

# Melfort Daycare Co-operative



November 2023 Newsletter

## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Colder weather is upon us and unfortunately, it looks like it's here to stay. Although we aren't loving the change in weather, we know the children have been very excited every time they see the snow coming down.

We have really been enjoying seeing all the fun and creative ideas the staff have been coming up with for the children in their rooms and we especially loved seeing everyone's Halloween costumes!

We would like to thank everyone for their support during our Ogies Perogies fundraiser and for those who came and gave the management team a helping hand in sorting! We also want to thank everyone for being so welcoming to Kay and so patient as we learn new routines and new faces!

- Kay and Jamie

## CONNECT WITH US!



@MELFORTDAYCARE



MELFORT DAYCARE CO-OPERTIVE



WWW.MELFORTDAYCARECOOPERATIVE.COM



MELFORT.DAYCARE@SASKTEL.NET



SITE 1: (306) 752-5565

SITE 2: (306) 752-3220

SITE 3: (306) 921-6619

DIRECTOR'S CELL: (306) 921-9292

(CELL PHONE IS ON FROM 6:30AM - 6:30PM, M-F)

## BIRTHDAYS



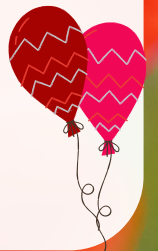
### SITE 1

Willow-2nd  
Julia N-6th

### SITE 2

### SITE 3

Nathan 17th



## IMPORTANT DATES




Closed November 10th for Remembrance Day

No school November 13th and 20th



# Melfort Daycare Co-operative


## REMINDERS

-  Please make sure your children have weather appropriate outdoor clothing so we can get outside as often as we can.
-  Please be sure to contact the daycare via Himama if your children won't be in.
-  There's been a lot of viruses around so please keep your children home if they are feeling unwell. If you have any questions about our current sick policy it is located on our website!

## SITE 1 NEWS

Everyone has settled into their new rooms and new routines; we have made new friends and are having a great time with our new teachers at Site 1. One of the things we have been working on is practicing using our spoon every day and not our fingers, everyone can now use their cup independently at the table. We have really enjoyed our outside play, we love going up and down the slides and using our gross motor skills to climb and run, we also love to dig and push the big dump trucks around.

During our inside play we've been exploring different sensory bins, oatmeal and water have been some of our favourites. We've also been doing lots of fall crafts, exploring using paint and glue.

 On October 31st we had our Halloween party filled with costumes, treats, dancing and Halloween-themed sensory bins.

We also plan to continue our outside play and would like to ask that parents make sure their children have winter boots, mitts, toques and even ski pants.



We also just want to remind our families of our meal times at Site 1


Morning snack: 9 am

Lunch: 12 pm

Afternoon snack: 2:45 pm

Evening snack: 5:30 pm

- Jenn D, Margaret, & Megan

 We were busy getting ready for Halloween, so we had bats, skeletons, spiders, and ghosts hanging around downstairs. Perler beads have been popular this month and there are no signs of it slowing down any time soon. We made tube walls to build forts with and have been busy painting pumpkins, blowing bubbles with slime and participating in show and tell. Everyone has been enjoying the coloring books that were donated and our new tables and chairs have been just awesome.

Some things we are currently working on is cleaning up after play, our manners at the table, writing our names and cutting out shapes. Next month we will be doing science!

- Karen, Kennedy, & Swathi





# Melfort Daycare Co-operative

## SITE 2 NEWS

In the infant room, we have been practicing sign language, working on sharing and playing together. We have started learning a letter, number, shape and colour per week and basing our weekly activities on these plans. We've done things like apple stamping, made bees, mixed and played with colours, and did stamping with dinosaurs.



We've also been working on our gross motor skills climbing the foam shapes in the room, as well as climbing and running outside. We've been working on our fine motor skills by painting and holding different items in our fingers. Our room is always a busy place but we have lots of fun together!

- Kim & Daphne

For the past month the transition room has been busy doing different crafts some of our favourites have included: painting with tinfoil, coffee filter ghosts, painting pumpkins and eyeball sensory bags. We have had a lot of fun with Halloween and even had a special Halloween movie day as part of our Halloween party. Next month we are looking forward to our Remembrance Day crafts. We've also been spending a lot of time outside and enjoying the nice fall weather!



- Sam and Tina

The toddler room has been doing many different crafts throughout the month. We've tried corn painting with Lego blocks, magic handprints, paper towel roll bubble pumpkins and Q-tip skeletons. We have been playing lots outside enjoying the nice weather, climbing, sliding, jumping and looking for ladybugs. The toddlers are very interested in the fish in the room they like watching them swim and watching for new babies, they also enjoy searching for the snail in the tank.



- Jenn P and Jackie

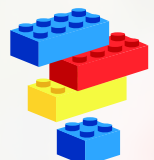
In our Pre-K group, we have been super busy at play and making lots of fall art. We were so excited for Halloween to arrive and we often talked about what our costumes were going to be this year. We are working hard on our independence in dressing ourselves for outside play and the kids get so excited when they complete the task by themselves! They also have great manners and helping hands. We have been spending lots of time outside for fresh air and exercise, the children love to build sandcastles and kick soccer balls together.



- Bonny

## SITE 3 NEWS

We've been adjusting to a new space and new routines for the past few months and everyone has been busy with school and extra-curricular schedules. We've been spending time outside and building with Legos, playing with our new Barbies and the Barbie house. We've also enjoyed playing UNO together on days when our group is a bit smaller. Our school age group is not currently at capacity and we do have some open spaces if you know of anyone who needs a spot for before and after-school care please refer them to Kay or Jamie!



- Sera, Kennedy, Swathi & Princess

