December 2017

R&S Out of School Care Inc.

Fully accredited



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Dear Parents,

Tis the season! Happy December wonderful families of R&S, we hope you had an awesome November and you're ready for all the joy December has to bring! Please ensure you are sending your children to school with the appropriate winter gear to keep them warm!

General News

IMPORTANT: New Board of Health Requirements

Alberta Health Services now asks that childcare centres document all child illnesses, even if the child is at home. What this means for R&S is that if you contact us saying your child will not be attending R&S, we will now need to know why. If it is due to illness (diarrhea, vomiting, fever, cough etc.) we must document it so please work with us and let us know if the reason for your child/children's absence is related to an illness.

Special Thank-You to Patty and Natalie Hayes

We are so grateful to Patty and Natalie for donating Natalie's wonderful kitchen set complete with mock food and dishes to R&S! The children have been playing with it non-stop since its arrival, we have numerous aspiring chefs thanks to your generous donation! Thank you so much!

MLA Richard Feehan Visit

We are pleased to host MLA and Minister of Indigenous Relations Richard Feehan on December 8th to chat with parents regarding any questions or concerns we may have concerning our provincial government. He will be available to parents in the afternoon during pick-up time (3:45 – 5:00), so please feel free to drop by and enjoy a cup of coffee with him as you pick up your child(ren)!

Pottery Making on December 7th

We are so excited to welcome back Carla Bate, high school art teacher at J. Percy Page who just so happens to be Rox's daughter! On Thursday, December 7th in the afternoon, Carla will be leading a pottery session with the kids. Be sure to keep an eye out for their wonderful creations!

R&S Christmas Concert

Our annual child-directed Christmas Concert will be held on December 15 at 6:00 PM in the church. For those of you who don't know, every year at Christmas, R&S hosts a concert displaying the amazing talent of the children in our centre. The concert is directed and run completely by the children, allowing our students to gain some leadership experience. Children are encouraged to partake in the concert, and they may perform whatever they like. In the past we have had everything from stand-up comedy to father-daughter duets to dance routines. Following the concert there will be a potluck dinner, keep an eye out for the potluck sign-up sheet at the front entrance!

2017/2018 School Year Fees

The monthly fee for the 2017/18 school year is \$480, due on the first day of each month.

NOTE: We accept e-transfer! Please contact Roxanne for more information if you would like to pay for your child's fees via e-transfer.

Upcoming Dates of Closure

Mark these upcoming dates on your calendar! R&S will be **closed** on the following dates:

December 25th – January 1st (Christmas + New Years Break)

We will be **open** January 2nd to 5th in the New Year during winter break!

Special Celebrations

Birthdays of the month

11: Callie G.

11: Nico G.

11: Soraya F.

12: Serena F.

21: Naomi S.

Cultural Celebrations

December 12-20: Hanukkah

December 25: Christmas Day

December 26-January 1: Kwanzaa

January 1[:] New Years Day

Would you like to suggest an activity for R&S for the following month?

At R&S, parental involvement in our program is of utmost priority. This is an area in whice you and your children can suggest any activities, games, crafts, celebrations, or snack for R&S! You may also express any questions or concerns. Using this detachable area cour monthly newsletter is completely voluntary. We value all feedback and suggestion we receive. Thank you!	<s of</s