

**November 2018**

# R&S Out of School Care Inc.

**Fully accredited**



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## Dear Parents,

Can you believe it's already November! We're only two months away from the New Year! Please take a few minutes out of your month to pay some respect to the Canadian soldiers who have died fighting for Canada's freedom, Lest We Forget☸. Just a reminder that with the weather getting colder and colder by the day, we ask that you please send warm clothing with your children!

## Christmas Concert

It's finally that time of the year! The annual R&S Christmas concert! It will be on December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Dayspring Church. It is optional so if your child(ren) would like to participate please contact Rox about the details.

## Parent Meeting

We would like to thank everyone who was able to attend our October parent meeting on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Your attendance was greatly appreciated.

## Donations needed

R&S is looking to add 2 new prop boxes (Loose Parts & Light) for the children to diversify their play experience. One of our awesome parents, Christine Williamson, suggested we reach out to you for donations before we go out to purchase these items. We are in search of light sources as well as loose parts. We will accept any light sources such as twinkle/Christmas lights, reflection & refraction mirrors, white sheets to create shadows, flash lights, lasers etc. As well as loose parts such as, buttons, toilet paper rolls, thread spools, bottle caps, bread tabs - in general anything that the kids can be creative with!

## General News

### Would You Like to be a Guest Speaker?

In the past, we have been delighted to have had wonderful R&S family members such as Monica Savoie come in and inspire the children as they speak about their careers. If you or your partner

would like to come in and give a talk or lead an activity with the R&S kids about what you do, please don't hesitate to reach out to Roxanne to do so!

### Thank you to Claire Kjeld

We would like to say a huge thank you to Claire Kjeld for the wonderful presentation she gave on October 12<sup>th</sup> about her job as a dietician! The kids had a wonderful time learning about all the ways to stay healthy and have a good diet! They especially loved the smoothies!

### Upcoming Special Presentation

We are also very excited to announce that our guest speaker for November will be Rene Abaunza! Rene has very generously volunteered to come to R&S on November 19<sup>th</sup> and play a variety of beautiful South American percussion instruments! We can't wait to learn more about the beautiful continent that is South America!

### No Care Required

In an effort to be as safe and efficient as possible, we ask that parents call the centre at least half an hour prior to the dismissal of their child(ren) to let us know that their child will not need to be picked up from school that day. If you leave a voice message, please include the date. We prefer that parents text us because we can reply so they know we got their message, and it is more efficient. A fee of \$25 will be charged if you fail to notify R&S of your child's absences.

### Update Files

With the new school year starting, there might be changes to phone numbers, addresses, etc. In order to keep your child safe, healthy and happy it is important that you keep your child's file up to date. Please notify any staff member should you have any changes that need to be made to your child's file (address, phone number, emergency contacts, allergy info, etc.). It is a licensing requirement that we have the most current information on file.

### Morning Snack

Our morning snack is served between 7:00am – 7:50am. If you would like your child to have **morning snack**, please make sure they are at the centre **before 7:50am** as we will be closing the kitchen at that time to get ready for walks.

### 2018/2019 School Year Fees

**The monthly fee for the 2018/19 school year is \$490, due on the first day of each month.**

**NOTE:** We do accept e-transfer at [roxanneplischke@gmail.com](mailto:roxanneplischke@gmail.com)

### Christmas Shopping

The Presbyterian Dayspring church is offering a one day daycare service for any parents who need to go Christmas shopping! It will be on Saturday, the 8<sup>th</sup> of December from 9am-4pm for \$20/child. If you're interested, see Rox for the registration forms.

## Upcoming Dates of Closure

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

- November 12<sup>th</sup> (Remembrance day)

R&S will be **open** for the following Edmonton public non-instructional days and PD day for the following dates, if you do require child care on these days there will be a form to sign at the front desk.

- November 26<sup>th</sup>
- Christmas closure

## Special Celebrations

### Birthdays of the month

- Solana T. (Nov 1)
- Kayla P. (Nov 4)
- Abla (Nov 8)
- Aoife P. (Nov 12)
- Sophia (Nov 12)
- Henry A. (Nov 15)
- Jocelyn K. (Nov. 22)
- Peter S. (Nov 25)

### Cultural Celebrations

**November 1:** All Saints Day

**November 2:** All Souls Day

**November 7:** Diwali

**November 21:** Eid Milad Un Nab

## Superstars of the Month

### ★ Neve Veljkovic-Nychka ★

Meet one of this month's superstars, Neve Veljkovic-Nychka! Neve is a real role model here at R&S, ask any of the kids at R&S, not to mention he's always ready to help out the staff when the help is needed! When Neve grows up she wants to be a Mayor— Which is so ready to step in and lead the group! Her favourite thing about R&S is spending time with her friends and her favourite TV show is "Modern Family".

"Neve is caring and loving" –Aoife

### ★ Aoife Peters ★

Meet our other superstar of the month, Aoife Peters! Aoife is one of the most cheerful people you'll ever meet and always so happy. Her favourite TV shows is "Game Shakers" and her favourite movie is "Descendants" – love it! When Aoife grows up she'd love to be a Veterinarian and work with animals! And her favourite memory at R&S was her first day here when she got to sit on Roxy's lap- AWE!

"Aoife has the kindest heart" -Rox

## Meet the new Staff

We're so thrilled to have another new staff join our team this year! You might've heard the kids talking about how awesome she is and now we would like to properly introduce you to our new staff, Lidya Abebe!

Hi my name is Lidya Abebe and I am a new staff here at R&S! I'm originally from Ethiopia and I moved to Edmonton, Canada 10 years ago. I also have two children, Ednah and Elkanah and Ednah is now going to R&S! Both Ednah and I are so excited to be a part of the R&S family and can't wait to meet all the parents and kids!



## 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 which you and your children can suggest any activities, games, crafts, celebrations, or snacks for R&S! You may also express any questions or concerns. Using this detachable area of our monthly newsletter is completely voluntary. We value all feedback and suggestions we receive. Thank you!

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