



# Callingwood-Lymburn Community Playschool

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## March 2020

### Message from the Chair



Hello playschool families,

A reminder that we have our library program up and running outside the classroom. It is an honor system, so please enjoy the books. This was all made possible due to the fundraising efforts of this year (chocolates and bingos) and several past years. Great job everyone!

#### Important dates in March:

- March 4 - Committee Meeting (6:30-8:30pm) – Lymburn School library
- March 2 - Toy Cleaning 6:00pm
- March 6 - Family Dance at Lymburn School 5:30-7:30pm
- March 18- CLCP Open House 4:30-6:30pm
- March 23, 2017 – March 27, 2017 (inclusive) – No School –Spring Break

Our Family Dance & Silent Auction will be held on **March 6th from 5:30pm – 7:30pm at the Lymburn school gym**. Invitations have been sent out in your child's mailbox. Please make sure to fill them out and get them back to your Class Reps. This helps us with how much food to buy and also gives us an idea of how many people to expect. Please feel free to invite other friends & family from outside of the school to attend. This is a family friendly event and there are a lot of great items up for grabs at the silent auction. We will also be able to accept credit & debit cards for payment of items at the auction. General admission and food concession purchases are cash only.

The open house in January went very well. Thank you so much to everyone who helped get the word out on Facebook and beyond, and to both of our teachers for their excellent work in representing our fantastic playschool. Registration for 2020/2021 school year is open to the public and we still have spots available in the 3am class and also both afternoon classes. You can see we are holding a second open house on March 18th so please keep broadcasting this to families in the west end, especially if they have children who will be 3 by September! Our current families are always our best advertisers

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the dance!

Hilary Gordon

## Message from the Vice-Chair

Hi Everyone,

Can't believe we're already getting into March! This months toy cleaning is Monday March 2nd at 6:00pm. The families signed up are:

Sanizlo (4am)            Greenslade (4am)

Basemah (4am)        Phan (3am)

Conway (3pm)        Verhey (3am)

Thanks,

Courtney Brebner



## Donations Coordinator

Our family dance and silent auction is coming up on Friday, March 6th. It's a fun evening for all ages and a fantastic opportunity to bid on great items and activities in support of our playschool.

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If you are still hoping to donate, the box will be in the classroom until March 3rd. Please also include your name so we can be sure to thank everyone for their support and generosity. A big thank you to all the families and businesses that have shown their support already!

If you have any questions, please email [donations@callingwoodlymburnplayschool.com](mailto:donations@callingwoodlymburnplayschool.com) or text me 780-719-4716.

I'm looking forward to a fun evening full of dancing, laughter and friendly bidding wars. Please be sure to invite all your family and friends. Tickets are on sale now!!!

Jessica



## Events Coordinator



**Spring is just around the corner!!!**

**Please join us for our Annual CLCP Dance and Silent Auction!!!**

**When: Friday, March 6 Time: 5:30pm - 7:30 pm**

**Where: Lyburn Elementary School Gymnasium**

The night will be filled with music, dancing, snacks and great items to bid on at the silent auction. Invite your friends & family to come out and support your playschool! It's a memorable family-friendly event where you can visit with friends and hopefully make some new ones.



Invitations have already gone out and tickets can be purchased through your class rep. We recommend pre-purchasing food & drink tickets as only a limited number will be available for purchase at the event.

The following families have been emailed regarding their volunteer time slot for the event. If you haven't already confirmed, please email me at [events@callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com](mailto:events@callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com)

3:45 – 5:00	Hot Dog Prep & auction table set up	Matychuk, Mitton
5:00 – 5:30	Hot Dog wrapping, kitchen prep	McMullin, Walstad
5:30 – 6:00	Kitchen Sales	Churchill, Brebner
6:00 – 6:30	Kitchen Sales	Pham, Merali
6:30 – 7:00	Kitchen Sales	Nuytten, Rebalkin
7:00 – 7:30	Kitchen Sales (& start clean-up)	Kidd, Piano-Rolon
7:30 – 8:00	Gym clean-up & tables storage	Phan, J Williams, Fortin, Boehm, Matychuk

If you aren't scheduled to volunteer but would like to help out please email me at [events@callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com](mailto:events@callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com)

Thanks in advance to everyone that has donated items to the Silent Auction and/or time to ensure that this event is a success. We're still accepting donations and look forward to seeing everyone on the dance floor.

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## Treasurer

Hello families,

Tax season is upon us! If you would like to receive 2019 tuition receipts please email [treasurer@callingwoodlymburnplayschool.com](mailto:treasurer@callingwoodlymburnplayschool.com).

Karima

## Tuesday/Thursday Tidbits

Happy March, Tues/Thurs Families!

Hopefully we will get a little more mild weather in the coming weeks so that you can enjoy a bit more of the white fluffy stuff and your community skating rink! Maybe the approaching Spring weather will bring us a reprieve from all of the big and little viruses that everyone has been battling over the past few months!

Our theme for the whole month of March is "Community Helpers". This will give us many opportunities to explore different helpers around us, for example: health care workers; grocery clerks; pet care experts; school staff; emergency personnel; etc. Using this theme, we will continue to build our fine motor skills with scissors and controlling markers, crayons, and paint brushes. We can keep finding opportunities for number and letter recognition. Have you noticed that your children are beginning to recognize their friends' names as well as their own? They now see the names on their name tags, the check-in tags, the snack place mats, and the water bottles and enjoy helping each other find their names and comparing who has the same starting and ending letters.

A common theme in our class lately has been playing games from the games cupboard. This usually entails a grown up helper sitting with them to walk them through following simple rules and taking turns. These are concrete activities that are helping your children build social and interactive skills with their classmates. Sometimes this looks like an increase in conflict, but it really means that your kids are learning that they have social relationships with children and adults outside their family units. These relationships often look like more active and loud or silly play (even during circle time), but really mean that your wee ones are moving on to a new stage in their development and growth.

We have three full weeks (meaning a week with a Tuesday and a Thursday class), so we will be able to fit three more Star Student turns in. Some of the kids have been waiting SO LONG for their turns!

When you look at the calendar, you will see that we have our Glow Yoga make-up sessions on March 10th - send your child in comfy clothing that day please. Also, we will wrap up our Community Helpers month with a field trip to the Sweet Pea cafe playhouse on the last class in March (the first Tuesday back after Spring Break). I will give you the address closer to the date.

Teacher Lisa



### **ADD THESE UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS TO YOUR CALENDARS:**

- March 10 - Glow Yoga (in class AM 10:00-10:30, PM 2:00-2:30)
- March 31 - Sweet Pea Cafe (AM 10:15-11:30, PM 1:15-2:30)
- April 14 - John Janzen Nature Centre (AM 9:30-11:00, PM 1:00-2:30)
- May 26 - Prairie Gardens (Combined Classes! Yellow Bus 9:00, back by 2:15)

# M/W/F News

Greetings Playschool Parents!

Happy March!

This month our theme will be Community Helpers. We will have fun exploring a variety of careers – dentists, fire fighters, chefs...even the classroom will undergo some transformations to support all the learning that will go on. On March 13<sup>th</sup> we will be Little Chefs and make our own pizzas. To conclude our unit, we will have a “career day” on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Please have your child dress up in a career they would like to do when they grow up. It is so amazing to watch these precious children dream about their futures!

On March 11 we will be going on a field trip to the Sweet Pea Café. This field trip will fit perfectly with our Community Helpers Theme. The kiddos will get to play police officers, doctors, eat in a diner and so much more! Please drop your child off at the Café and pick them up at the times listed on the calendar. Another special day will be our St. Patrick's Day Celebration. We will celebrate this on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Please send your child in green this day (Parent Helpers please bring Lucky Charms and milk.

One of the best events of the year is our Family Dance and Silent Auction, which will be held in the Lymburn School Gym on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30. This night is a fun event for the whole family, and is one of our biggest fundraisers. Get your tickets from your class reps as soon as possible.

And I just wanted to thank-you so much for all of your participation in the Heartfelt helpers activity. The children are so proud of their accomplishments! I hope it was fun to see them hard at work being good helpers!

Thanks again for all you do,

Teacher Cathey 

Looking Ahead:

- April 10-13 Easter Weekend
- April 17 Dad's Night
- April 27 Zoo to You In Class Presentation