September 8, 2025

## Welcome to Preschool!

Laura and I have been busy decorating the classroom and preparing our lessons for another exciting preschool year! This month our theme is 'The Ants Go Marching!' and we will be learning about ants and nature through stories, drama, music, creative movement and art. Not to mention, we will be getting the children used to the environment and our school routine!

Our Parent Orientation and Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday, September 4th. If you have more questions or need more information regarding the preschool's policies, cooperative jobs and board positions that we presented, please don't hesitate to ask. The Google docs for Co-op jobs and cleaning schedule will be sent out later in the month.

Our colour this month is red, and we will be celebrating **Red Days** on **September 24 & 25**. Please try to have your child wear red clothes on their school day. Also, we will be joining the other organizations in the Province on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> recognizing the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**. This day recognizes the harm done to generations of children by Indian Residential Schools. It is also a commitment to reconciliation, antiracism, and anti-bullying. Our **Orange Shirt Day** for Preschool will be on **Sept. 29**<sup>th</sup>.

An important reminder that we are a <u>nut-free school</u>. Please ensure all of the nutritious snacks are free of all peanuts and tree nuts. Packaged snacks like granola bars should be marked nut-free. If they 'may contain peanuts, tree nuts', they will not be opened at school. These allergies are a matter of life or death so, we thank you for helping us keep all of our students safe!

Upcoming dates to remember:

- September 8- First Day of Staggered Start Week
- September 24 & 25 Red Days, wear red
- September 29- Orange shirt day at Preschool
- September 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, no school
- October 13 Thanksgiving, no School

We're looking forward to 2025-26! Jodi and Laura