



Executive Director Message

Hello Families,

I Just wanted to send a quick hello and say thank you all for the warm welcome to the ICDC Family. It's been a busy first few weeks getting settled and I have tried to get around to meeting as many parents as I can. If I have missed you so far, please feel free to stop by the office and say hi! I have been in the Child Care Field for about 19 years now and I have been in a management role in varying levels for the majority of my career. I took a 3 year break from child care centres and was a nanny for two children. I have mainly worked in the not-for-profit centres and look forward to using my skills and knowledge to support and enhance the quality care ICDC offers.

Thank you,
Tami

Room 1 - A Fresh Start

Room 1 is once again open and operational. Repairs are complete, everything put back, new floor installed, and new windows! To benefit the

community more we have also introduced a new age group. As of March 1 ICDC welcomes children under the age of 19 months. We are now licensed to accept children starting at 12 months. Room 1 will facilitate our new infants and younger toddlers. For March there will be 2 Educator; BibiSarah and Jessy. In April they will be joined by Hyeah as well.

Casino Money

Our funds for the Casino families participated in back in October are now available. We were allocated about \$68 thousand. This money is designated to be spent on rent and groceries. We want to say thank you to the parent community for your contribution. Without the parent volunteers we would be unable to hold a casino. This money impacts the running of our program substantially. We thank you for contributing towards the betterment of the centre and therefore your children.

St. Patrick's Day - Celebration

Officially St. Patrick's day falls on Sunday this year. We will

be celebrating on Friday the 15th. So wear Green and get ready to get your Irish on.



Spring Menu

Shari has started to develop the spring menu. Some parents have already reached out and offered to help, thank you! If you have any suggestions or recipies you wish to contribute please forward them to Tami or Sarah's email addresses (diretor@inglewoodchilddevelopment.ca OR sarah@inglewoodchilddevelopment.ca). We want to encourage input from our ICDC community. Our only stipulations are nut free (shari can substitute) and we have to follow the new, improved Canada Food Guide.

Did you Know?

Some companies will match charitable donations. As a registered charity ICDC can



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Alexandra Centre Society
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receive these donations. This is great for our centre and for you (especially around tax season). Check with your employer to see if they match charitable donations!

Outdoor Weather Policy and Procedures

For those of you who are unsure/ unaware here is ICDC's Outdoor Weather Policy: In the event that the temperature goes above +28 or below -15 (including wind chill), to ensure the safety of

the children, children will not be going outside. All children must wear appropriate clothing daily: winter clothing includes snow pants, snow boots, warm winter jacket, hat, and waterproof/resistant mittens (scarves are NOT permitted). All the educators check the weather frequently using sites like acu weather and the Weather Network to check the temperature based on our location. Educators must always take the safety of the children into consideration so if it is too icy, windy, wet etc. the children might not go outside. Please also remember that sometimes we have instances where we are not able to get outside such as events, staffing and ratios.

Mary Ann Returing!

It has almost been a year since our Room 3 Educator went on Maternity Leave. We are very excited to announce Mary Ann's return for April 1. Mary Ann will once again be an Educator in Room 3 along with Kerin.

Peanuts & Tree Nuts

As most of you are aware ICDC is a nut free facility. We have been very lucky recently in not having any of these allergies here. As a reminder that ICDC is a nut free facility signs will be posted and the entrances to the centre. This is a health and safety matter that we must be more proactive with. Thank you for your cooperation.



SCHEDULE

March 15, 2019

Wear Green and celebrate St. Paddy's

March 17, 2019

Happy St. Patrick's Day

March 20, 2019

Board Meeting @ 5:30pm

What's Online?

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