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Nottinghill XXX Co-op Preschool est. 1961

NOTTINGHILL NEWS



Message from the Teachers



Hello Nottinghill parents!

Welcome to our 2020/2021 school year!

We are very excited to be back and we look forward to seeing our returning families and meeting our new ones!

This year our teaching staff includes Miss Kim (3 AM, office), Miss Amy (JK/SK, online and in-class), Miss Jessica (3 PM), Miss Ann (3 AM) and Miss Stacey (3 AM). Please help us welcome Miss Dana to our teaching staff this year. Miss Dana will be teaching the in-class JK/SK along side of Miss Amy.

We will be doing a staggered start again this year with our 3 year old classes. If you are not sure of your one hour time slot, please reach out to your child's teacher ASAP. Since we are not able to have the parents come in to the classroom with the children this year, we will continue to do one hour visits with any of the children who are having a difficult time adjusting. We want everyone to feel comfortable coming to school! Parents will remain at the school while their child attends for their one hour visit. We will have some tables set up on the front lawn of the church so you can do some socially distancing chatting with fellow parents.

\Leftrightarrow UPCOMING EVENTS \Leftrightarrow

Sept. 8 • First Day of Classes for 3 AM FT, 3 PM FT, JK/SK

Sept. 9 • First Day of Classes for 3 AM PT, 3 PM PT

Sept. 15 • Board Meeting

Sept. 23 • Picture Day

Sept. 24 • Orientation Night for 2.5 AM

Oct. 1 • First Day of Classes for 2.5 AM

September themes are Off to School and All About Me. We will be spending lots of time settling in, figuring out our new routine and getting to know each other.

What to bring:

- Indoor shoes
- A complete change of clothing (including socks) in a labeled Ziplock
- Diapers and wipes (if applicable) in a labeled Ziplock
- · Seasonally appropriate clothing, including sun hats

Labeling is more important than ever this year. Please label everything you possibly can!! With parents not being in the building, it won't be as easy to keep unlabeled items straight. There is a link to our Mabel's Labels account on our Facebook page.

We will be sending all artwork home in your child's backpack. Please ensure their backpack in a good size to fit all of their amazing creations!! (And be sure to label backpacks. 😌)

We will be spending more time outdoors this year. Please send your child with season appropriate outdoor wear. We do not get a lot of sun in the playground in the afternoons so please pack an extra sweater, just in case. Please apply sunscreen to your child before coming to school on those warm sunny days. Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell in any way. This includes runny nose, sneezing, coughs, sore throat, vomiting or fever. The Health Department has made it very clear to us that we must send a child home if they show any of these symptoms. We must keep all of our staff and children safe. If you have any questions, please refer to the Covid-19 Protocols or reach out to your teacher.

Our Facebook page will be our main source of communication with families this year. We will be posting lots of pictures and comments each day so you can see what exciting things we were up to that day!! We will also be available through email and texts... we are always here for you!!

We are going in to this school year with great excitement! We can not wait to kick this school year off!

See you soon, Your Nottinghill Teachers



Staffing Update

Our teachers have been hard at work over the past few weeks, doing everything from setting up our classrooms, to finalizing our school curriculum. Our screening stations are all set up, our toys are out and ready.....first day of school, here we come!

A big welcome back to our returning teachers: Miss Kim, Miss Amy, Miss Jessica, Miss Ann and Miss Stacey. Joining us this year is Miss Dana, who will be our assistant teacher in our JK/SK class. Miss Dana is a former Nottinghill parent, who also spent some time teaching at Nottinghill. We are very excited to have Miss Dana join us this year!

This year will be a unique year but we are confident that our teachers will help make it the best one yet!

Class	Lead Teacher	Assistant Teacher	Float Teacher
2 AM* * Begins October 1, 2020	Miss Kim	-	Miss Jessica
3 AM - Class 1 (Mon/Wed/Fri)	Miss Kim	-	Miss Jessica
3 AM - Class 2 (Mon-Fri)	Miss Ann	Miss Stacey	Miss Jessica
3 PM	Miss Jessica	-	Miss Stacey
JK/SK (Online)	Miss Amy	-	-
JK/SK (In-class)	Miss Amy	Miss Dana	Miss Stacey



Message from the President



Hello Nottinghill Families!

We hope you had a wonderful, healthy and safe summer! To all of our new families, we are excited to welcome you to the Nottinghill Community, and to all of our returning families, we are so happy that you are joining us again this year!

Thank you to everyone who attended Orientation Night. Lots of fantastic questions were brought up, and if you have any more, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of our teachers or a board member. We are always happy to help answer your questions and address any concerns you may have!

I want to take this opportunity to recognize and thank our wonderful teachers and board members – Thank you for all of the hard work that you have put in over the last couple of weeks! Your creativity and dedication have not gone unnoticed and we can't wait to get this year started!

Everyone should have received the Parent Handbook and the Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement Form from our Registrar. You will notice that included within our policies is a new COVID-19 policy. Please make sure you read through the handbook and all the policies and complete the acknowledgement form by September 11th. Our policies and parent handbook can also be found on our website. I want to highlight some of the changes you will see at Nottinghill this year.

First, you may notice that our committees look a little different – we do not have a social committee this year, and some of the responsibilities of our more traditional committees have changed. This is just a reminder that your committee participation is vital to the success of Nottinghill. Should you wish to opt-out of your committee responsibilities, a committee buyout fee applies.

Second, our routines have changed a little due to our new COVID-19 protocols – for example, we are unable to accommodate parent volunteers in the classrooms, and our drop off/pick up procedures have been modified.

Finally, our class programming has changed. This year, we are excited to offer a new full-time (5 days a week) 3 AM program. We have a few spots still available, so if you know of anyone who might be interested, please have them contact Laura, our Registrar! Our lunch club has been put on hold for this year.

As we kick off the 2020/2021 school year, I want to thank each and every one of you for all of your support, kind words and patience over the last few months. We hope you all have a wonderful school year!

-Dima

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COVID-19 Prescreening Tool

This is just a reminder that you will need to complete our online prescreen **every day**

before dropping off your child.

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Reminder!

The Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement Form must be completed **prior to September 8th**. For a full set of our policies and procedures,

please refer to the Parent Handbook. The acknowledgement form can be found here:

https://forms.gle/fk8Hues5cT4tm7QK6

FündScrip

We have a new and exciting way for Nottinghill Families to continue to support the school... Fundscrip!

What is Fundscrip? Fundscrip is an online program through which you can purchase gift cards/e-gift cards to over 250 retailers. Every gift card purchase completed through the program automatically includes a donation to Nottinghill's fundraising campaign.

How does it work?

It's easy! Create an account and browse all of the available gift cards. Buy your gift cards at face value and get face value when you shop at retailers – no extra fees! Coupons and promotional codes are still redeemable at retailers since using gift cards is the same as cash. It's an easy way to support your school while making your regular purchases – a definite win win!

Some of the amazing retailers available are Winners/ Homesense, Starbucks, Amazon.ca, Toys R Us, Old Navy, Hudson's Bay, Walmart, Esso, Metro and many others!

Please take a few moments to register and browse the countless gift cards available for purchase. There is something for everyone!

https://www.fundscrip.com/Sign-Up.aspx?IID=PQ8EZ9

We appreciate your continued support of Nottinghill!

<u>Yes, they lost something else...</u>

Lots of amazing combo packs to help keep track of everything from backpacks to splash pants!

Mabel's Labels can be purchased online by going to www.mabelslabels.ca, and clicking on the "Support a Fundraiser" link and typing in "Nottinghill Co-op Preschool".

> In doing so, you score some amazing quality labels to help keep track of all their new spring clothes and help support our wonderful school!

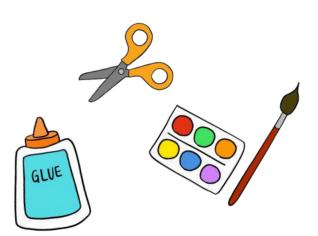
Picture Day

This year we are excited to move picture day outside!



Lisa Tullett will be joining us on **Wednesday, September 23rd** to take our individual and class photos.

Our online JK/SK families will be invited to get their pictures taken at this time as well. Details will be announced closer to the date.



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