



Sandcastle Preschool

"Where learning happens through play."

December 2019



Theme: Happy Holidays Around the World!

THANK YOU.....Neufeld was a huge success because of you....details to follow...

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all our families! It's hard to believe December is here already.

We have had a lot of fun learning about Dinosaurs. The children had a great time with our in class forest and creating different environments with our loose parts table. We talked about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We discussed where the dinosaurs ate with no grocery stores and no restaurants. We hope the children have been sharing some of our fun songs with you!

Now it's time to learn about all of the wonderful traditions that families have around the holidays, and introduce some of our own Sandcastle traditions too, like Edward the Elf, and popcorn twists and movie day! We will be writing to Santa and we are hoping he will write us back!

On **December 18th and 19th**, each class will be visited by Santa, who has a special gift for everyone. Santa will be joined by "Banjo Barney" as well as his elves, who are all MACL board members volunteering their time to help make this month extra special. On **December 18th and 19th**, we'll be having popcorn twists, and a short 10-15 minute Christmas themed Paw Patrol movie! And other

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Elf on the Shelf

Edward the mischievous elf is coming back to visit us! During each preschool class in December, the children will have a chance to look for what he's gotten into! We'll also use this as an opportunity to talk about our feelings, emotions, and reinforce our solution center. Also to review other calming strategies like deep breathing, and taking a break in the cozy cube.

Registration for 2020/21...

Starting on January 13/2020 the MACL main office will be open for registrations! We'll be accepting registrations for the 20/21 preschool year.

Please be aware that current families still need to register if you are interested in returning to Sandcastle in September!

Register early for your best class options! Morning classes were full by the end of January last year!

Mitten & Hat Donations

If you have any extra mittens or hats, we welcome your donations, as we provide "loaners" to children who have forgotten them, and sometimes they don't make it back to preschool!

Winter Weather



In the event of school closures due to snow or ice conditions, please listen to STAR FM98.3, CKNW, 98AM, or check the Mission school district website.

If the public schools are closed, Sandcastle Preschool will also be closed.

Happy Birthday!

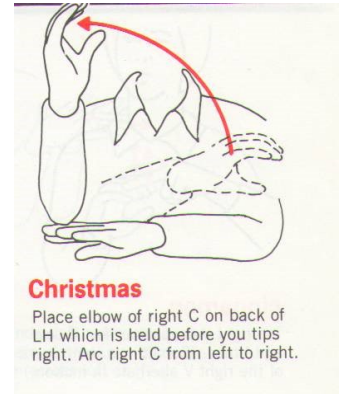
Henry
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Tyler B.C.
Alyssa L.



Circle time song

I know a man with a long white beard
& Santa is his name-o, S-A-N-T-A, (3x)
& Santa is his name-o!
He slides down the chimney with a pack on his back,
& Santa is his name-o, S-A-N-T-A (3x)
& Santa is his name-o!
8 little reindeer pull his sleigh & Santa is his name-o,
S-A-N-T-A (3x) and Santa is his name-o!

Signs



Information updates:

If you have had a **change of address, phone number or Emergency contact**, please update your Emergency card here at preschool.
Thanks for keeping us up to date.



Thank-you!

Thanks to all of you, for helping us keep Sandcastle a safe place for everyone with all the great nut free snacks you've been sending! A huge thank you to everyone who purchased items from our Neufeld Fundraiser!

Here are a few more ideas

Veggies, crackers or tortilla chips with hummus, bean dip, or salsa, sushi, hard boiled eggs, or egg salad, canned salmon or tuna, Wow butter (soy) or sun butter, (sunflower seeds) for sandwiches, or wraps, "trail mix" with cheerios, (not

Community News

Breakfast with Santa: Thurs. Dec. 5th, 9:30-11:00am. Mission Leisure Center, Registration required 604-820-5350 & \$8:00 admission.

Candlelight Parade: Fri. Dec. 6th, downtown Mission, go to www.missionchamber.bc.ca for more info.

Paws for Stories: Thurs. Dec. 19th, 3:30-4:30 Mission Library.

Merry Xmas Puppet show: Tues. Dec. 17th, 6:45-7:30, Mission Library.



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I did nothing today

When children come home at the end of the day,
The question they're asked as they head out to play
Is "tell me what you did today?"
And the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay.
"Nothing, I did nothing today!"
Perhaps "nothing" means I looked at a good book.
Or ...with the teacher I got to cook.
Maybe I painted a picture of blue,
Or heard a story about a mouse that flew.
Maybe I printed my name by myself,
Or found a great book on the library shelf.
Maybe I sang a song right to the end,
Or maybe I made a brand new friend!
When you're 3,4 and 5, your heart has wings, and
"Nothing" can mean so many things!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 <i>Elspeth here to tell stories</i>	6 <i>Elspeth here to tell stories</i>	7
8	9	10	11	12 <i>Head lice checks Red Day</i>	13 <i>Head lice checks Red Day</i>	14
15	16 <i>PJ Day!</i>	17 <i>PJ Day!</i>	18 <i>Santa Visits! Popcorn twist and Movie Day!</i>	19 <i>Santa Visits! Popcorn twists and Movie Day!</i>	20 <i>Preschool closed for clean up, see you next year!</i>	21
22	23 	24 	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31		<i>Looking Ahead.... Class resumes January 6, 2020. Theme: Fantasy & Fairytales</i>		