

Treasure Our Young Ones Child Care Centre

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August 2017 NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S NEW AND EXCITING??

Just a reminder that we are gearing up to open the **Out of School Care Program for September!** We are licensed for 10 children aged 5 to 12 years of age. Pick up afterschool (from local schools) will be available. We will also offer full day care for pro-d days and school holidays. Our OSC Club is going to be awesomely filled with school age appropriate fun activities, outings, friends and games. Please be sure to spread the word to any interested friends or family members--the spaces will go fast! Please note that **we DO have space in our 3-5 room** and **we do have one upcoming space available in our Infant/Toddler Room.**

STAFF CHANGES

On August 15th, Miss Chloe will be leaving us to return to school to complete her Infant/Toddler Diploma. She will be greatly missed. We do look forward to her return post-graduation next May! Her replacement in the Infant/Toddler Room will be Sarah-Dawn Seitcher. Sarah is a licensed ECE Infant/Toddler Educator who comes to us from Tseshaht Childcare Centre where she has been working with children 0-2 for the past 9 years. We are thrilled to have her--Welcome Sarah!

NEW LICE POLICY

Thank you to all our families and caregivers for being so amazing with our new lice policy. We will continue to screen the children regularly at school and will be sending home any affected little people for treatment. Please remember to do your own home screenings to avoid any surprises. If you require support around dealing with lice, please let us know and we will put you in touch with our Family Support Workers.

STAT HOLIDAY

Just a reminder we will be closed August 7th for BC Day and also on September 4th for Labour Day ☺



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LANGUAGE NEST

Our Language Nest has been quieter over the last month but we are still seeing our Elder, Julia every day. Julia spends time with the babies first thing in the mornings and then moves over to the 3-5 room for circle time and mid morning activities. Julia continues to present us with many valuable cultural teachings and shows the teachers and children much love and patience as we learn from her. Our Language Nest will be picking up full force again in the fall-stay tuned for more information!

COMMUNITY GARDEN

We've been taking daily trips down to the community garden to water, weed and snack on our bounty. We have been sampling some of our lettuces, berries and herbs and the children have developed ownership over their plot-they are thrilled when they see growth and equally worried when they see their plants not thriving. We have learned a lot about how to care for plants, what they need and we have learned that plants grow from seeds. The weeding is tricky though, and we have lost a few soliders due to over exuberance ☺. It is lovely to see the children caring for living things in such a patient and loving manner, these are important lessons and anything that gets kids in the dirt is a bonus!



An example of how we are using Nuu-Chah-Nulth in our classrooms

