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R&S Out of School Care Inc.

Fully accredited



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic summer filled with sunshine, adventure and relaxation. Here at R&S we had an amazing summer of games, crafts and super fun field trips!

General News

A BIG Thank You

R&S would like to thank our families for donating their time and involvement so much throughout the summer. To all of our volunteers that either donated their time coming on field trips, or giving special presentations, we appreciated it greatly!

R&S Bake Sale update

As you may know the children at R&S had a bake sale this summer on August 27th, 2019 to raise awareness for juvenile arthritis and WOW are we proud of them. After weeks of baking at R&S with the staff as well as those who took the time to bake something at home to bring we now have the total amount raised and after counting and more counting the kids at R&S Out of School care raised.... **\$529.75!!** We are so incredibly proud of the kids and thankful for having the best of the best! A huge thank you to the parents who stopped by, donated and even helped their children bake at home, we couldn't have done it without you guys.

Summer 2020 Questionnaire

If you have not filled out the summer 2020 short questionnaire please let one of the staff know and we will grab you a sheet, it would be very much appreciated!

Dear Abia (A Sad Farewell)

This year is a year I know all the staff and children at R&S were not looking forward to, because this year we will be saying goodbye to Abia as she completes her last practicum and semester at university and off to the real world and I couldn't be more proud, because I know she will do

amazing things, as a person as well as a teacher. Abba was like a shining light at R&S and never failed to make anyone she talked to smile, staff, children and the people at church included. We will all miss you so so much but we know you'll be visiting soon and we are already looking forward to those visits.

–Rox and the staff at R&S

No Care Required

In an effort to be as safe and efficient as possible, we ask that parents call the centre as soon as they know their child will not need to be picked up from school that day or will not be dropped off in the morning. 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.

Attendance

Please remember to sign your child out at the end of each day. Attendance clipboards are placed on the table by the front door. At the end of each week (or on the last day your child will be attending that week), please sign in the designated area to confirm your child's attendance for that week is accurate. This is a licensing requirement.

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.

Indoor Shoes

Please ensure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes here at R&S. We have a large indoor shoe rack where their shoes may be stored. If your child has indoor shoes from the summer that may be too small now, please check the rack and replace them as soon as possible!

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.

Catholic Schools:

For those of you who have **early Thursday dismissal**, **please do not send heat up lunches as the kitchen is busy with church staff at that time.** We will still be able to accommodate those with heat up lunches during non-school days/PD days.

2019/2020 School Year Fees

The first day of the 2019/2020 school year is **Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Fees starting in September will be \$500/month, due on the first day of each month.** R&S will be **closed** on the Labor Day Monday September 2nd, but ready for school on September 3!

Fees are payable by cash, cheque or e-transfer, the email to use for your e-transfers is **roxanneplischke@gmail.com**

Upcoming Dates to Remember

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

- October 14- Thanksgiving
- September 2- Labor day

R&S will be **open** for the following PD Days and breaks:

Edmonton Public:

- September 23rd
- October 25th

Special Celebrations

Birthdays

- Ellis B. (Sept 27)

Cultural Celebrations

September 2- Labour Day

September 1- Islamic New Year

New Amazing Staff at R&S!

We would like to introduce two of our new staff Alex Persoon and Patience McCurdy to the R&S family! They have been training for the month of August and so they might not have had the chance to greet you yet but when they do I can guarantee they'll greet you with huge smiles on their faces because that's just how great they are. Fun Fact! Both Alex and Patience went to R&S and now they're working here and they're more than excited to be the staff instead of the kids here and adapting to the new changes since the time they were here. We will be updating our profile soon with a bio and picture for both Alex and Patience to familiarize yourself with them as well!



(Patience on the bottom right and Alex on the bottom left)

Superstar of the Month

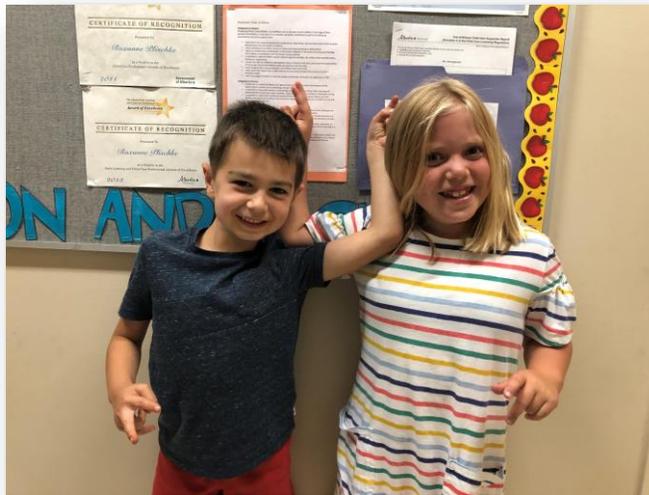
★ Sienna Cudmore ★

Meet one of this month's superstars, Sienna Cudmore! Sienna is one of our newest recruits to the R&S family and we couldn't be happier to have her! Her favourite book is curious George and her favourite show is paw patrol. Her favourite movie is Tangled and she loves the colour Turquoise! When she grows up she wants to be either a veterinarian or babysitter— you go girl!

Superstar of the Month

★ James Wurtak ★

Meet our other superstar this month, James Wurtak! James is also one of our new kids and he's already left a mark in our hearts just like the other kids. James's favourite movie is Wall-e and we can't blame him, it was an amazing movie and his favourite book series is the Harry Potter series. His favourite colour is, you guessed it, red, and when James grows up he'd love to go to California.



James and Sienna being the adorable people they are aweee!

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!
