

Brooks Preschool

NOVEMBER

NEWSLETTER

A message from our Teachers

November brings in topics of Community Safety and being a good citizen as we will be celebrating National Child Day this month. Through experiences and activities provided the children will become aware of different occupations in our community and the way these individuals help us. If you are interested in sharing your profession with our classes, we would love to hear from you and plan for you to come in.

For E-Transfer Payments

Email:

Brookspreschool123@gmail.com

Please include your child's first and last name.

Monthly payments are due by the 15th of each month.

Reminder Notice

Our Evacuation Meeting Place is now Newell Associate Clinic at 220-4th St W Brooks, AB by school staff and volunteer parents.

Reminder

Parents, please help yourself to the information & pamphlets available in the front entrance of the preschool, The PARENTS CORNER. We have lots of community resources and information about nutrition, exercise & well being.



We have noticed the children are very engaged in building and creating. As we watch and listen for their interests; we set up different centers in our environment. This allows for our mighty learners to explore, experiment, discover, create, and ask questions. We look forward to seeing their skills develop using all kinds of materials that are being provided.

Playing with blocks provides the opportunity for our mighty learners to be creative and learn elements of science and math, like problem solving, counting, adding and subtracting, and helps them build both gross and fine motor skills.



We are **participating**, we are engaging with others. We are listening to and sharing ideas, thoughts, and feelings. We are negotiating, taking turns, and observing.

Special Days

Brooks and Newell Safe Communities may be in this month to talk to the children about community safety.



Cookies and Kindness: November 26, 27, 28 the children will be decorating and delivering cookies. Delivering to places close by, Pioneer Villa, Police Station and Food Bank. Staff will deliver some to the Hospital, Fire Hall, and Newell Clinic (our safe meeting place)



Creating Cultural Connections

Counting: If you are interested in teaching the children how to count to 10 in a different language please speak to the teachers.

Art: We are looking for families that would be interested in sharing different art from their cultural background.

Music: If you have songs or favorite music you listen to with your family, please share this with us.



Special Thanks

We are very grateful for our volunteers, you're terrific in helping in so many ways.

We appreciate the parents that are volunteering, thank you so much!

Special thanks to all the parents who supported us during our Fall Walks and Pick a Pumpkin and Bake Sale Fundraiser. We appreciated Cathleen Thibert with Cat Creations as she donated her time and donations to our preschool.

Thank you for your donations to the Brooks Food Bank during Thanksgiving week. This is a way for the children to practice being good citizens, by helping and caring about people in our community, the children brought in 93 lbs. of items.

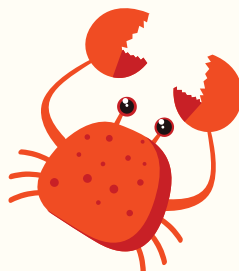


CHARACTER EDUCATION: "CITIZENSHIP"

Your preschooler will meet Cindy the Citizen Crab and be encouraged through stories, songs, and activities to:

- Cooperate**
- Obey rules**
- Respect people in charge**
- Not to litter**

Before children can be citizens of the community, they must learn to be citizens in the classroom. Children who learn to get along with their classmates will be able to learn to get along in their community. One way to help preschool children become good citizens is by teaching them not to litter; to do their share to make your home, school, and community a better place for everyone!



Mat Man has been introduced and is popular with the classes as the children learn body awareness, cooperation, organization, and sequencing as they build Mat Man. Our time includes building 'Mat Man' individually and in large groups working on being a team player.

Little Reminders

Parents, please let teachers know of any changes in phone numbers, addresses or medical concerns. We need to keep information current.

Please clearly label your child's belongings (lunch bag, backpack, shoes, etc.) to avoid any confusion or lost items.

During bad weather conditions, our school will be closed when temperatures drop to -35 degrees (excluding wind chill). Parents, please listen to our local Radio Station for conformation. FM 101.1 or Q105.7

Doors at the preschool open at 8:15 pick up times is 12:00 noon doors will remain locked until then. If you need to pick up your child earlier, please ring the doorbell.

Play Zone – Be advised, children paint, use markers, and glue at school. We recommend that you DON'T dress your child in their best clothes as stains are a possibility.



If you have any concerns or questions throughout the year please feel free to contact your teachers at the preschool or email at bpsteachers@brookspreschool.com





Snack Attack

Homemade Gummy Bears

What you'll need:

- Gummy Bear or similar size silicone molds
- Chopped Fruits (Peaches & Watermelon)
- Unsweetened Apple Juice
- Honey
- Gelatin

Directions:

1. Blend the chopped fruit, apple juice and honey in a blender until smooth. Taste the mixture at this point and adjust the sweetness as desired.
2. Pour the mixture into a bowl and sprinkle the gelatin all over the top. Let it sit as the gelatin blooms for 5 minutes.
3. After 5 minutes, give the mixture a mix (it will be thick) and transfer to a saucepan over medium heat to dissolve the gelatin. You want the mixture heated but not boiling.
4. As its heating up, whisk it until smooth, with no clumps.
5. Use a dropper or small spoon to fill the liquid into the molds.
6. Place in the refrigerator and let the gummies set for at least 2 hours, or overnight.
Ready to serve.

