



PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March

REMINDERS

Footwear

As spring returns (hopefully soon!) please remember to remove wet and muddy footwear at the front door and place them on the shoe racks to help keep our floors clean.

General questions? Talk to your class representative:

- Hayley (3-year class) at 780-988-6393 or hdfairbanks@gmail.com
- Meagan (4-year class) at 780-977-4442 or meaganjordan@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

Spring break - March 26-April 2. No classes on Monday, March 26 through Monday, April 2. Classes resume on Tuesday, April 3.

John Janzen Nature Centre - classroom presentations on Monday, April 23 (4-year class) and Tuesday, April 24 (3-year class).

Edmonton Valley Zoo - classroom presentations on Monday, May 14 (4-year class) and Tuesday, May 15 (3-year class). Parents and siblings are invited to attend.

Mother's Day Tea - Mother's Day celebrations will take place on Thursday, May 10 (3-year class) and Friday, May 11 (4-year class) starting at 10:30 a.m.

No classes on Friday, May 18 (4-year class, teacher professional development day).

No classes on Monday, May 21 (4-year class, Victoria Day holiday).

PRESCHOOL GARAGE SALE

Our annual community garage sale will be held on May 4 and 5.

Donations

Get a head start on your spring cleaning and support our preschool! The annual garage sale is our preschool's main fundraiser and we rely on item donations from community league members and preschool families for the sale. Please start saving your gently used items to donate, including:

- household items
- baby items
- toys and games
- sports equipment
- clothing
- books, DVDs

You can drop off your donations at the preschool on Friday, May 4 from 1-4 p.m. To schedule an alternate drop-off time please call 780-438-6623.

More info: Jen, President at 587-920-9964 or ermeskinpreschool@gmail.com

DUTY DAYS

Remember to check the duty day calendars online or on the bulletin board outside the classroom for your scheduled duty days.

Each class has a duty coordinator in case you have questions or concerns:

- Rachel (3-year class) at 780-984-8806 or rachelmelnichuk@gmail.com
- Anita (4-year class) at 780-604-5191 or klinger.anita@gmail.com

Duty day coverage

If you need someone to cover a duty day, you can send a grandparent, babysitter or any responsible adult in your place.

We also have parents for some classes who have volunteered as last-minute replacements. Ask your duty coordinator for details.

Miss Nicole is sometimes available to cover duty days also (for a fee of \$40). Contact her at nic1pol1@gmail.com.

HOUSEKEEPING AND VOLUNTEERING

Toy cleaning schedule

Mar 22 (7 p.m.) - Haverstock, Burr

Apr 25 (7 p.m.) - Blanchard, Chen

More info: Candice at 780-915-4029 or

candice.edwards@me.com

Housekeeping schedule

Mar 12 (7 p.m.) - Bailey, Paradis, Delorey, Bachu

Apr 10 (7 p.m.) - Hopchin, Mikulin, Blake

More info: Heidi at 780-868-7526 or

boa.0518@hotmail.com

Volunteer commitments

Each family completes a volunteer commitment during the school year. More info: Katie at 587-785-5607 or

katielgibb@gmail.com

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Healthy habits

Healthy hygiene habits help to stop the spread of cold and flu. At preschool we practice good hand hygiene—students always wash their hands before snack and after washroom breaks. Please continue this practice at home for yourself and your children, washing with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.

Immunizations

To protect our students, staff and parent volunteers, Alberta Health Services recommends that your child's vaccinations are up-to-date. Most adults are also eligible for a dTap booster which helps protect our children. Contact your local public health centre for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community swim

Members of the Ermineskin Community League can enjoy free community swim time at Confederation Pool on Saturdays from 4-5:30 p.m. Remember to take along your current membership card for admission.

RECYCLING

Bring in your recyclable containers in blue bags and set them beside the blue bin outside the classroom. This ongoing fundraiser for the preschool is a great way to teach our kids about recycling.

More info: Jill at 780-920- 9655 or

jill.hastings@hotmail.com

REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is now open to the public and there are still spots available in our 3-year program.

Registration forms are available on our [website](#). Please share this information with neighbours and friends who may be interested in joining our program.

EXECUTIVE TEAM

You are welcome to attend our Executive meetings. Monthly dates are online:

www.erminekincommunity.ca/preschool.

More info: Jen, President at 587-920-9964 or

erminekinpreschool@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER INFO

If you have news to include in an upcoming newsletter, the submission deadline is the 3rd Friday of each month. More info: Andrea at 780-819-9974 or volk.andrea@gmail.com

WE'RE ON FACEBOOK!

Find us at [facebook.com/groups/ecplayschool](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ecplayschool) (or search Ermineskin Community Preschool).

