



St. Albert Public
Preschool

How We Grow

PLANTING SEEDS OF KNOWLEDGE THAT LAST A LIFETIME

September 2017

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IMPORTANT DATES

September 5
All students first day

September 7
New Parent Meeting
6:30 to 7:30

September 15
PUF Parent info meeting

September 21
Picture Day

BIRTHDAYS

WELCOME

Welcome everyone to preschool! I'm so excited to get to know all the new little friends and their families, and to see the returning families. My Name is Shelley MacAllister and I will be your child's teacher this year.

Our Classroom Team:

Miss Shelley: Teacher

Ms. Andrea: E.A.

Ms. Kim: E.A.

Ms. Carla: Speech Pathologist

Ms. Kerry: Speech Assistant

Ms. Ange: Occupational Therapist

Ms. Kim: Occupational Therapy Assistant

SEPTEMBER NEWS

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please make note of the phone number listed on the top left. This is the number to call the preschool directly. Please call this number to talk to me or report your child as absent.

This month our focus will be getting to know the children and settling into the classroom routine. We will work on developing friendships and trust. At circle time we will involve the children in finger plays, songs and short stories. We will also be exploring color through books, crafts, science experiments, games and songs. We are so excited for a busy month and a wonderful year of learning.

6:30 to 7:30

New Parent meeting

Thursday September 7th

Here at Keeno in our classroom.

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REMINDERS

Please make sure you call the Keeno Preschool direct number to report absences or if you would like to talk to me.

780 668 5484

Our school days are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Children receiving programming through program unit funding (PUF) or mild/moderate also attend on Fridays.

Please ensure we have all of your updated contact information including email addresses and monthly payments.

Please park on the street; our building can get very busy throughout the year and sometimes parking is very limited.

To help the children settle into the routine we ask that parents who want to volunteer wait until October to come in. Those who want to volunteer must have an updated criminal record check on file in our office. If you need a new letter to take to the RCMP office please let me know and I can help you with that.

If any one other than you will be picking up your child please make sure you have submitted the **Permission for pick up form** with all the needed information and all people picking up children from preschool must have photo ID at time of pick up.

Starting in October, the first Wednesday of every month there is no classes.

THINGS TO BRING TO

A pair of inside shoes.

A zip lock bag with an extra pair of clothes, socks, underwear etc.

If your child is still potty training, a zip lock bag full of diapers or pull ups to keep at school. The staff will place the empty bag back into their backpack when it needs to be refilled.

A healthy nut free snack and drink.

A Box of Kleenex.

LITERACY CONNECTIONS

Each year in our preschool program we choose a book that we will focus on for the school year. This year we have chosen the book "Strictly No Elephants" by Lisa Mantchev. It is a fantastic story about including everyone. Throughout the year we will re-read this book often in the classroom with the children and will create a special craft for the end of the year that will be included in their yearend scrapbook. We hope that you enjoy this book as much as we do.

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LOOKING AHEAD

October 4 - No school Staff Meeting Day

October 9 - Thanksgiving Monday

October 10 – No School P.D. day

Please visit our preschool web site at:

<http://preschool.spschools.org>, and explore all the things there for you. Starting in October, This is where you will find my monthly newsletter and our classroom calendar. Starting in October you will not receive a paper copy of the new letter or the calendar. Also note that we will be posting picture of the students exploring and learning in the classroom, and having fun on our fieldtrips. If you have any concerns or problems with the web site please let me know.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Once a month I will be sending home a Scholastic book order. Scholastics is a great and inexpensive way to build your child a little library to help foster a love for books, build vocabulary and encourage the development of early reading skills.

TRY THIS AT HOME

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It is that time of the year when children are starting school, or returning after the summer holiday. It is easy to ask your child "what did you learn today?" For many children, and in particular preschool age children, this is a difficult question for them to answer. Here are a few more directed questions you could ask your child to find out about their school day.

- What did you like best about your day?
- What was the most interesting thing that you learned in school today?
- What is the silliest thing that happened today?
- What book did you read at circle time?
- What song did you sing today?
- What is one fun thing that happened to you today?