

Daycare Report: November 20, 2018:

Staffing:

Ms. Jenna came back to her position as daycare educator this past Monday and is now working with a class during lunch programs and also in the afternoons with a group of students. Rose Di Iorio continues to be on light duty in the afternoons and is extremely helpful answering the door, greeting the parents and helping out during the Wednesday Sportball activity and Thursday Karate activity. We also have two of our integration aides who have been helping us during our lunch periods.

Training & Workshops:

We have a daycare workshop coming up this Thursday November 22nd at our school with the Senior school, it is our fourth workshop in the 6 part workshop of My Daycare is Physically Active. This program focuses on using our lunch periods, afternoons and transition times with movement breaks built into each time frame so that children have the opportunity to move throughout their day.

I will be attending the Association Quebecoise de la Garde Scolaire for daycare technicians this coming Friday November 23rd in Longueuil. It is an all day conference with guest speakers and workshops throughout the day.

Administration:

This year we have 88 declared students registered in our daycare services. Some of our students added their daycare services after the declaration date and unfortunately we did not qualify for government funding for those students as they attended after the September 30th date.

We had our second pedagogical day on October 17th and it was Halloween themed. It went well as the children were able to decorate their own pumpkins and take them home at the end of the day.

We have two more ped days coming up next Thursday November 29th and it will be an in-house ped day with Everblast coming in to provide games and activities of "electro-tag" in the gym. We also created a superhero theme around the day so children can wear their costumes for a small period during the day.

Our second ped day will be next Friday November 30th, it will be an in-house ped day and it will be our pyjama & breakfast lunch day. Usually our lunch supervisors do not come in on ped days however, they will be the ones preparing the pancake lunches for all the students.

Morning Programs:

BOKS will not resume this session, however we are looking to book a training for all daycare staff to be comfortable running BOKS programs so that we can start in the new year in the mornings and also have sessions possibly run during lunch programming.

Lunch Programs:

Chartwells is now running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. We continue to remind parents that should their child be absent that they are able to cancel their order online before 7:00am on the same day (this is a new service as it was not offered last year). Teacher led activities have been very successful and the children enjoy their activities.

After School:

Our after school program has a routine Mondays to Thursdays with children going outdoors first followed by snack and then an activity. Activities rotate each week from arts & crafts, to gym sports/games, computer time and free play in the daycare room (*foose ball*, barbie house, board games, etc). On Fridays we have different choices available such as; outdoors, free play daycare rooms, computers and gym. The educators will choose each Friday which activity they will be in for the activity period. We will have movies on Fridays once a month (if we cannot go outside, due to weather).

After the activity we have a built in movement break for the children to get their energy out. *Homework Program* times will not be offered anymore as many students were completing homework that was meant for different days, or they needed more support than we could give them with our ratios of 1:20 with kindergarten students present as well. Since taking this decision, the children seem to be more content and less stressed during that period.