

DREAMS UNLIMITED CHILDCARE

NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2011

Wow what a busy and fun month July was. We've been having a great time going to the beach, parks, and of course water play outside at the centre! For the parents of the school kids you can find pictures daily of what they are doing at the summer camp on the Dreams Unlimited Face Book.

I would like to welcome some new families to the centre. Welcome Aidan and Liam and their mother Melanie, Seth and his parents Tasha and Andrew, Sahib and Armaan and their parents Harminder and Arvind.

BEST WISHES KEN

Although I am happy for Kenneth I am at the same time sad to say that as September approaches we will be saying goodbye. Ken will be going off to Holland College.

PUPPY PROJECT

The children ages 0-4 are beginning a project about puppies. The educators have been observing for quite some time how many of the children pretend to be puppies or mommy and daddy puppies. Yesterday we began the first phase – what do you know? and we discovered that the children know alot. We will be focusing on this project for at least the month of August. I'm excited to see what direction the children will take. Will we explore animal hospitals? Groomers? Trainers? Types of dogs? Who knows?

PHOTOS

If your child is in the programs for ages 0-4 and have a dog we would love a picture. This would help examine the different types of dogs, what is similar and what is different among them. Please bring in a picture by Aug. 8th.

FIELD TRIP

I am making arrangements for a few experts to visit us at the centre regarding puppies. More info. to come.

PEANUT FREE

We have many new families that have joined us at Dreams Unlimited so I just want to put it in the newsletter again that we are a peanut free facility.

SUMMER CAMPERS

The school kids summer camp is going very well. The summer campers will be going to the Silver Fox Museum today. Next week is water Olympics so make sure they bring extra clothes. Our next "big" trip is to the Cows Factory and Victoria Park on Aug. 24th. If you have not given \$11 dollars already towards the parent fee (for the field trip in July and Aug.) then it would be \$4 for the trip to Cows. Also, the children will be doing self portraits with Sue Scalia on Monday August 15th. If your child has not brought in a white t-shirt already please have one for this day.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

It's hard to believe but yes it's time to start planning already for the before and after school program in September. Please speak to me asap to ensure that there is a spot for your child.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

To go along with our Puppy Project we will be focusing on the virtues caring and responsibility.

PD DAY

I'm wanting to give lots of notice that Dreams Unlimited will be following the recommendations of the Department of Education to close for 3 PD days a year. In the past we have always been closed for one. The PD days will be Oct. 20-21, and May 4th. These will go along with the school calendar so there will not be school for the school children as well. If you have any questions or concerns please come see me.

ELIZABETH'S VACATION

I will be on vacation from Aug. 5-12. Jolene will be doing the school age program on Friday Aug. 5th and Monday Aug. 8th. The program will remain as scheduled. If you have any questions or concerns please bring them to Colleen or Melanie and I will address them as soon as I am back.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Puppy Photo	August 8 th
Self Portraits T-shirts	August 15 th
Cows Factory	August 24 th
PD Days	Oct. 20-21, May 4 th
Elizabeth Vacation	August 5-12