



January 2019

## Message from the President

Hello Nottingham Families -

Happy New Year! We hope that all of our families enjoyed a fun and restful holiday season and we wish everyone all the best for 2019.

Hard as it is to believe, with the New Year comes the beginning of our registration process for the 2019/2020 school year! Our Annual General Meeting will be

held on be January 16, 2019 and registration for returning families will open immediately afterwards. There will be a \$25 discount on the registration fee for all families who register at the AGM so be sure to attend to receive your discount and secure your spot for next year!

We rely on our Nottingham families to spread the word about our wonderful school and keep our enrolment list growing! As in prior years, we will be offering 2 and 2.5-year-old classes on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 3-year-old classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 3-year-old and JK/SK classes on all 5 afternoons. We will also be continuing with our very popular lunch program from 11:30-12:30 for children in the 3-year-old and JK/SK classes. Please spread the word in the community!

Lastly, we are seeking nominations for next year's Board of Directors! All positions are open and, with several of our current Board members moving on next year, we need your help to fill these roles! For more details on the Board roles and time commitment please speak with any of our current Board members or contact [nottinghampresident@gmail.com](mailto:nottinghampresident@gmail.com). The incoming Board for 2019/2020 will be introduced at the AGM later this month. Best wishes for the New Year!

-Elaine



## Message from the Teachers

Hello Parents,

Happy New Year!

We hope you had a wonderful holiday with family and friends! We cannot wait to hear from our kiddos what they did over the break. So great to have everyone back!!

December was a crazy, hectic month at Nottingham. We were so very proud of all the children who sang at our holiday concerts (and the ones who didn't!). They were such troopers with all the practicing we did and they didn't complain or seem to mind at all! It was lovely to see lots of siblings and extended families come out to celebrate with us.

January is a very busy month. We begin our 10-week Sportball sessions our first week back. Each class gets a half hour session per week for the 10 weeks. 2/2.5am classes are Tuesday mornings, 3am are Wednesday mornings and 3pm and JK/SK classes will be Friday afternoons. It is imperative that the children have proper running shoes in order to participate in Sportball. We go to the gym and the children will be running around and it can be slippery.

Music with Miss Ann will be back at the end of January. Each class will participate in 2 sessions of music, all about animals!!

Please keep an eye out for theme days! We will be planning theme days throughout January. They are not on the calendar so please check your Remind for dates!!

Our Dinosaur theme is always the most popular! We will turn your children into very well-informed mini Paleontologists!! We will be talking about zoo animals and pets as well. A great way to start off our 2019 learning!!

## Upcoming Events

### Monday, January 7

First day back to school

### Tuesday, January 8

Board Meeting

### Wednesday, January 16

Annual General Meeting & Registration for 2019/2020

**\*Please note that Sportball starts this month. Children require proper running shoes or they cannot participate.\***

As you know our AGM is in January. As you decide which classes you will be signing up for, please know that the teachers are more than happy to meet/chat with you about the various classes we offer. We have 2 options for 3-year-olds, our 3am and 3pm classes. Our JK class is an excellent alternative to full day, every day Kindergarten. We are happy to chat about the programs you may be considering.

Please check all bathroom supplies and change of clothing to ensure that everything is topped up and the clothing fits and is seasonably appropriate. Please label ALL belongings.

As always, please come see us with any questions, comments or concerns!!

Your Nottingham Teachers



## Committee Spotlight

With the help of the in-class parties committee, our students have the opportunity to learn about many holidays and celebrations

throughout the year. This committee is responsible for planning and providing snacks and refreshments, as well as

cleaning up after each party for Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day, Easter, Mother's Day, and Graduation.

Currently chaired by Amy MacRae. Members include Meena Shaikh, Aileen Haan, Julianna Curran, Paola Romero Garale,

and Andrea Fallow. Thank you for your hard work so far and we look forward the remaining celebrations in 2019!



## Teaching Staff & Scheduling Update

As we prepare to start back to school this January, I thought this would be a good opportunity to provide everyone with an overview of our teaching staff and our teaching schedule as we realize there were a lot of changes this past fall.

This year we have more teaching positions and therefore more staff at Nottingham due to the introduction of the lunch program and the new float teacher role in our morning classes.

Also, with Miss Clara's departure in October we needed to frequently utilize our supply teachers (Miss Jennifer, Miss Nicki and Miss Natalie) to fill the staffing vacancy. All of the teachers did an amazing job helping to fill-in while we completed the hiring process.

We were very excited to have Miss Stacey join us as a full-time staff member in November. Since being hired Miss Stacey has filled the assistant teacher role in our 2AM class and she rotates with Miss Amy as assistant teacher in the 3AM classes. Miss Stacey also rotates with Miss Ann as assistant teacher in the afternoon in the 3PM class lead by Miss Kim and the JK/SK class lead by Miss Amy.

Miss Jessica took over as lead in Miss Clara's morning classes, and has also done a tremendous job leading our new lunch program. The lunch program is supported by Miss Anum and Miss Samantha, who also fill the newly created role of float teacher during our morning programs.

As Nottingham continues to evolve and grow so might our teaching staff. We will continue to keep you informed of any changes and as always, we are available to answer any questions.

Thanks,  
Stephanie Laivenieks, VP Human Resources

