

# NOTTINGHILL NEWS



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 4<sup>th</sup> • Board Meeting
- Oct 10<sup>th</sup> • Thanksgiving
- Oct 11<sup>th</sup> • Fall Social Event
- Oct 17<sup>th</sup> • Photo Orders Due
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup> • ECE Appreciate Day
- Oct 27<sup>th</sup> • In-Class Halloween Party – 2AM
- Oct 28<sup>th</sup> • Professional Learning Symposium - Staff (no school)
- Oct 31<sup>st</sup> • In-Class Halloween Party – 3AM/PM, JK/SK

## Message from the Teachers

What a wonderful start to our new school year! Each of our classes have already done an amazing job settling into our school routines, and it has been wonderful getting to know all our new friends!

Our themes for September were Off to School, and All About Me, ending with Apples! We had apples for examining, crafting, and tasting! This is always a fun day for the children and teachers as we chart to decide which were our favourites, sweet or sour!

Our younger friends have just begun to learn about playing together, and how to share all these fun new toys. This is a normal learning curve and can take some time! But we are already impressed by the kindness we have seen in the classroom!

The JK / SK class has already accomplished a lot of fun work as they start their new year! They worked on some adorable I am Special booklets and played a great game of Body Parts Bingo!

October's themes will be Thanksgiving, Fall and Halloween! We will be adding lots of amazing outdoor materials to our science table for the children to explore, however we ask that you do not send anything from home or that they may have collected on their walks, unless asked to do so by your child's teachers.

We will be organizing some fun days of Halloween parties for the children, and your child's teacher will be in touch regarding more details closer to the date! We ask that no food treats are sent in, along with any costume weapons, and to try and leave any loose costume parts at home as they tend to get lost!

As we are head in to cold and flu season, we kindly ask that if your child is at all ill, please keep them home. If they have any of the symptoms on the Covid-19 screening, then you must follow the protocol listed on the screening form. If you are unsure which category your child may fall in to, please reach out to your child's teacher for clarification.

Questions to ask: Have they thrown up in the last 48 hours? Have they had diarrhea in the last 48 hours? Do they have a fever? Do they have a rash? Are they coughing? Are my child's eyes red or goopy? (This could be pink eye). If you have answered yes to any of these questions, please keep them home. It is also Nottingham policy that if your child is congested, their nose must be running clear for them to attend school. We will be calling parents to come pick up any child who comes to school ill. This keeps the teachers and other children healthy and our school open. We appreciate the parents that have kept their children home already due to illness!!

Just a reminder to check out our Scholastic Flyer at any time during the year when you're at-home library needs a refresh! Books are now shipped

directly to your home, and there is a wide selection available online on top of the books you can find in the flyer you received!

**LABELS PLEASE!** Thank you to everyone who has done such a great job labeling all of their child's things! As the seasons change and new clothing / shoes are sent to school it is sometimes hard for teachers and children to identify what belongs to who, so please continue to label their things whenever possible!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher! All of the email addresses are Pinned to the top of the school Facebook page!

-Your Nottingham Teachers

## HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS!

Our Halloween Celebrations will be taking place on Thursday October 27<sup>th</sup> (2AM) and Monday October 31<sup>st</sup> (3AM, 3PM, and JK/SK). Children are welcome to come dressed in their costumes or orange and black if they wish!

Due to various allergies amongst our students, we are asking families to please refrain from sending Halloween treats into the school. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!



## 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/](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!

## PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SYMPOSIUM

### Cultivating Belonging in Early Years and Child Care

To support the professional development and continued growth of our early learning and child care educators, **Nottingham will be closed for the day on Friday, October 28, 2022. You will be refunded fees, and will need to find alternative childcare arrangements for the day.**

## Presidents Message



It officially feels like autumn has arrived; there is a slight chill in the air and the children will be exploring lots of fun fall themes this month. During the month of September, Nottingham had a surprise visit from the Ministry of Education, and we passed our inspection with flying colours. We also worked with the church to have cameras installed on the property and applied for a Workplace Capacity and Innovation Grant from the government to support the retention of staff, enhance workforce opportunities, enhance access to professional development/training, grow the number of qualified staff, and attract and support the development of a diverse workforce.

Nottingham is very proud to announce that we won the diamond award in the Oakville Beaver Readers' Choice Awards for 2022! Thank you so much to everyone who voted and spread the word to friends and family. We do still have spots available in our 2 AM, 3 AM, 3 PM and JK/SK program and are always looking to add to our supply staff so if you know

anyone who might be interested, please have them reach out to our registrar: [registrar@nottinghampreschool.com](mailto:registrar@nottinghampreschool.com).

October is going to be an exciting month at our school. The kids will have their first in-class party of the year and get to show off their costumes to classmates and teachers and the school will be holding its first social event in over 2 years! The fall social will take place on October 11<sup>th</sup> in both the morning and afternoon at Andrew's Scenic Acres. This is a great opportunity to get to know other families at the school and siblings are of course welcome to join. Our VP of Special Events is also working on setting up the extracurricular programming for the children, booking additional family social events and class field trips in the spring. Lots of fun things to come this year!

-Allie



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