

NOTTINGHILL NEWS



Nottingham Cooperative Preschool

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**SAVE THE
DATE**

SMILE! Picture Day:

October 5,6
Individual and class
photos will be taken.

Thanksgiving Holiday:

October 10

Fall Farm Field Trip:

October 11,12

Halloween Celebration:

2 a.m. and R.C. Oct 27.
3 a.m., JK and RC Oct 31

Family Fun Night:

November 11

**Do you have a
business service or
product that you
would like to share
with the Nottingham
Community?** If your

child attends Nottingham
and you are running a
home based business, join
us at Family Night where a
few tables will be set aside
to showcase the
products/services offered
by our families. If you
would like to have a table
or a portion of a table,
please contact
president@nottinghillpreschool.com for more info.



Hello Nottingham Families!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN**

September flew by and classes are well underway! Most children are settling in quite well and becoming familiar with their teachers and classmates. As we all know the beginning of a new school year is a time of adjustment – not only for the wee ones but for us adults too. There are new friends, new teachers, new schedules and the hardest of all – new routines!

I would like to thank our Social Committee for hosting our Meet and Greet in the first couple of weeks of school. I hope you were able to meet other parents and caregivers from your child's class.

The October duty schedules have been distributed. Please ensure that you submit any outstanding paperwork well before your scheduled duty day. Please remember that we have Ministry requirements we need to fulfill.

Our Fundraising Committee is already hard at work launching one of our biggest fundraisers of the year - our **Magazine Fundraiser**. Our big campaign runs now and they are great ideas for holiday gifts! Our fundraising dollars are spent on improvements to the school and enhancements to our programming (eg. Sandbox, toys, creative supplies, Creative Movement & Dash Sports to name a few!)

Finally there are some great events scheduled for this month, a fall field trip to **Frootogo Orchards**, as well as Halloween festivities being planned. Please understand our school policy is not to send edible treats for Halloween due to allergies. If you would like to send something for your child to share (not mandatory!) with their classmates please consider pencils, stickers, erasers, coloring/craft items, etc. You will find details for all these events outlined in the October Nottingham School Calendar, distributed in your art folders.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and Halloween!

Mabel's Labels

Mabel's Labels are dishwasher and laundry safe labels for clothing, shoes, lunch containers, bottles, backpacks and more. Please visit our website at www.ncp.mabel.ca to place your order to help raise money for the school. Please feel free to share this with friends and family!

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Family Fun Night

Friday, November 11th

Please mark your calendars for Friday, November 11th for an evening of fun! Dress you little ones in their favourite Super Hero costume for a night of crafts, games, and fun! Rono will also be performing. Donations of drinks, tattoos, stickers, and any other loot bag items would be appreciated. We would also welcome any adult volunteers who would like to dress up as a Super Hero for the evening. For donations please contact Barb Demone at bdemone@cogeco.ca

Magazine Fundraiser!



The magazine fundraiser is up and running! There are great magazines available for all ages and interests. Shop online at qsp.ca to view the entire selection of magazines. Have your favourite magazine delivered to your front door or buy a gift subscription.

Nottingham's group number for online shopping is: **18485**. Check your child's art folder for paper order forms and instructions. If you have any questions please contact Kate Moo King-Curtis at kmocurtis@gmail.com



Frootogo Farm Field Trip October 11/12



For our Fall field trip we will be visiting Frootogo Farms for a pumpkin tour. Parents are required to accompany their children. Please no siblings. We will take a wagon ride into the pumpkin patch, have a puppet show, play outside, have a drink and snack and get to take a small pumpkin home. Please return complete permission forms to the VP Marketing folder by Oct 7.
2.a.m classes will be going Oct 11 in the morning.
3 a.m. classes will be going Oct. 12 in the morning.
J.k. classes will be going Oct 12 in the afternoon.

Nottingham Playdate

Join us for a special Nottingham playdate at Busy Bodies on Wednesday October 19th and Thursday October 20th from 9:30 to 11:30. The cost per child is \$6 (a \$2 savings!).

Famous GOOP recipe!

3 cups non-toxic white glue.
Gradually pour in 1 cup of Endure antibacterial liquid soap.
Stir.

When mixture leaves the bowl and forms a ball it needs to be soapy but not sticky.
Cover for the night in an air tight container.

The following day, if goop is sticky add a few tbsp. of Endure Liquid Soap.

Where to purchase the Endure Soap/Glue.
www.Palmergroup.com



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Got the sniffles?

Did you know if your child is sick and will not be coming to school you **do not** need to notify the school.



However, if your child is absent due to a *communicable disease please inform the school ASAP.

• *Examples of communicable diseases include: influenza, chicken pox, ringworm, and whooping cough.

A Good Tip:

As we enter cold and flu season it is more important than ever to wash your child's hands.

Keeping anti-bacterial hand wipes in your car to wipe your little ones hands before and after school will help stop the spread of germs!

Achew! Thank You!



As you know . . .



the Newsletter has gone GREEN!

Hard copies of this newsletter can also be found in the NEWSLETTER mailbox located above the cubbies.

If you know of someone who is not receiving their newsletter via email please have them contact: lisa.tullett@sympatico.ca



TEACHER'S CORNER

Miss Cathy and Miss Ann

Hello Nottingham Mommies and Daddies:

Fall is here which means we say goodbye to the humidity! We have had a wonderful September start and the children are settling in nicely and are beginning to feel comfortable in their surroundings! Thank you for the quick goodbyes at the door/gate. You have helped to make this transition smooth and less traumatic for your child. Thank you to a few of our parents who have been asked to stay to give their child the longer transitional period that they need to adjust to their program. Patience and time is the key!

Now we look forward to October. The children are already so excited about their costumes and Halloween festivities. As we enter this holiday season here are a few reminders:

Please no scary masks!!

The children can come dressed in their costumes.

Do not bring candy into the school, Nottingham will provide a special Halloween snack.

Additional October reminders:

Please check your Monthly Nottingham Calendar for events, this is a valuable communication tool between the teachers and parents. Also please make sure you have a change of clothes in your child's back pack and a pair of slip-on Velcro shoes or rubber boots for your child to use during outdoor play. Proving a shoe that is easy to put on will help the teachers greatly. Lastly, please make sure all clothes and shoes are properly labeled with your child's name.

October's Phonics:

Letter's **B** and **C** will be explored through puppetry, jolly phonics, stories, games, and hands-on activities. Students will also enjoy spiders, snakes and pumpkins in their sensory play.

Math:

Children will be counting pumpkins, bats, and so much more! Children will experiment with measurement through water play and using the Apple Pie Wooden Set children will explore various measurement such as: $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, and one whole pie.

Science:

Children will hypothesize how long it take for ice to melt. Also "What is happening to our goop? Eeek! It's turning Black!"

Sincerely,
Cathy Boroway and Ann Hill

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October Songs your children will be singing:

Brown Squirrel:

Brown Squirrel (repeat 2x)
Swish your bushy tail. (Repeat 1x)
Hold an acorn in your toes.
Wrinkle up your little nose.
Brown Squirrel (repeat 2x)
Swish your bushy tail.

I'm a Nut.

I'm a little acorn brown.
Lying on the cold, cold ground.
Everybody steps on me.
(action-step on acorn)
That's why I am cracked you see.
I'm a nut (repeat 3x)

Halloween Finger Play

5 little pumpkins sitting on the gate
The 1st one said "oh my it's getting late!"
The 2nd once daid "there are witches in the air!"
The 3rd one said "but we don't care".
The 4th one said "let's run and run and run."
The 5th one said "I'm ready for some fun."
Oooooohhh went the wind and off went the lights and the 5 little pumpkins rolled out of sight.

ITEMS FOR DONATION

Our teachers are looking for the following items to be donated to our classrooms:

Craft items

Glitter glue
Sparkles
Pastels
Cotton Balls
Velvet Material
Tinfoil
Bows
Ribbon
Smelly or Glitter Markers
Stickers
Glue Sticks

Gently Used Items

Heavy Duty Bikes and helmets
Board Games
14 inch doll clothes
Puppet Theatre
Puppets – big and finger
Fish Bowl
Fish Food
T.V. Stand
Electric pencil sharpener

Are you a qualified E.C.E?

Nottingham is looking to add some qualified teachers to our supply list. If you have documentation and are interested, please let Amanda Citrome citromes@gmail.com know.

Would you like to be a Volunteer?
As flu season approaches, we are sometimes in need of parents to volunteer. If you are interested, please contact Amanda Citrome.