

# Treasure Our Young Ones Child Care Centre

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### September 2017 NEWSLETTER



#### WELCOME FRIENDS!

Busy. Busy. Busy! We are SO lucky to have so many new friends joining us! We have 7 new out of school care kids, 1 new baby, 2 new toddlers and 1 new 3 year old starting this month. We couldn't be happier! We would also like to extend a warm welcome to Sarah, our new teacher in the infant/toddler room and to Caroline, our new teacher in the out of school care room.

Happy! Happy! Joy! Joy! **WELCOME!!!!**

#### LICENSE CHANGE

This summer we applied to amend our child care license to add a multi age component to our program. We are pleased to announce that the application has been approved and we will be starting the multi-age room this September. Multi age has a maximum of 8 children (to one licensed ECE) and allows us to blend children from 0-12 years of age depending on theirs and their family's needs.

#### AVAILABILITY

Our Out of School Care Program is now **OPEN** and we do have a couple of spaces still available! We also have space in our 3-5 and our NEW! multi age room. Due to opening the new multi age room, we now have 2 spaces available in our Infant/Toddler Room. Please see Kristen for information or to register. Please feel free to pass this information on to your friends or family that may be looking for quality childcare. We will be holding orientations and open house for the new OSC Program on Friday, Sept, 1<sup>st</sup> from 2:00-4:30. Come on out and meet Caroline!



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#### RETURN-IT DONATION ACCOUNT

We now have an account at the bottle depot if you wish to donate your empties to our art supply fund. As a non-profit we are always looking for ways to help purchase supplies for the kiddo's consumption. Please use code "339" or tell them you are donating to "Treasure Our Young Ones Childcare Centre". Please be sure to let them know this is going on account BEFORE they start ringing it in, otherwise they will be unable to credit our account.

#### STAFF/SCHEDULE and CLASSROOM CHANGES

Due to the change in license to add multi-age and the addition of the out of school care program, we have had to make some changes. Some of the children will be moving into new rooms (we will speak with you first before making that move) and some of the teachers will be moving as well. The new teacher schedule is listed below:

Staff	Schedule	Room
Bree	8:00-5:00	Multi-age
Brianne	8:30-5:30	3-5
Sarah	8:00-5:00	Infant/Toddler
Lisa	9:00-6:00	Infant/Toddler
Kristen	7:30-4:30	Everywhere
Caroline	1:30-5:30	OSC

#### STAT HOLIDAY

Just a reminder we will be closed September 4<sup>th</sup> for Labour Day ☺

#### CONTACT NUMBERS

Trying to get hold of your child's teacher? Call the main number at 250-723-8281 and ask for the appropriate extension:

<b>Kristen</b>	Childcare Centre Office	270
<b>Lisa and Sarah</b>	Infant/Toddler Room	234
<b>Brianne</b>	3-5 Room	237
<b>Bree</b>	Multi age Room	235
<b>Caroline</b>	Out of School Care	233



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#### LANGUAGE NEST

Our Language Nest is gearing up again for September! We will once again be seeing our Nu-Chah-Nulth Immersion Language Nest happening every day. Welcome back to Julia Lucas as one of our amazing Elders-more Language Nest Team to be announced.

#### CLASSROOM VISITORS

It has been a busy summer with many of our community partners coming in to observe and work with our little friends. We have had several visits from the preschool speech pathologist and from observers from NTC Supported Childcare and we are now offering one on one support to some of our friends with higher needs. We are very fortunate to have such a supportive community that advocates for a bright start for our children.

#### CULTURAL CAMP AND OOWATIN SUMMER CAMP

Our Cultural Camp in August was a huge success and all of our teachers took turns spending the day helping out at Qualicum First Nations Campground. It was a ton of fun and we even saw some of our little friends there! The PAFC Oowatin Summer day camp for school age kids will be wrapping up this month-It has been nice having the summer students working in our centre!

#### ACTIVITIES

August was a quieter month with many of our friends on holidays and enjoying the sun. We felt a little bit like we were on holidays, too, with the smaller groups! We did tons of art in our classrooms! The kids in the 3-5 room made full body tracing mermaids with a ginormous amount of sparkle, shells and glitter—this project took a couple of weeks and was made with much love. Come on in to the 3-5 room and check out their wall, it's pretty awesome! The 3-5's also did sea foam fish paints and made fireworks pictures.

The kiddos in the I/T room made flowers and experienced cutting, gluing and using tape. There has been lots of painting, lots of dress up and as always, baby play. We played with playdough and are noticing the children are really interested in books at the moment. Our I/T room is changing quickly and some of our bigger kids are moving on to the bigger rooms, leaving the babies to follow in their footsteps.

We have had some super hot days and have been staying cool with the sprinklers and water table in the backyard, when we get the bubble machine going it's a summer paradise back there! ☺

