



---

# Lord Roberts Children's Program Spring 2017

## ECE Week

Early Childhood Educators Week is a time to celebrate the hard work and dedication staff provide for your children. **This year Early Childhood Educators Week is April 24-28.** The board has worked hard to plan a fun week for the staff. There is a sign up sheet located at the entrance of both centres to sign up to bring in some treats for the staff on Monday

## Preschool Outdoor Daycare

As many of you know, and have experienced, the preschool usually does a two week outdoor daycare challenge in June where we spend the entire day outside (snacks- morning and afternoon, lunch, nap). After much consideration we have decided not do it this year. However, as a team we have decided we will spend the months of July and August outside. It will not be the entire day though so don't worry! We will start inside and have morning snack then head out and do morning circle time outside, followed by a picnic lunch. We will then come in for nap and afternoon snack. Afterwards we will go back out and spend the rest of the afternoon outside. Of course if the weather is too hot, or raining we will stay inside. We would like to spend as much time outside, exploring, and learning about nature and have felt over the years we get burnt out in the two week challenge that the summer is lacking in outdoor adventures. There is still some work to be done in organizing this and we will send out information closer to the summer. We would like to also prepare you for **NO HEAT UP** lunches for the summer months (July and August). We would like to be able to enjoy the outdoors as much as possible so please no heat ups. **We will not come in to warm your child's lunch up!!!!** If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to ask

## Preschool Parent Night

Preschool Parent Night will be on **Tuesday May 16.** This is a great opportunity for parents to get to know the staff a little better, ask questions, and discuss their child's progress. Each parent will be given a 15 minute time slot with one of the staff. These times will be given out very soon. If the day or time does not work for you please talk to your child's assigned teacher to work out an alternate time.

## MCCA Conference

Reminder, we are closed on Friday May 26, 2016 for the Manitoba Child-care Conference—each year we close on this day in lieu of Easter Monday. The daycare will be closed so please make sure to find alternate care



---

## LRCP

Volume 7, Issue 1

April 2017

---

### Inside this issue:

News from Sunshine	2
News from Rainbow	2
Important Dates to Remember /	2
News from School Age	3
Summer Time	3
Early Childhood Edu-	4

## News from the Sunny Sunshine Room

Well spring has finally arrives and we could not be more happy! We love to spend time outdoors and so do the children. Please remember to make sure your child is prepared for outdoor play everyday.

As we mentioned in an email a few weeks ago, we have muddy buddies for the children to use during wet and rainy days. Please remember if you see a muddy buddy hanging in your child's locker please leave it there as these belong to the centre.

Preschool parent night will be on Tuesday May 16. Notes will be going

home shortly letting you know when your appointment is. If the day/time does not work for you please talk to the teacher you are scheduled to meet for an alternate date/time

Please remember to keep extra clothing in your child's locker. We have limited amounts of extra clothing at the daycare. Children get wet and messy so extra clothing always helps.

We have been sending reminders and information to you through email. It is an easier way for us to communicate things to you as well as we hope

it will remind you about upcoming events or information about the centre. If you have not been receiving emails, please let us know (just incase we have the wrong email). There are a few parents who said no to emailed receipts/invoices, so we do not have your email on file; however, if you'd like emails about events, reminders etc, please provide an email and we'll make sure you are receiving the information .



We hope everyone has an enjoyable spring!

## Hello from the Rainbow Room

Spring is Here! We are so excited for the warmer weather and we are taking full advantage of it. We have been averaging 1 1/2—2 hours outside daily and the children are loving it! So please remember to send extra clothes, rubber boots, sweaters, and sun hats.

This year we are spreading out our

field trips. They will start in May and continue to November so stay tuned for details.

We want to welcome Augustyn and Whitley to the Rainbow Room and we said good bye to Sam and Owen L who moved into the Sunshine Room.

Lastly a Happy Birthday to Whitley, Gus, Mara, and Ryker who all turn 2 in May and June.



Happy Spring  
Renee and Brittany

## Important Dates to Remember

**Friday April 21-** No School

**Monday May 8-** No School

**Tuesday May 16-** Parent Night at preschool

**Monday May 22-** Victoria Day-closed

**Wednesday June 28-** No school

**Wednesday June 28-** Mud Day

**Friday June 30-** Last day of School

## Sunscreen Forms

Sunscreen/ bug spray forms have been emailed to you. Please fill these out and return them as soon as possible. If you do not have access to a printer a paper copy is available.



# News from School-age

During the last couple of months the children have been discussing responsibilities in all its shapes and forms. With the younger we have discussed "bucket filling" compared to "bucket dipping". If you are unsure what I am referring to then you have never heard another child say to another "hey that's not nice, don't empty my bucket!" I on the other hand have heard this quite often within kinder conversations. It's very interesting to see the difference in conversation and understanding from one age bracket to another. The older children view responsibilities as a necessary part of life. This however in no way implies they enjoy them but then again the same can be said for adults so I guess they are right on track

We have slowly been trying to teach our grades 4, 5, and 6's about responsibility and respect in regards to themselves and others around them. We recently did a bake sale of which some of that age group helped bake the goods for sale. The children were given the responsibility to plan and handle all aspects of the bake sale. They were asked to come up with what they would like to bake, when they would like to bake it and given a

goal to reach. It was brought up to them that there was the option of having their big sale not for their benefit but to benefit someone or something else. There was absolutely no hesitation on their part to make their bake sale a platform for raising money for the Humane Society. To add a little extra incentive on their part Daclan, one of our school age staff volunteered to have his head shaven if the children reached a goal of over \$150. Joyfully on their side and reluctantly on Daclan's this goal was achieved, details on head shaving to follow. The bake sale became a group effort not just within the day-care but through the school as well. The children were shocked to see the amount of donations that came through based purely on willingness to support a worthy cause versus the need for bake goods. I think in a way this broadened their understanding of responsibility to see its translation into the world around us and not just the obvious. Happy to say that with everything said and done the children raised over \$200 for the Humane Society. The children were quite proud of their accomplishment and look forward to the fieldtrip to take the donation to the Humane Society.

Some of the duties that we have tried with our older children are: making them leaders of activities that we are doing, sign some of the children in (with adult supervision), helping to guide the younger children when they are looking for help, cleaning the tables after they are done lunch, and having them actually plan activities that they would like to do. Some of the children in this group have really flourished with the encouragement and ongoing responsibility, while others have preferred to not enjoy it as much and try to opt out of the responsibility given to them.

This graduating year we have five children, Jack, Lauren, Jon, Caitlyn, and Travis that have all been with us since they were very young. They have all grown to be such wonderful young persons. They have challenged the staff on things that they feel were unfair and didn't understand, they have developed into their own beings with the ability to decide if they need to leave a situation, stay, or go get help.

## Summer Time

We are so very excited for Summer and hopefully the warm weather is going to stick around, and we will have a very warm and enjoyable summer.

We will once again be using the day-care bus for field trips that holds 16 children. With the warm weather we are hoping to start field trips very shortly and continue to have field trips throughout the summer.

We are always looking for volunteers so if you are ever available on a field trip day we would be more than happy to have you join us.

Also we are always looking for fun things to do for field trips so if you have any neat ideas please let us know!



Reminder: with warm weather please remember to bring in a hat for outdoor play. The sun is very hot already and it is a good idea to get into the routine of bringing it in now as we charge \$5.00 for a daycare hat in the summer if your child does not have one.

---

## LRCP

Director: April Kalyniuk  
Assistant Director: Lanny Lie  
Prsschool Supervisor: Rosette Hakim  
Sybille Kinley  
School-age Supervisor: Sherry Marten

**Preschool Site:**  
725 Kylemore Avenue  
(204) 453-3409

**School-age Site:**  
665 Beresford Avenue  
(204) 284-9809

**Newsletter Creator: Rosette Hakim**



## Board of Directors 2016- 2017

Chair	Neil McKernan
Vice Chair	Heather Bidzinski
Treasurer	Corey McCracken
Secretary	Jenara Desmedt
Director	Catherine Spreitzer
Director	Amber Lindsay
Director	Kerry Birch
Director	Sheila Henderson
Director	Jillian Recksiedler
Director	Marcia Yoshida

The board meets monthly- If you issues, ideas, or thoughts please ask April for the contact information

---

## Early Childhood Educators

