

NEWSLETTER

FIRST ADVENTURE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

April 2018



CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT THAT AROUSES EACH CHILD'S CURIOSITY, BUILDS TRUST, ENCOURAGES FRIENDSHIPS & PUTS CHILDREN FIRST. PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY EARLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN.

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Georges Vanier Campus: 613-969-8316



Friday, April 13 is a PA day for all school aged children. If you are in need of full day programming for your school aged child, please contact Lori at 613-969-8316

Welcome Spring!!

As the weather continues to surprise us with all of the ups and downs in temperature and from white outs to rainstorms, just a reminder to make sure you send your child with outdoor clothing appropriate for the weather. Dressing your child in layers allows us the opportunity to shed what layers they don't need as the weather warms up.



Paint Night Fundraiser

First Adventure will be hosting a paint night fundraiser on Tuesday, May 8. Cost for the evening is \$50 and all equipment will be supplied.

The paint night will be taught by Margie Phieffer of "Just For Today; I AM Creative" and we will be painting the scene included to the right.

If you are interested in taking part please contact Mary Ellen in the office. Payment is due upon registration to hold your space and spots will be filled on a first come, first paid basis.



Spring cleaning time is here. We ask that while you are cleaning and organizing your home, you think of us. Anything you are going to get rid of, or don't need anymore, we would love to add it to our programs! Please look under the bed, in drawers, on the table, in the basement, in the kitchen, in the recycling bin, on the chair, in the living room, and outside!

"Have you ever noticed that if you leave old junk lying around, kids will almost inevitably play with it? Whether it be old cardboard boxes, wooden pallets, pieces of wood, old tires, bits of rope or string, kids will use their imagination and ingenuity to make something. This may make your garden look like a junkyard sometimes, but the experience for the kids is invaluable and it will keep them occupied for hours. Don't try and direct the kids in their play, just let them get on with it." (How Not To Cheat Children: The Theory of Loose Parts, 1971)

Here are some examples of things that we are looking for, but nothing is off limits:

- Metal things
- Ribbons
- Pipe cleaners
- Paper
- Cans
- Logs
- Clothes pins
- Paper towel rolls
- Felt
- Nuts and bolts
- Pop can tabs
- Yarn
- Q tips
- Plastic containers
- Golf tees
- Elastics
- Chop sticks
- Old CDs
- Seeds
- Washers
- Bottle lids
- Corks
- Small boxes
- Straws
- Shells
- Baskets
- Feathers
- Shaped blocks
- Coloured glass
- Fake flowers
- Pennies
- Beads
- Cotton balls
- Rocks
- Toothpicks
- Brushes
- Wooden cubes
- Small glass jars
- Strings
- Sand
- Buttons
- Baking supplies
- Sticks
- Bread clips
- Wire
- Foam
- Wooden disks

Thank you in advance for your contributions. In the spring we will be having a loose parts event where we will invite families to see what we can do with all their loose parts.

Please have your contributions to your educator before April 13th.



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SPACES AVAILABLE

Bridge St. Campus

April

Infant Program

Full

Toddler Program

1 part time space

Lower Level Preschool

1 part time space

Second Floor Preschool

Full & part time space

Georges Vanier Campus

Preschool Program

Full & Part time Spaces

Before and After School

Part time Spaces

First Adventure Parent Surveys

Thank you to all of the parents/families who took the time to complete our parent survey. At First Adventure we believe that what you have to say is important and so did 49% of our families as they completed our parent survey.

You suggested a door bell for the preschool program on 2nd floor at Bridge Street and now there is a door bell, so hopefully this will make it easier. You also told us that you preferred monthly menus so effective April 2018 we will be returning to the monthly menus. You told us how amazing our programs and our educators are and for that we are thankful, we couldn't do it without your support.

As a thank you for taking the time to fill out our survey we have awarded the winners of our gift card draws \$25 each.

Our winners were: Megan - mother of Cruz and Aviana

Sarah - mother of Chayse

Stephanie - mother of Sophia



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Annual General Meeting

When: Monday, April 16, 2018

Where: Georges Vanier School Gymnasium

Time: 6:30 p.m.

All staff and parents are invited to join us at the First Adventure Annual General Meeting. This is an adult event with a light dinner provided. If you are interested in attending please contact the office at 613-962-3474.

Gift Card Program

Our next order will go in on Monday, April 9th if anyone is interested in supporting this ongoing fundraiser. All funds raised go to supporting your child's program.



If you would like to purchase a gift card, please fill out the order form and give it to your child's teacher before 10 a.m. on the dates above. Orders will arrive within one week of ordering

Contact Mary Ellen in the office at 613-962-3474 or firstadventure@hotmail.com if you have questions.