, younger siblings are welcome. More information and permission forms will follow.	

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May 21 & 25	P. D. days - no school
May 24	Victoria Day - no school
June 2&3	Butterfield Acres field trip

SPRING OUTDOORS

Thank you to everyone for your help with snowsuits and playground supervision. As the weather improves, we will be doing more outside activities, picnics, or walks in the neighborhood. Please make sure your child has sun screen

on (this works better than sending it in the backpack) and a hat in his or her backpack.
— Heidi & Sandra

Notes and Dates

Campus Pre-School Calendar

Mark the following important dates in your calendar:

Apr 29/30 PD day for teachers – no school

May 21/25 PD day for teachers – no school

May 24 Victoria Day – no school

June 2/3 Field trip to Butterfield Acres

June 21 Year-end Picnic – all classes attend; last day of school

Registrars' Report

by **Jennifer King & Claudia Cull**

The deadline for registration for the current school year is April 1, so we are no longer accepting any new students for this year.

Fall Registration 2010-2011

Registration this year was quite a success. Many thanks to all the board members and volunteers whose assistance made the registration process go so smoothly.

We still have a few spots left in some of the classes, so be sure to let people know about Campus Pre-School. Current registration for 2010-2011 is as follows:

Junior (max 16)	Senior (max 18)
T/Th am – 16	T/Th am – 14
M/W/F am – 16	M/W/F am – 18
T/Th pm – 10	T/W/Th pm – 17

Thanks also to everyone who helped spread the word about Campus Pre-School by delivering flyers and by word of mouth.

Registrar Updates

We welcome back Claudia Cull (289-9128), who continues as our Senior Registrar, and welcome Jennifer King (284-0724) as our new Junior Registrar

Report from Fundraising

by **Lisa Schaffer and Diane Graca, Co-Chairs**

Once again in partnership with Plantation Garden Centre, we will be holding our "Spring Rosebush Fundraiser." Please watch for details in your child's backpack and on the fundraising bulletin boards in April/May.

We also have one more sponsor to thank for an additional silent auction item sold at the Family Social. Many thanks from Campus Pre-School to the Delta Kananaskis for your generous donation.

Ongoing Fundraisers

Lovable Labels & Magazines Orders will continue to be available to order all year around. So continue to tell your friends and family to use our websites to order through so Campus reaps the benefits.

www.magfundraising.ca/CampusPreSchool

www.campuspreschool.lovablelabels.ca

2010 Parent Survey

At Campus Pre-School our teachers and board members do their best to provide a high quality pre-school experience for your children. We seek and value your opinion and input. This year in the **2010 Parent Survey** we have included four short fundraising questions along with the usual four general satisfaction questions. A paper version of the **2010 Parent Survey** will be sent home in your child's backpack in early April. We are also offering an online version of the **2010 Parent Survey** for those who would prefer this mode.

Please use which ever survey method you are comfortable with (paper or online) and be assured the online survey does not retain your IP address and all answers will remain completely anonymous. Note: If you wish a teacher or Board member to respond to you personally, please use the paper format and sign your survey.

You may complete the **2010 Parent Survey** online any time between April 1st and April 23rd by following this link

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PSQ3VTY>

Pssst! Pass on the word about Campus Pre-School!

There is still space available in some classes for 2010/2011. Send an e-mail to friends (be sure to give them the Campus website address at www.campuspreschool.com), tell members of your playgroup, and spread the word at swimming and soccer. We really appreciate your help!

Swinging Safari



This year's Family Social, **Swinging Safari**, was a great success! It is such a pleasure to be a part of an event that celebrates the families of Campus Preschool. Thank you to all the families that came out and enjoyed an afternoon on the savannah, making crafts, searching for animals and grooving to **Mamaya**, the amazing West African Drumming group of school parent Andi Shaffer. Thank you also to the families who provided the delicious safari food and juice that made this party complete.

This fantastic event would not have been possible without the enthusiastic, creative and hardworking Family Social Committee. I would like to acknowledge and thank Tabia MacDonald, Ming Hon, Shanta Harmon, Bonnie Pettit, Cecile Buffy, Karen Strutynski and Andrea Shaw. They created a fun-filled afternoon for party-goers young and old. Also, a huge thank you goes to the families of the committee members who were there and lending helping hands.

This year, thanks to the Silent Auction Committee, we had door prizes. Congratulations to the winners of the movie tickets that were generously donated by *Sunridge Spectrum* and to the winner of the 1 year subscription to **Today's Parent** magazine that was generously donated by *Roger's Media*. I would also like to thank *J&J Publishing* for their in-kind donation of printing the cards and sheets used in the Animal Treasure Hunt.

Lastly, I want to thank Mary, Heidi and Sandra for their continuing support and contributions, the Board for their guidance and support, and the people from the Extracurricular Committee who lent us valuable hands before and after the event.

This was my last year as Chair of the Family Social Committee and I would like to say again that it has been an absolute honour and pleasure to work with other parents to create such fun-filled events that celebrate the families of Campus Preschool. I believe that it is the families that make Campus the wonderful school that it is. Thank you and enjoy the party next year!

Jennifer Pannett
Chair of Family Social Committee

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Campus Preschool E-Newsletters

In an effort to save paper, Campus Preschool newsletter is now emailed to all parents and available online at <http://www.campuspreschool.com>. The newsletter is published 5 times per year October, December, February, April and June.

If you prefer, a printed copy of the school newsletter can be sent home. Please fill out the form below and send it back to the school. Please remember to contact us if your e-mail address changes during the year.

I wish to have a copy of the newsletter sent home with my child:

Student Name: _____ **Teacher:** _____