

SEPTEMBER 2023

NURSERY NEWS

★ WELCOME TO NURSERY SCHOOL...

We hope you have all enjoyed your summer! We are pleased to be back and are excited to start a brand new school year! We cannot wait to get back in the classroom with our students!

During the week of September 11th-15th your child will have completed one of the most important steps in his/her life - the first day of nursery school! We know that you and your child have met this day with both excitement and hesitation and we hope that this newsletter will ease any concerns that you may have. Thank you for embarking on this journey with us! Now let's get this year started!

* Parent/Teacher Relationship

We believe that a good parent/teacher relationship is a necessary component to achieve maximum program success. Throughout the year we will communicate with you through newsletters, conversation and through the Fastoche app.

If you have any other concerns you may speak to one of the teachers after class, contact us through Fastoche or you may contact our chairperson. Thank you for your co-operation!

***** Calming Those First Day of School Nerves...

As we all know the first day, week, even month of school can be a little nerve-wracking for us as parents but especially for our littles! Here is a helpful tip on how to calm some of those first day jitters:

 Have your child bring in a small family picture or a small item from home to keep in their pocket as a transition item.

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As the days and weeks go by we will slowly transition them from carrying the item to leaving it in their supply box to look at as they need it, to keeping it in their backpack in the hallway to eventually one day not needing the item at all!

We know that not every child will need a transition item but for some this is very helpful and we want to be sure that school is a positive and fun experience for your child.

And please remember during this first week and throughout the year ALL feelings are OK in our classroom.

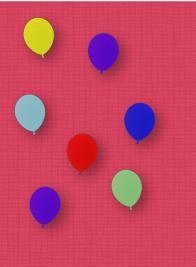
\star What to Bring to Class

Clothing

Everyday your child will have the opportunity to paint, play in the sand, glue, cut and draw. They will also go to the gym and play outside which may require them to roll up their sleeves and get messy. Please send your child in clothing that is clean and comfortable, but also clothing that can get dirty. The nursery school experience is about "experiencing" activities such as paint, sand, and glue without worries.

Footwear

Since outdoor time and the gym are a regular part of our day, please be sure your child is wearing appropriate shoes. Dress shoes, laces and sandals can be hazardous. Velcro runners are the best and easiest for children to take on and off themselves and are preferred. The fire regulation states that all children must have footwear on at all times. In the winter, boots are not allowed in the





school, classroom or gym; therefore, it is very important to remember to always pack your child's indoor shoes. From time to time, the children do remove their footwear. It is important that all footwear is clearly labelled with your child's name, for easy identification.

• Toys

Please leave all of your child's toys at home. A small transition item that can fit in their pocket or can be left in their supply box until the end of class is fine, otherwise, all other toys should be left at home so that children do not lose their special toys at school.

\star Meet the Teacher Evening

Please come and meet our wonderful teachers and tour the classroom the evening of September 7th:

- MWF AM Class: 5:45 6:05 pm
- TTH AM Class: 6:10 6:30 pm
- MWF PM Class: 6:35 6:55 pm
- TTH PM Class: 7:00 7:20 pm

* Save The Date for Picture Day!

Class photos will be taken:

Tuesday/Thursday Classes: October 5th

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Classes: October 6th

More details on this will be sent out later in the month.

MEET THE TEACHERS

MEET OUR WONDERFUL TEACHERS!

\star Miss Darcy

My name is Darcy Davies. I am a mother of 5 amazing children and 10 fabulous grandchildren. I am the Director of River East Scholar's Nursery School. I have been with RESNS for over 20 years. I have been in the field of



Early Childhood Education for over 30 years. First as a CCA, and then in 2012, I went back to school and acquired my ECE II. I truly believe that you never stop learning and this year I will be working towards my ECE III. It is my absolute honour and privilege, to help guide your child through their first preschool experience.

*** Miss Renee**

Hello! My name is Renee Savoie. I have been in the childcare field for 21 years. I am a college graduate and a ECE II. This is my 15th year working with the amazing teachers at RESNS and it is an honour to work, teach and learn alongside your amazing children.



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***** Miss Kristin

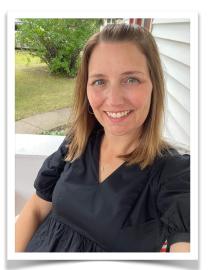
My name is Kristin Heiland-Bilodeau. I am a mom to three amazing kids! I am an ECE II and have been in the childcare field for 23 years. My family and I have been living in the USA and Ontario for the last few years and we are excited to



be back in Winnipeg! I look forward to meeting all the wonderful children attending the River East Scholars Nursery School.

* Welcome Kim Churchill!

River East Scholar's Nursery School is excited to announce that we will have a new member of our staff. Her name is Kim Churchill and she is a speech and language pathologist. Kim will be joining each class approximately 1 to 2 times per month to help us with strategies to increase the speech and language abilities of our students. We are excited to have Kim join our RESNS family!



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

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The RESNS Board of Directors would like to welcome new and returning families back for another exciting year of Nursery School and Kindercare! The teachers have an amazing year planned, and we look forward to sharing all the adventures with you!

***** Save The Date!

Please mark your calendars for our Annual General Meeting! The AGM will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 18th</u>, <u>2023</u> at 7pm at Emerson School. Further information will be made available closer to the date.

\star Interested in joining the Board?

As you prepare your child(ren) to join our classrooms for a new school year, we would also like to invite you to become more involved with RESNS. We are currently accepting nominations for the following Board positions for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Fundraising
- Special Events
- Member at Large

Please contact Cindy Frazer at <u>cindy.frazer@gmail.com</u>, if you would like more information on the available positions, or to submit your nomination for one of the above positions.

FUNDRAISING SPECIAL EVENTS

+ <u>FUNDRAISING</u>

Fundraising is an important part of most nursery school's finances. This year we've arranged for the Peak of the Market Fundraiser as hopefully our only fundraiser of the year. RESNS earns 50% of all orders placed. This fundraiser is done completely online. Orders can begin on September 1st and close October 8th at 9PM. Please see the website at <u>www.peakfarmtoschool.com</u>. An instruction page is included on the last page of this newsletter. Pick up for vegetables will be <u>October 18th</u> at Emerson School during our AGM. We hope that we can count on your support.

\star Check out Mabel's Labels

Don't forget to add labels to your back to school shopping. Go to <u>www.mabelslabels.ca</u> and select "River East Scholar's Nursery School" from the available fundraisers. With every purchase, RESNS receives a percentage of the profits!

★ SPECIAL EVENTS

Special events are a regular occurrence here at RESNS and we're excited for the upcoming year. As a general rule we have a guest visit our classroom every other month and try to go to a fun and enjoyable location on the off month. Note that a parent/guardian is required to attend the off-site events. RESNS will always cover the expense for the child to attend. Our first outing takes place in October. Stay tuned for all the details as October approaches!





SEPTEMBER CALENDAR



HOW TO CONTACT US

Text 204-690-0899

If you need to send us a message in regards to your child.

<u>Email</u>

- Miss Darcy at <u>Darcy@resns.fastoche.ca</u>
- Miss Renee at <u>Renee@resns.fastoche.ca</u>
- ▶Miss Mary at Mary@resns.fastoche.ca

Attendance

•Please text 204-690-0899 or email us if your child will be absent. Please include the word "absent" in your message and your child will automatically marked absent by the system and we will be alerted. This service is available 24/7.

Children's Information

•Please contact Miss Darcy for a code to update your child's information on Fastoche. (Codes for Fastoche will expire after 2 weeks.)



River East Scholars Nursery School

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HOW TO ORDER ONLINE



- Visit www.peakfarmtoschool.com and click on BUY A BUNDLE from the Menu. Hit CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE Select the quantity of the product and Add to Cart. Select Continue Shopping to add multiple bundle types. *Be sure to Update Cart to reflect changes to the quantity.
- Click on Continue to Check out when ready to pay. *If you wish to add items to your order simply select BUY A BUNDLE from the Menu.
- 3. Select the Province, and the School/Daycare/Organization you are ordering from. Enter the child/Student's name responsible for the order. *Or check as Community Order if you are not supporting a student and picking up your order from the school/daycare.
- 4. Enter **Billing** and **Payment Info**, once done click on **Review Order.** *If you wish to make any changes click **BUY A BUNDLE**, Add an item and you will be taken to the Cart where you can adjust your order and Update Cart.
- Review your order summary, Supporting and Billing and Payment Info. *If you need to make any changes at this point you can select **BUY A BUNDLE** and **Add to Cart** where you can adjust your order and proceed to make any other billing or payment info. **Place Order.**
- 6. You will see an **ORDER COMPLETE** screen with your order number and an email will be sent to you confirming your order details.

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