

NOTTINGHILL NEWS



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2nd • Holiday Social

December 5th • Board meeting

December 21st • 3AM, 3PM, JK/SK Holiday Celebration

December 22nd • 2AM Holiday celebration

December 22nd • Last day of classes before Christmas Break

Message from the Teachers

Hello families!

How have we already made it to December? November flew by, with some very cold winds! We discussed all of our favourite under the sea animals, learned quite a few fun facts about them, and of course made some very colourful and glittery crafts! The children loved all of the real-life pictures and videos that allowed them to add a visual to the cool creatures we were discussing!

We also covered our Healthy Me theme, starting with our glitter germ experiment which all the children both loved and thought was very gross! By adding glitter to hand lotion, we were able to show how our coughs, sneezes, and germs can transfer to toys, and even friends' hands! This was great timing as the children are starting to learn the proper way to cover their coughs and wash their hands!

The children learned how to help keep our teeth healthy with brushing, and happy teeth foods, and why it's important to keep the Sugar Bugs off our teeth for bedtime! We discussed which foods help make us big and strong, and which are delicious treats that we can have sometimes (but probably shouldn't have for breakfast!).

Our first Family Book Day was a wonderful time to get to know all of the families! The children were so excited to have their special people in to share some special book time with them, and show them their classroom and friends! We are looking forward to our next one at the end of January!

December is going to be a wonderful month of celebrations, crafts, and lots of singing! Please note that our Holiday Concerts will be on Dec 21 for 3am, 3pm and JK / SK, and Dec 22 for 2am. Details will be sent out later in the month by your child's teacher, but the concerts typically take place during the last 45 mins of class. We are looking forward to discussing your child's favourite holiday traditions,

creating some beautiful decorations, and of course a special gift they will take home the last week of classes!

As we move into the colder weather, we ask that you please ensure your child is dressed appropriately. We will go outside until the temperatures reach -10 with the windchill (-12 for the JK / SK), and it is much easier for the children to enjoy their time outside when they are nice and warm! This includes lined splash pants or snow pants, hats, mittens, and appropriate boots (all labeled please!).

Along with the cooler weather comes the seasonal colds! We ask that you review our illness policy and the Covid screening link that was sent out should you have any questions. We are looking forward to a healthy and happy December with the children!

From,

Your Nottingham Teachers



Save the Date!

Nottingham's Annual General Meeting will take place on **Wednesday, January 18th at 7:30pm**. This will be your first opportunity to register for the 2023/2024 school year! Stay tuned for additional details!



2023-2024 Nottingham Board of Directors

Are you returning to Nottingham next year and interested in being on the Board of Directors? The Board for the 2023/2024 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 Allie at: nottinghampresident@gmail.com

Mabel's Labels



As a reminder all of your child's belongings (bags, shoes/boots, hats, gloves, etc) should be labelled. If you need to purchase labels, please consider ordering from Mabel's Labels. They can be purchased online by going to: https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/

Type "Nottingham!" into the search bar and select "Nottingham Co-op Preschool (Oakville)" from the drop down menu. In doing so, you will purchase some great quality labels to help keep track of your child's belongings and at the same time, help to support our wonderful school!

Presidents Message



December is going to be a busy month at Nottingham as we prepare for our second social of the year and our in-person classroom holiday celebrations. The children will be hard at work practicing their songs and working on some fun themed crafts to bring home this month. For those who purchased from the Terra fundraiser, we hope you enjoy your festive arrangements and would like to thank you for continuing to support our school!

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Wednesday January 18th at 7:30pm and we encourage all families to attend this meeting. Families who attend will be given the first opportunity to register for the 2023/2024 school year and will receive \$25 off their registration fee. Classes do fill up quickly, and once a class is full, waiting lists will be started. Our registration will then open to Alumni at the end of January and to the general public in early February. We want to make sure our returning families are able to register

their children, so please be sure to attend the meeting if you're interested in a spot for next year. At the AGM, we will also be announcing the 2032/2024 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.

This month you will also be receiving a link to the Nottingham Annual Survey; we would really appreciate 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 and an analysis of the survey results will be presented at the AGM in January.

I want to wish everyone a safe and healthy holiday season and very happy New Year!

-Allie



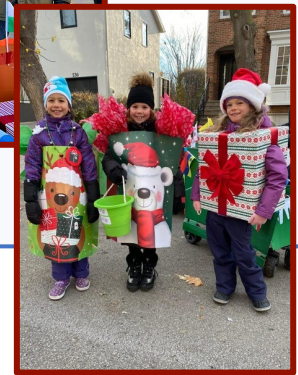
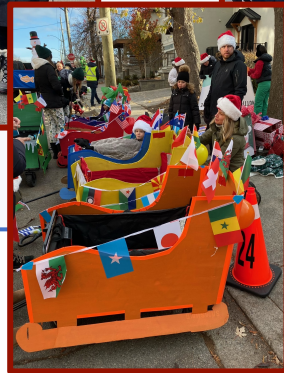
2023 Online Auction

We are starting to gather donations for our popular online auction. If you have any items, gift cards, or services you would like to donate, please reach out to ncpspecialevents@gmail.com.



2022 Oakville Santa Claus Parade

The Nottingham Board of Directors, teachers, and family members participated in the 2022 Oakville Santa Claus Parade to promote our amazing program in the community. The theme this year was “Christmas Around the World” to recognize holiday traditions from all cultures and countries. It was so much fun to see some of our families as we made our way through the parade route! A huge thank you to Deirdre Cahill and Adriana Marin for organizing this project and to our teachers for marching along with us on a chilly Saturday morning. Our vibrant wagon/sleighs and gift-wrapped kiddos received many compliments from the crowd, and it was a fun day despite the cold! If you would like to see more from this event, you can follow us on Instagram @nottingham.preschool.



In Class Opportunity!

We are so excited to offer the chance for parents to join us in hosting a teaching circle celebrating their favourite holidays and cultural celebrations! We welcome the opportunity for the grownups to join us and help us learn all about the important holidays their families celebrate! This can include Channukah, Diwali, Kwanza, Lunar New Year, etc. Parents are welcome to bring in anything relevant to their favourite celebrations!

Should you wish to participate please email Miss Jessica (j.withell@hotmail.com) to organize a time to join your child's class (typically during the first, or last, 20 mins of class).