

Sliding into Summer 2014 at Kingston Day Care!

June-August 2014

Kingston Day Care's Dynamic Team:

St. Martha Child Care Centre

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Trillium Child Care Centre

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Collins Bay Child Care Centre

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Jessica N
Stephanie N
Stephanie S
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Christina S
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"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning."

—Mr. Rogers

Kingston Day Care Board of Directors, Managers, Supervisors

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Nicole Le Clair
Mark Rundle
Rebecca Welfare
Kate Spoljaric
Paul Elsley

Alison Lines, Executive Director
Laurie Burega, General Manager
Marcelina Lugo, St. Martha CCC Supervisor
Lisa Warwick, Collins Bay CCC Supervisor

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Kingston Day Care's Annual General Meeting

On Thursday, June 5, 2014, Kingston Day Care's Annual General Meeting and Family Dinner were held at Collins Bay Child Care Centre.

Special recognition was given to 3 departing Board Members, *Scott Stickles*, *Craig Pitts* and *Angela McKercher-Mortimer*, for their outstanding dedication and commitment to Kingston Day Care during their time on the Board.

Registered Early Childhood Educator, *Stephanie Sagriff*, was honored for her "5 Years of Outstanding Service" - big congrats to Stephanie!

Kingston Day Care is extremely fortunate to attract such amazing individuals and each and everyone of them are highly

regarded and valued.

A "Physical Activity Guidelines for the Early Years" presentation was featured during the evening, with a DVD called "Hands Up for Health and Physical Literacy" being shown along with a wonderful Child Yoga demonstration by 2 of Kingston Day Care's Registered Early Childhood Educators, *Devon* and *Christina*.

Staff turn out was commendable and the evening was enjoyed by all families and staff in attendance.



Greetings from the Executive Director



This has been a very exciting year at Kingston Day Care - there has been so much happening! One of my personal favorites was the introduction and implementation of the Play Based Programming at each of our locations. It has been a wonderful experience to watch and witness staff and children blossoming as a result. We are truly fortunate to have such a dedicated and dynamic team of educators, supervisors and managers. You can literally feel the care, the compassion and the energy as you enter each site.

We are very excited to

let you know that Kingston Day Care is growing! We were chosen to be the Third Party Operator to provide "Extended Day Programs" (JK/SK) and "Before & After School Programs" (6-12yrs) at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School. We look forward to partnering with the school and their Early Learning Team to provide a seamless day for these children. Programs will commence in September 2014.

I am very pleased to let you know that my contract with Kingston Day Care has been extended for an additional year! It has been a pleasure to

be a part of this organization and so I truly look forward to the year ahead!

Sincerely,

Alison Lines



Busy bees at Trillium Child Care Centre

All of the infants are now walking and enjoy exploring both indoors and outdoors! They love chasing bubbles and playing peek-a boo through the outdoor playhouse windows!

The toddlers are all about counting and find time to practice wherever they can! They love counting the toys in the room and even the elevator floors during that transition time. As always they continue to be mini-

artists, creating wonderful masterpieces with glue, paint, markers and bingo dabbers.

The preschoolers have been exploring the "Bug World" both inside and outside; finding worms and insects outdoors is very exciting for the children and they love to learn about how they move and what they eat. Many of the children will be entering school in the Fall so we have been reinforcing all of the self-help skills, including daily routines in the bathroom and coatroom areas.

Trillium CCC staff, as a team, have been working together to start to transform our outdoor play area into the same wonderful play-based learning environment that our indoor play area offers. Many projects are in the works, and with the help of the children will include wind chimes music stations, beautiful gardens and dramatic play areas. Please stay tuned... Devon C



Soaking up Summer at St. Martha Child Care Centre

The infant, toddler and preschool programs are very excited to be bringing many of our daily activities outdoors! Art experiences, such as painting with water, experimenting with bubbles and their sizes, and participating in nature walks are all on our agenda. We

are all looking forward to water play, sprinkler fun and beach themed days.

As always, we would appreciate it if our families would help us to protect the children in our care by providing sunscreen, sun hats and spare clothing for water and outdoor fun!

This season, our School Age Summer Program offers many adventurous field trips for the children; these include trips to the Water Park, Wood Working Museum, Sheep Dog Trials and Putt 'n Blast. Such fun this summer!

Katy S and Becky C



Happy and Healthy at Collins Bay Child Care

The preschool room has been buzzing with Spring energy. As the grass turns green and the flowers begin to bloom, the children have been enjoying many new and exciting play-based experiences. Once a month we have been incorporating a "Nutritional Body

Break" into our program. The children love to mix, knead, mold and create a part of their snack for the day.

We hope our parents have enjoyed seeing the process through our photo documentation and have had as

much fun trying out the recipes at home as we have had here at the child care center!

Stephanie N and Stephanie S.



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Kingston Day Care staff members have been actively pursuing many valuable training & development opportunities to expand their professional skills and knowledge as early childhood educators. Training sessions recently attended include:

- *Behavior Management Strategies for Challenging Behaviors
- *1,2,3 ~ All About Gross Motor and Fine Motor
- *Good Beginnings; Healthy Menu Planning, Health & Fitness
- *ABCs of Autism
- *First Aid and CPR
- *Don't Wait Until They Can Talk
- *Occupational Health and Safety Awareness
- *Annual WHMIS training

Well done everyone!

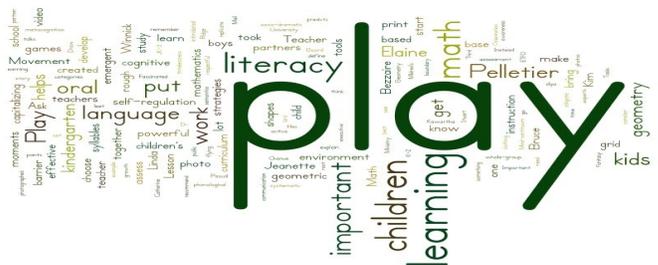
Holiday Closures

Kingston Day Care will be closed on:

Tuesday, July 1/14 - **Canada Day**

Monday, August 4/14 - **Civic Holiday**

Monday, September 1/14 - **Labor Day**



****Important Reminder:**

Please be sure to sign your child in and out every single day ~ this is a Ministry regulation that Kingston Day Care must comply with.

Thank you for your support with this very important matter.