

PRESCHOOL 2 CALENDAR



Important Dates

- Chinese New Year – February 5th
- Valentine's Day – February 14th
- Family Day – February 18th (Terrytan is closed)

Program Enrichment

Additional Program Enrichment will be provided by visits from Diane (on Thursdays) and Kim, the Librarian.



Skills we will be working on:

Social Skills

- Helping friends who are in need and beginning to identify emotions of others (1.7 empathy, 1.8 taking another person's point of view)

Pre-reading Skills

- Recognizing letters in books and around the classroom, particularly the letters in their name (3.11 letter recognition)

Self Help Skills

- Continuing to use tissues when we need to and remembering to wash hands after. (4.1 self-regulation, 4.2 problem solving)

Motor Skills

- Using small and large shovels to move and play with snow and other materials (5.1 increasing coordination and activity)

Math Skills

- Counting how many friends are present (4.12 counting, 4.13 determining quantity)

How does Learning Happen?

Family day is a great time to connect to spend with your child (or children) doing fun, activities together as a group. **Engaging** your child in activities at home provides them with experiences to share and allows them to **express** their joy when they tell friends about how they spent their day.

Some fun experiences you can have include:

- Going to a park to explore nature. Look at different trees and plants and let your child stomp in the snow and make snow angels.
- Doing arts and crafts with simple materials such as paints, fabric or even paper bags. Make sock puppets to have puppet shows with or use paper plates to help them design a fun snowflake.
- Watching a movie at the theatre or at home. Consider watching a movie that can extend your child's knowledge and interest. After the experience, ask your child questions about what they have just seen and how it makes them feel. Connecting with your child this way allows them to understand their emotions and interests and helps them regulate their behaviour, attention, and emotions.



Science Experience

- In February, we will continue exploring transformations (4.9) by mixing colours with water, snow, and ice. We will do this in two ways:
 1. Using food colouring, we will pour dyed water into ice trays then watch the ice melt and make a new colour!
 2. Using a water mister, we will dye fresh snow outside and use small shovels (and our hands) to blend the colours together, creating a snow rainbow.