

# NOTTINGHILL NEWS



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 7<sup>th</sup>** • Board Meeting
- December 17<sup>th</sup>** • Last day of classes
- January 3<sup>rd</sup>** • First day of classes after break
- January 19<sup>th</sup>** • Annual General Meeting

## Message from the Teachers

Hello Parents, Happy December!

So hard to believe that November is over and December is already here!!

The children had lots of fun learning about under the sea adventures, Healthy Me and shapes and colours. We discussed proper hand washing techniques, brushing our teeth and giving our friends the space they need. We showed the children how we can spread germs to our friends with our sparkle experiment. I wish we could have captured their expressions when they see how the sparkle germs spread from our hand to our friends so easily.

As we move in to December we will introduce children to themes surrounding Christmas and other holidays. We will discuss the varying traditions families have, creating holiday decorations and singing fun holiday songs. We will be working on a very special project to send home for the holidays. This is such a magical time of year for children and we are very much looking forward to enjoying a little magic right along with the children!!

Please ensure your child is equipped with the proper outdoor gear for the weather this time of year. It is difficult to have fun when you are cold, we want all the children to enjoy our wonderful Canadian winter! Please label all belongings as the children cannot always identify their own things. The children's self-help skills are really starting to improve! Please continue to work on them as we getting in to snowsuit season. If they can help themselves they are not left waiting for the teachers to dress them. Plus the sense of accomplishment is huge at their age!!

Thank you for keeping your children home when they are ill. Our goal is to keep all of the children and teachers as healthy as possible over the next few months. Please remember you must follow our Nottingham sick policy (in your parent handbook) as well as all of the Covid-19 protocols. If you have any questions about any of the illness policies, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Don't forget to get your Scholastic order in so you can get all of your beautiful books by Christmas. Don't forget what Dr. Seuss said...

The more that you  
**READ**, the more things  
you will **KNOW**.  
The more that you  
**LEARN**, the more places  
you'll **GO!!**

We wish all of our wonderful families a very happy holiday! Stay safe and enjoy your family time.

Your Nottingham Teachers

### Committee Spotlight!



This month's Committee Spotlight shines a light on our **Fundraising Committee!** Our Fundraising Committee has been hard at work developing innovative ideas to support our school financially. We want to thank them for the wonderful job in organizing the Terra Fundraising and we are looking forward to future fundraising events, including our Annual Auction. A special thank you to Barb Reidy & Zlatelina Ramsden, Committee Co-Chair and to Sarah Antunes, Alexandra & Colin, Adriana Marin, Vanessa Caetano, Brenda Avila, Gayle Goldstein, Kanica Arora, Wajiha Knizer, Evodia Cheung, Pingting Zhou, Mary Teresa Longan, Priyanka Kolhe, Melissa Hull and Melissa & Chris.

The fundraising committee would like to extend a big thank you to all the Nottingham families and alumni who participated in the Terra fundraiser this year. If you haven't already, please be sure to pick up your order.

It's now the time of year where we are starting to collect donations for our annual online auction that will be taking place in early 2022. Please consider supporting our school by donating gift certificates, merchandise, or services. If you would like to make a donation or have any questions, please email [ncpspecialevents@gmail.com](mailto:ncpspecialevents@gmail.com).

### COVID-19 Prescreening Tool

As a reminder, please complete our online prescreen every day before dropping off your child.

If your family is travelling internationally over the holidays, we want to remind you of the federal directives for international travel. While unvaccinated children under the age of 12 who travelled internationally with a fully vaccinated companion are exempt from federal quarantine, they are not permitted to attend child care programs for 14 days following their return.

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## Presidents Message



Welcome December! We hope everyone is doing well as you prepare for the holiday season. Thank you to everyone who participated in our Terra Fundraiser this year. We really appreciate your support and hope that you enjoy your poinsettias and wreaths!

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held virtually on Wednesday January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. We encourage all families to attend this meeting to learn more about the administration of the school. Families who attend will also be given the first opportunity to register for the 2022/2023 school year. Classes do fill up quickly, and once a class is full, waiting lists will be started. Our registration opens to Alumni at the end of January and to the general public in early February. We want to make sure our returning families have the first opportunity to register their children, so please be sure to be at the meeting!

At the AGM, we will also be electing the 2022/2023 Board of Directors. If you're interested in running for a position, or want to

chat about any of the roles, please reach out to me at [nottinghampresident@gmail.com](mailto:nottinghampresident@gmail.com).

This month, you will be receiving a link to the Nottingham Annual Survey. We would really appreciate it if you could take a couple of minutes to fill it out. The insight generated from the survey assists us with planning for the upcoming school year. An analysis of the survey results will be presented at the AGM in January.

With the holiday season approaching, it is anticipated that some families may be making international travel plans for the break. To assist you with your planning, I wanted to take a moment to remind you that children under 12 are not permitted to attend child care programs for 14 days following their return, as per the federal directives related to international travel.

I wish everyone a safe and very happy holiday season and all the best for the New Year!

-Sarah



## Save the Date!

Nottingham's Annual General Meeting will take place virtually on Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. This will be your first opportunity to register for the 2022/2023 school year! Stay tuned for additional details!



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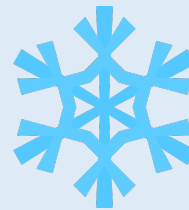
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## Holiday Celebrations

On our Year-at-a-Glance you will see the dates for our Holiday Celebrations. Unfortunately due to the ongoing Ministry regulations around Covid-19 we will once again be doing a virtual celebration. We will send our very special video project to our families on the last day of classes.

On the last day of class before our break (16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>) we will be having a PJ party! Come dressed in your holiday jammies and we will have games, a movie and a special snack to celebrate our amazing children!

-Your Nottingham Teachers



## 2022-2023 Nottingham Board of Directors

Are you returning to Nottingham next year and interested in being on the Board of Directors? The Board for the 2022/2023 school year will be announced at the AGM in January. If you're interested in a position on the Board for next year or want to learn more about the positions available, please reach out to Sarah at [nottinghampresident@gmail.com](mailto:nottinghampresident@gmail.com).

### Mabel's Labels



Our Mabel's Labels fundraiser is a great way to help our school earn money and make sure your child's belongings come back home! Having items clearly labeled will help us avoid mix-ups! Visit the following website and search Nottingham Co-op Preschool (Oakville) to purchase labels:

[http://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](http://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/)