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MARCH 2022

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Spring Break - NO SCHOOL MARCH 28 - APRIL 1						
03	04	05	06	07	08	09



The following families are scheduled to work in March:

CLASSROOM CLEANING:

**HALABI (JOY) // KWON // LEE //
LOWEN // NAIDOO // SALAYSAY //
SANDHU**

BINGO:

**LEE (2) // PADUA (2) // SCHWIRTZ (2)
// TILAHUN (1) // VIDDAL
(2)//NAIDOO (1)**



IMPORTANT DATES

- No School – Mar. 3rd & 4th
- Classroom Cleaning – Mar. 7th
- Dynamyx Gym – Mar. 11th
- Gym Day – Mar. 24th
- Bingo – Mar. 19th

LOOK OUT FOR NEXT MONTH...

- Classroom Cleaning – Apr. 4th
- Graduation Photos – Apr. 6th
- Puppet Tree House – Apr. 14th
- Easter Break – Apr. 15th – April 18th



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



As a privately operated pre-school and kindergarten program, we rely on enrolment to do what we do. Registration for September is going fairly well. There are still several spots to fill. If you know any families who may be interested in joining LCDS for September, please encourage them to come check us out! Word of mouth is our best form of advertising.

Thank you again to our dedicated staff members for everything they are doing to keep our school community safe! We appreciate all your hard work! Thank you to our members for continuing to follow the AHS guidelines so our children can come to school safely! As restrictions are lifted, we will be monitoring the hospitalization numbers and will be reviewing our COVID protocols as things change. We have a lot of decisions to make. We value our members input towards future changes, please send your feedback to the school office and we will take your input into account when we begin making decisions for changes to the protocols. Thank you again for your cooperation over the past two years.

March is multicultural month in our classroom; please see Ms. Michell's teacher report for more information for the fun month ahead.

JOIN THE LCDS BOARD

It appears we will have vacancies to fill on our Board of Directors next year. The Board plays an essential role, providing support and oversight of LCDS staff and programs – and helps out with events, fundraising and the promotion of our program. While the Annual General Meeting and Board election is not until May, now is a great time to begin looking into positions. You can start by attending the next board meeting to see what we do. Without a strong board, this program cannot function. It has been a great experience, and we strongly recommend getting involved! The time commitment is quite manageable, and it is your opportunity to make an impact on the program and help ensure its ongoing success.

Without our parent volunteers on the Board, a lot of extra responsibility falls back on our Executive Director and Staff Members which ultimately affects what they can do with our children. Speak with Ms. Shannon or a Board Member if you are interested in helping out!





SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

For those families whose children have summer birthdays, please let Ms. Shannon know to schedule your child's "Un-Birthday" for your child's next helping hand day in March, April or May.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS

- **Purdy's Easter Chocolate Campaign – Deadline March 6th**
– Catalogs and info in your child's mailboxes. Please share the information with your family and friends. It is also on our LCDS Preschool & Kindergarten Facebook page to share.
- **LCDS Walkathon - March 24th** – This is a fun fundraiser for the kids. Sponsors will be asked to pledge a donation based on how many laps of the gym each child does. **Pledge forms due Friday, March 18th.**
- **Spring Flower Fundraiser** – This is usually the final fundraiser of the year and is a great opportunity to order wonderful flowers for Mother's Day or your garden. More details to come in the upcoming month.
- **Possible online 50/50 Draw and prize raffle for Mother's Day.**



PURDY'S EASTER CHOCOLATE CAMPAIGN

Please help LCDS Preschool & Kindergarten raise funds for the school by ordering your Easter chocolates from our Purdy's Easter Chocolate Fundraising Event.

Parents should have received a catalog in their child's mailbox, and information by email.

25% of the chocolate sales come back to LCDS Preschool & Kindergarten.

Please place and pay for your orders by
Sunday, March 6th, 2022.

- Orders may be placed and paid for online or through the paper order form in the catalog and paid by cash or cheque to the office.
- Cheques made out to Londonderry Child Development Society.
- Orders will be available for **pick up** on **Monday, March 21st, 2022.**

Shop online: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx>

Enter the following campaign number: 38573 and click on
JOIN CAMPAIGN.



GYM DAY IN THE CLASSROOM - WALKATHON

We will have another in class Gym Day
on **Thursday, March 24th, 2022**

Please drop off and pick up your child at school at the following times:

AM Class: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

PM Class: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

**All children are welcome to attend even if Thursday
is not their regular day.**

- Please dress your child in loose comfortable clothing for stretching and exercise and tie long hair back.
- Please return your Walk-a-thon pledge forms and money to the school office by: **Friday, March 18th, 2022**
- Children who raise \$50.00 or more will receive an LCDS Water Bottle

We need a few volunteers to assist with cleaning the equipment. If you are able to spare some time in the morning to do this on **Wednesday, March 23rd, please sign up on the parent boards.





DYNAMYX GYMNASTICS

Friday, March 11th, 2022

AM CLASS: 9:15am - 10:30am

PM CLASS: 1:00pm – 2:15pm

Location: Dynamyx Gym- #110 - 175 Carleton Drive, St. Albert.

Please drop off and pick up your child at the Dynamyx Gym.

DO NOT ARRIVE MORE THAN 10 MINUTES EARLY!!

- All children must be in bare feet, dressed in t-shirts, shorts or sweats,
- Long hair must be tied back.
- No jeans, leotards, dresses, skirts or jewelry.
- Waiver must be completed before the field trip

SOME OF THE COVID REQUIREMENTS MAY HAVE CHANGED. WE WILL UPDATE EVERYONE BEFORE THE EVENT DAY.

- *Children should be masked upon entry and exit, but do not have to wear them while participating in activities.*
- *Adult teachers/volunteers should be masked for the entirety of their visit.*
- *We will check the children's temperatures at the gym as they arrive.*
- *They ask parents or caregivers who are not participating to not wait inside the gym for the end of class. Please feel free to leave and get a coffee. Exceptions will be made for those parents or caregivers who do not drive and will be waiting to be picked up.*
- *All children will need to have the online waiver signed by an adult*
- *All helping adults who are volunteering, will also need to fill out the waiver*



Waiver

AM Class:

<https://www.waiverfile.com/b/DynamyxGymnasticsClub/Waiver.aspx?id=4f26b29d-8aa6-43c0-a636-21d0c089ef7e>

PM Class:

<https://www.waiverfile.com/b/DynamyxGymnasticsClub/Waiver.aspx?id=1e6a9d8b-79da-4aee-8c39-e0a0dc9f8ef0>



TEACHER'S REPORT

MICHELL FUNG

The children had a wonderful time learning about Valentine's Day and friendship. The children discussed how to be a good friend. We talked about sharing, playing, helping others, listening, taking turns/waiting for a turn, being patient, showing a friendly face, and using kind words with their friends/family/teachers. The children loved making different Valentine's projects and passing out Valentine Cards to their friends and teachers.

A big thank you to all the families for the Valentine cards and gifts for all the staff and Sammy! We appreciate all your kindness and generosity.

Please sign up for the Class Dojo App if you have not done so yet. I send reminders for upcoming events, and post classroom photos and videos. It is also a faster form of communication if we need to send out an emergency message.

In February, the house was turned into a Grocery store. The children learned how to play the different roles in the grocery store with teacher assistance. They had a great time being the cashier, customer, and grocery clerks. They loved picking up groceries in their cart and baskets.

March is Multicultural Month. On your parent helper day, your child will be sharing a country with the class (Except for Field Trip & Gym days). Please look at the Snack Calendar for the country that has been assigned to your child and check your child's mailbox for a snack planning sheet. You are asked to make a poster with your child about the country assigned to your day to share what you have learned with the class.

OUR LEARNING

In **February**, the Kindergarten curriculum has focused on the alphabet letters **Bb, Rr, Kk, Aa, and Vv**.

In **March**, we will be looking at **Mm, Nn, and Ww**. Make looking for those letters a fun activity, whether you're reading a book or playing a letter matching game.

THEMES

Our current theme, farm, is **from February 15th - March 2nd, 2022**. The children will have a fun time learning about different farm animals and farm life.



TEACHER'S REPORT CONT'D

MICHELL FUNG

Your child can present their poster with Ms. Michell in the classroom, or you may record their poster presentation at home and save it to a USB stick and send it to school (with their poster) so we can share it at school. In case of technical difficulties, the backup plan will be to present their poster in the classroom. You can bring in some cultural artifacts or props as well. For Example: if your country is Ukraine, you might bring in a poster with some pictures of Ukrainian Dancers, an image of a Ukrainian Church, photos of Ukraine, a map, etc. Please add sentences about what you are talking about beside the pictures. Each day we will also have a project that relates to the country being studied.

Please refer to the poster instruction sheet in your child's mailbox if you have any questions or you can ask the teacher. Please practice going over the poster of the country with your children and help your children be less nervous.



On Friday, March 11th, 2022, we will meet at Dynamyx Gymnastics. Please check the newsletter and parent boards for times and more information. Please remember to log into the link and sign the waiver for your child and yourself if you will be assisting at the gymnastics field trip.

We have our annual **Walk-a thon** on **Thursday, March 24th, 2022**; the children will raise money by collecting donations for a **15 Min Walk-a-thon** at the beginning of Gym Day. This money will go towards new gym equipment, new furnishings, new toys and materials. The children will walk, run, hop and skip to music and they will receive a stamp each time they walk or move around the Gym. At the end of the gym class, they will get a medal and a pedometer. We will record a video of the award ceremony with your children receiving their medals and will post it on ClassDojo. Please see the information in your child's mailbox next week.



March 2022

Parent Helper Schedule (AM)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Snack	Parent's Choice	Fruit & Grains	Cheese & Grains	Vegetable & Grains	Sandwiches
Allergies & Restrictions	Eggs, Peanuts, Milk, Pork, Lard & Gelatin	Pork, Beef, Lard, Gelatin & Peanuts	Eggs, Peanuts, Milk, Pork, Lard & Gelatin	Pork, Beef, Lard, Gelatin & Peanuts	Eggs, Peanuts, Pork, Lard & Gelatin
Bring the Snack and a Beverage		Nolan ¹	Amelia ²	Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL ³	Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL ⁴
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Leo G. USA ⁷	Jiya EGYPT ⁸	Brady VENEZUELA ⁹	Yul PHILIPPINES ¹⁰	Josephine DYNAMYX GYM ¹¹
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Sophia CANADA ¹⁴	Rowan VIETNAM ¹⁵	Elisia CHINA ¹⁶	Hazel IRELAND ¹⁷	Stella AUSTRALIA ¹⁸
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Nicholas BARBADOS ²¹	Mathias ITALY ²²	Layla INDIA ²³	Yara GYM DAY Walk-a-thon ²⁴	Elizabella PUERTO RICO ²⁵
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ²⁸	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ²⁹	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ³⁰	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ³¹	

- Please take note of the allergies and restrictions for the day you are scheduled. **LCDS is a NUT FREE ZONE!!**
- On a regular day, please bring enough of the designated snack and beverage of your choice (1L) for 17 children.
- **Birthdays: Do Not Bring the scheduled snack**; please bring a Birthday Snack with some fresh fruit. A Birthday Snack may be nut free cupcakes (1 cupcake each, for 17 children) with fresh fruit or ice cream (Nut Free Chapman's Vanilla Ice Cream) with fresh fruit. Nut Free Muffins or Bear Paws also work. Please see the snack suggestion booklet for cupcake store brands. All cakes must come from a nut free bakery, no homemade cupcakes or birthday cakes please.
- **March 11th – DYNAMYX GYM** – Please bring an individually packaged snack for 23 children; no beverage.
- **March 24th – GYM DAY** – Please bring an individually packaged snack for 23 children; no beverage.

March 2022

Parent Helper Schedule (PM)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Snack	Parent's Choice	Fruit & Grains	Cheese & Grains	Vegetable & Grains	Sandwiches
Allergies & Restrictions	Pork, Lard & Gelatin,	Peanuts, Strawberries	Pork, Lard & Gelatin	Peanuts, Strawberries	Pork, Lard & Gelatin
Bring the Snack and a Beverage		Jasnaz ¹	Edvin (BIRTHDAY) ²	Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL ³	Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL ⁴
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Irena USA ⁷	Eliam (BIRTHDAY) EGYPT ⁸	Ezra VENEZUALA ⁹	Liam PHILIPPINES ¹⁰	Anthony DYNAMYX GYM ¹¹
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Madison CANADA ¹⁴	Mila & Ember VIETNAM ¹⁵	Summer CHINA ¹⁶	Leo IRELAND ¹⁷	Hawke & Blake AUSTRALIA ¹⁸
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	Asher BARBADOS ²¹	Kyra ITALY ²²	Charlotte INDIA ²³	Joy GYM DAY Walk-a-thon ²⁴	Sina PUERTO RICO ²⁵
Bring the Snack and a Beverage	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ²⁸	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ²⁹	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ³⁰	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL ³¹	

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- On a regular day, please bring enough of the designated snack and beverage of your choice (1L) for 17 children.
- **Birthdays: Do Not Bring the scheduled snack;** please bring a Birthday Snack with some fresh fruit. A Birthday Snack may be nut free cupcakes (1 cupcake each, for 17 children) with fresh fruit or ice cream (Nut Free Chapman's Vanilla Ice Cream) with fresh fruit. Nut Free Muffins or Bear Paws also work. Please see the snack suggestion booklet for cupcake store brands. All cakes must come from a nut free bakery, no homemade cupcakes or birthday cakes please.
- **March 11th – DYNAMYX GYM** – Please bring an individually packaged snack for 21 children; no beverage.
- **March 24th – GYM DAY** – Please bring an individually packaged snack for 21 children; no beverage.

GENERAL INFORMATION



CLEANING



Location: LCDS Classroom

Date: 1st Monday of each month

Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Emergency Contact: Summer Halabi, 780-834-8524

- Please inform LCDS at least **one week** in advance if you need to reschedule or hire someone in your place.
- Your deposit cheque **will be cashed** if you do not show up or do not make alternate arrangements.

BINGO



Location: Kensington Bingo Hall - 12538-132 Avenue

Time: 10:30 am – 4:00 pm

Emergency Contact:

Victoria Pellegrino, 780-982-9925, victoriaperelman@yahoo.ca

Holly Dinisyk, 780-999-1071, hudgood@gmail.com

- Please inform LCDS at least **one week** in advance if you need to reschedule or hire someone in your place.
- Your deposit cheque **will be cashed** if you do not show up or do not make alternate arrangements.

Kid's Corner



Supplies

- Floral Foam
- Rainbow colored pipe cleaners
- Rainbow colored beads



Directions

- Insert one side of the pipe cleaners into the floral foam.
- Insert beads on pipe cleaner.
- Once the pipe cleaner has beads, insert the other side of the pipe cleaner into the floral foam.
- Repeat for each layer of the rainbow.

