

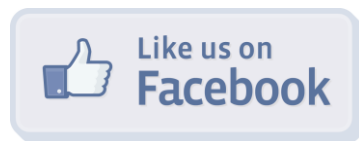


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Important Dates

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, June 20 @ 6:30pm

Community Kitchen

Community Kitchen is finished until Fall.

School Summer Closure

Wednesday, June 29th – School finishes at 11:30a.m.

Thursday, June 30th – School is closed

CLOSURE

Friday, July 1st Canada Day

Quadra Kids Summer Program

Begins on Thursday, June 30

Brochures will be available at the

Children's Centre and on our website on the 'School Age' page when it is complete.

We will email our Quadra Kids families when the brochure is done.

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, June 12th at 6pm



~June 2016 Newsletter~

Children's Centre Happenings

May was bustling with activity for us here at the Centre. We enjoyed finishing the process of creating special gifts with the children for Mother's Day. We hope these precious keepsakes brought joy to you as well. Along with Mother's Day, May also presented us with an opportunity to get creative with our monster theme that the children have been leading for several months. We incorporated these creatures into our annual Mayday float which excited the children and inspired many parents to come out and help decorate. In the end, this team effort led to a first prize win for our Mud Monster Invasion float; Way to go everyone! This does not mean we are done with the monsters. You may have noticed that they are back up on the wall as we wait to see where the children will lead us to next on this monstrous adventure.

Another new and exciting activity we experienced during May was raising butterflies. The children were very engrossed in watching this process. Regretfully, we were unable to release the butterflies during the Mayday celebrations as originally planned but we did have a lovely release at the Centre the following Monday. We look forward to doing it again next year in celebration of May being Child Care month.



As we move into June you will notice that the window in the kitchen room is slowly being covered with Ziplock bags as the children begin starting their beans. This process allows them to observe and record their observations on a chart promoting early literacy. We always look forward to the tasty treat of fresh beans to eat too!

The children have also begun working on another special creation for Father's Day. We would like to ask parents to help their kids find small natural treasures such as feathers, beach glass, pebbles, etc. to bring in and be used for this project.

With the warm weather upon us we would like to give a friendly reminder to be sure and pack a sun hat, summer shoes and a change of clothes with your children every day. Water play is very popular this time of year! As always, thank you for your dedicated support.

Quadra Kids News

Our program is very child directed and it is not often the children are told what to engage themselves with, however for Mother's Day they were directed to make a card and gift. It was amazing during the week prior to that special day to observe your children. When told what the expectation was they got right down to work and focused. At times you could hear a pin drop in the room as they created their gifts of love. It was obvious how much they love their Moms!

Our garden continues to grow despite the deer coming down the stairs and eating our tomato, sunflower and strawberry plants. We replanted and built a net gate to stop those darn deer. Our carrots are coming up along with the kale and cucumber plants. We can hardly wait to bake yummy kale chips.

The salmon and huckleberries are ready and the children are enjoying picking and eating them. They are also making flavored water with them in the mud kitchen where they add mint or other herbs from our garden to it then strain it for a delicious drink.

The back deck of the preschool building is very well used by Quadra Kids where they zoom around on the scooters and larger trikes. There is always lots of screeching and laughter coming from this play.

Our new sand pit with the water hose engages the children as they experiment with the flow of water, redirecting it through pipes and having it burst through piles of sand. If you have any plastic pipes laying around that you don't need we would love to have them.

We would love to get our small pond which is located at the end of deck back-up and running. If you have any knowledge and/or experience with pumps and ponds and would like to help us out please speak with Dee. You will receive parent participation hours to get it working again.



Annual General Meeting

Sunday, June 12th @ 6p.m.
Mark this date on your calendar!

We really go all out promoting this evening, as it is not only a great opportunity for us to gather as a group and enjoy a meal together, it is absolutely essential to our Centre's financial well-being!

The slideshow always is a highlight as it gives the parents a peek at the children's daily activities in both programs. Please join us!

Garage Sale Results

Our gratitude goes out to all of the participants of this year's Garage Sale! Our Board of Directors, parents, teachers and community members all played a part in making this a successful fundraiser. We raised \$1900 which will go directly to our operational costs.

Firewood Workbee

On **Sunday, June 26th from 10-12** we are having a firewood and trail clearing workbee in our upper playground. There will be rounds cut ahead of time so we will be bucking up the rounds and loading our wood sheds. We will also need some trail clearers, the bush will be cut back for us to remove. Bring your gloves and axe if you own one. Please sign up on the sheet posted in the program's foyers and you will receive participation hours for this job.

Summer Enrollment

Your July enrollment form is due on Monday, June 20th however we would appreciate your summer enrollment needs as soon as possible. If your child is not attending during the summer please let us know this ASAP. Thank you.

Welcome to...

- Silas and Blaise Simpson and Family
- Eamon Snowdon and Family

**Thank you for sharing your children with us~
Dee, Barbara, Lise, Cally, Jody, Pam, Cathy,
Ramona, Monica and Sue.**