

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March break was a great week for the Kindergarten and School Age children. Their trip to Mac Johnson included a campfire with roasting hotdogs and smores. Brian from Brockville Boomerang Club was a huge success with all the children. The preschool children had fun at Edgewood Farms learning about maple syrup and enjoying maple taffy and returning to the Centre to enjoy pancakes with maple syrup from the farm.

A Health Unit information sheet regarding the upcoming total eclipse on Monday, April 8th was sent to all our families last month. This is also a PA Day. In this notice it said it is dangerous to look directly at the sun at any time, but during an eclipse it can be very tempting to have a quick look. Even though some of the sunlight is blocked by the Moon, the remaining light can still damage unprotected eyes. There are no pain sensors in your retinas to indicate that your eyes are being damaged by looking at the sun. Symptoms can take 12 to 48 hours to appear and can include retinal burns, permanent or temporary visual loss, and blurred vision. Once symptoms begin, it is usually too late to reverse any damage. As suggested in the notice our Centre will not have outdoor activities during the eclipse times of 2 pm and 4:30 pm. The blinds will be down, and children will do indoor activities during the time of the eclipse.

SUMMER AND FALL REGISTRATION OPENS NEXT MONTH

Summer Registration will be sent out to families May 1st with a brochure and calendar of events. Children in the Preschool Program entering Kindergarten September 2024 will be moving to the Kindergarten program in July so you will need to register for the program. A letter with all the information will be coming soon explaining the transition. Fall Registration will be sent out May 15th. Families not accessing summer care will need to submit a two-week non-refundable deposit to hold the spot that will be credited on September's invoice.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration goes out to the public two weeks after in-house dates!

Unfortunately, we had to say Goodbye to Yuri, our Kindergarten Teacher last month. She will be missed but we wish her all the best. Maureen will fill in until a RECE replacement can be found. You will see a new face in the Kindergarten Room starting April 1 her name is Chloe and she will be a co educator in the program with Maureen.

Wishing you all a great month of April with plenty of Spring weather!

~Francine~

ABSENCES EMAIL	SITE CONTACT INFO....
<p>Please remember to send an email if your child will be away from their program!</p> <p>BOSCO- boscodaycareabsences.sjb@outlook.com ANGE GABRIEL - agdaycareabsences.sjb@outlook.com ST. FRANCIS - stfrancisdaycareabsences.sjb@outlook.com JL JORDAN - jldaycareabsences.sjb@outlook.com</p>	<p>BOSCO (MAIN SITE) 613 342 1479 sjb@bellnet.ca</p> <p>ANGE GABRIEL (BILINGUAL SITE) 613 498 1900 stjohnbosco_angedgabriel@bellnet.ca</p> <p>ST. FRANCIS (B&A SCHOOL PROG) 613 213 2420</p> <p>JL JORDAN (B&A SCHOOL PROG) 613 349 0632</p>

DE LA DIRECTION

Bienvenue au mois d'avril!

Les journées ensoleillées ont apporté des rayons de soleil sur nos visages, avec on odeur du printemps dans l'air. J'espère que vous avez tous passé un bon long weekend de Pâques !

Lundi 8 avril éclipse totale comme mentionné nous n'irons pas dehors durant les heures de 14h00 à 16h30.

INSCRIPTIONS :

Nous sommes très occupés à planifier nos programmes d'été. Notre inscription pour l'été sera disponible bientôt.

Notre inscription d'automne sera disponible 2 semaines après l'inscription d'été.

L'inscription débutera auprès de nos familles internes pour les deux premières semaines de l'inscription d'été et d'automne.

VACANCES D'ÉTÉ 2024

29 JUILLET AU 2 AOÛT

5-9 AOÛT

RAPPEL AUX PARENTS :

Si quelqu'un d'autre vient cueillir votre enfant, la politique stipule que vous devez informer le service de garde avec leur nom qui correspond avec leur identification.

J'aimerais profiter de ce temps pour remercier toutes nos familles de nous avoir choisis pour aider à élever vos petits. C'est mon plus grand plaisir de travailler auprès d'une équipe d'éducateurs vraiment formidable!

Joyeuse Pâques à tous et passez un bon mois d'avril!

~Mme Cathy~

FROM OUR PEDAGOGICAL LEADERS....

With the changing seasons, it is wonderful to see our Educators embracing the opportunity to offer extended periods of outdoor play for our children! It is so important for children's physical and emotional well being to be outside and connect with nature. Playing outdoors allows children to develop self-confidence, independence and self esteem. Outdoor play is also crucial for the brain's healthy development. Research shows that the frontal cortex of the brain, which is responsible for controlling emotions and problem solving is activated during outdoor playtime. Researchers also agree that children who play outside often are happier, are better at self regulation, paying attention, and are less anxious than children who spend more time indoors. Happy Spring and enjoy special time outside with your children! It benefits us all!

~Maureen~

FUNDRAISING NEWS!

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our Spring Artisan Market. Despite the weather, it was a huge success, and it was lovely to see so many familiar faces. The market raised \$1,976.35! Thank you to all the vendors, staff volunteers and attendees for making it possible.

BOSCO TODDLER	ANGE BAMBINS
<p>The toddlers have grown a big interest in kitchen accessories! We have created a new kitchen space outside in our yard with a music wall full of pots, pans, muffin tins, spoons, whisk, etc! We have been exploring with all our senses by baking and cooking in the kitchen with natural materials, as well as engaging in imaginary play within the kitchen using real life experiences. With spring now here, we will be creating more spaces outside for the children to explore in, keep a lookout on Lillo (HiMama) to see some upcoming gardening and insect exploration during our outdoor time!</p> <p>Teegan & Tamara</p>	<p>Au cours du mois de mars, nos Bambins d'Ange ont été excités par les températures plus chaudes. Nous avons pu sortir sans mitaines et explorer le bac à sable et les parties polyvalentes naturelles. Les enfants ont aimé construire des châteaux de sable, trouver des rochers, cuisiner dans la cuisine de jeu, grimper sur notre équipement et explorer toute la cour. Nous sommes impatients de voir ce que le reste du printemps nous apporte.</p> <p>Keira, Brandi & Carly</p>
BOSCO PRESCHOOL	ANGE PRÉSCOLAIRES
<p>April showers bring May flowers! We are hoping for some rainy days, so we can play in the mud! There has been a huge want for muddy play, and we are hoping to put our mud kitchen to use! In the upcoming weeks, we will discuss and explore Spring. Talk about the changes we are seeing, and build our interest around all things Spring! In the preschool room, we will be planting vegetable and flower seeds! It will be an exciting time to watch our plants grow!</p> <p>Brittany, Melanie & Emily</p>	<p>La chose favorite des enfants sont les dinosaures. C'est encore une partie pour les activités dans la classe et dehors. Le printemps commence et on fait les joues organisés comme cache et cherche et tag. Tous les enfants aiment regarder les signes de printemps et voir les différentes choses comme les oiseaux et les autres animaux. Une autre intérêt est les opportunités de regarder et observer les environnements on est dans comme les nouveau opportunités dans la classe et dehors comme des avions, autos, et camions.</p> <p>Les enfants observent les personnes dans la communauté qui aident et font leur travail. On parle des camions de pompier et camions à ordures. Avec sa les enfants parlent de qu'est-ce qu'ils veulent être quand vous êtes grand.</p> <p>Morgan, Jaime, Mia & Hailey</p>

BOSCO KINDER	ANGE MATERNELLE/JARDIN
<p>We were all sorry to say good-bye to our Educator Yuri who has moved onto another position. But we are happy to welcome Chloe to the program, and I know she is very excited to get to know the children. April will be a busy month! The children have been interested in making little books and drawing and writing in them. The children will be making journals, so they have a personal space to write and draw as they wish. Building structures has also been a continuing interest of the children. We will be providing many different loose parts and materials to explore and develop their problem solving skills. We will also be doing some building challenges!</p> <p>Each week we will conduct a science experiment to demonstrate the mixing of materials and creating new substances! Ask you children about our Wacky Science!</p> <p>Have a wonderful month!</p> <p>Maureen</p>	<p>Salutations à tous les parents ! Le mois d'avril commence avec le lundi de Pâques, suivi de l'éclipse solaire du 8. Nous ajouterons des informations sur le soleil et la lune à notre programme parascolaire et poursuivrons de nombreuses aventures printanières à mesure que le temps se réchauffera. N'oubliez pas que s'il y a ne serait-ce qu'un centimètre carré de boue, les enfants la trouveront et voudront y jouer!</p> <p>Janice & Mia</p>

*****ATTENTION TODDLER & PRESCHOOL FAMILIES: ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS DRESSED FOR THE WEATHER... EXTRA CLOTHES AND SOCKS ARE ALWAYS A GREAT IDEA TO KEEP ON HAND THANK YOU!****

BOSCO SCH AGE	
<p>This month in school we've been trying to get outside as much as possible! The school age children have really been enjoying jump rope and trying to learn double dutch. Also looking forward to April, the school age children want to try some new STEM Challenges.</p> <p>Shelby</p>	
ANGE PARASCOLAIRE - JR	ANGE PARASCOLAIRE - SR
<p>Quel beau mois de mars ! Nous nous sommes tellement amusés dehors avec le beau temps. Nous avons coloré, créé, joué et chanté beaucoup de chansons. Nous avons terminé le mois avec de nombreux bricolages de Pâques. Quelles choses intéressantes allons-nous faire pour avril ??</p> <p>Kim & Eve</p>	<p>Bon printemps à tous ! Nous sommes très heureux d'entamer la nouvelle saison avec de nombreuses activités du temps dehors au soleil ! Ce mois-ci, nous prévoyons de sortir le plus possible et profiter du beau temps printanier. Nous travaillerons ensemble pour créer de nouveaux jeux de plein air créatifs, ainsi que pour profiter de quelques classiques. Nous produits de recyclage. J'ai hâte de voir ce que nous pouvons proposer ! Restez à l'écoute pour beaucoup de plaisir printanier après l'école explorons également de nouvelles façons amusantes de devenir créatifs avec le carton</p>

	<p>et d'autres</p> <p>Thomas</p>
ST. FRANCIS	JL JORDAN
<p>Welcome Spring! We cannot believe how fast the time is flying. At St.Francis we did so much in the month of March. From celebrating St.Patrick's Day, learning about Ramadan and celebrating Easter and Holi (the festival of colour). We learnt so much about our friends in the program cultures and what they celebrate. The last week of March we started our seedlings! We are so excited to watch them grow. For the month of April we will continue to learn and support the children's interest in gardening. We plan on transforming our dramatic play centre into a farmers market with lots of loose part play. From egg cartons to some fun crafted vegetables! It will be so much fun!</p> <p>On April 22nd we will be celebrating Earth Day. We have also ordered our annual caterpillars. We are beyond excited to watch and care and even name our new friends, so stay soon. We hope you have a great start to Spring.</p> <p>Fairyana & Laura</p>	<p>Jl jordan will be full of bloom. April is going to be a month of new blooms. We will be planting different things and watching them grow as well as adding lots of colour to our surroundings. We hope to get outside for lots of fresh air and skipping as well as brilliant chalk drawings! Let's welcome in spring!</p> <p>Courtney, Emily, Makenzie</p>