

Parent Meeting Minutes – April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 12 parents were in attendance

1. Instead of parents each bringing in a bottle of sunscreen we would like to charge \$10 for the season for full-timers and \$5 for part-timers. That would be a one time charge and it would be charged in June. That would save the teachers a lot of prep time so the children can get outside faster. The sunscreen we would buy would be a Debonair product called Deflect 33. We currently use Debonair hand soap in our dispensers. Debonair is professional sunscreen for sensitive skin. See below.

### **DEFLECT PROFESSIONAL SUNSCREEN - SPF 33**

Helps protect the skin from exposure to the sun's damaging rays when applied to clean, dry skin prior to working outdoors. Provides excellent protection to individuals who are photo-sensitive.



- - White, viscous cream
  - - SPF 33
  - - PABA and fragrance free formula
  - - Waterproof
  - - Added skin conditioners and emollients (vitamins A, D, E, & Aloe Vera)
  - - UVA and UVB protection
  - - pH of 5.7 - 6.9
  - - Contains no mineral oils
  - - Non-greasy
  - - Excellent rub-in
  - - Manufactured in an FDA Inspected Facility and carries a D.I.N.
- Approved by: Health Canada DIN 02025795 (SPF 15), DIN 02059959 (SPF 33)

2. Graduation will be June 27<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Graduation pictures are going to be May 16<sup>th</sup>. If your child is not scheduled for that day, please still bring them in. All kids in the Sr. Preschool room should be here by 8:45am. We are booking a room next door at the church for the ceremony. Children will be allowed to bring 4 guests each. More info will follow in the next month.

3. Summer vacation plans need to be in by June 2<sup>nd</sup> so that we can plan for staff vacations and summer enrollment. If we haven't received your vacation plans by June 2<sup>nd</sup> we will assign you a week that your child will be booked off. The reason we need your plans is so we can determine how many staff can be off in any given week during the summer.

4. Now that the nice weather is here please have spring/summer hats, splash pants, sweater, spring jacket every day.

5. Transitions and moves. When we start off the school year in September the rooms are full. If in November, for example, a child in the Sr. Toddler room turns 3 and is ready to move upstairs we expect that there will be openings from now and then that will allow movement. There are times when a child is ready to move to the next room but we don't have the space for them so a wait may occur. It is much easier to get an 18 month old in at any time during the year due to the way we move the children up thru the rooms. So it can be tricky for parents who are looking to get a 3 or 4 year old in during the year. When we receive notice that a child is leaving in a certain room and a child is ready to move up into that spot, we use every opportunity to transition the child to the soon to be new room to make it a smooth transition. This usually only happens when a child in the new room is out sick as all of our rooms are full everyday.

6. Water bottles – we will be using our water bottles outside starting this week. We understand that the children are very active outside and need water on a regular and continuous basis. Each child has a water bottle with their name on it. If you get some of the Lovable Labels with your child's name on it we would love to have a label so it can go on their bottle.

7. Fundraisers – So far we have raised just over \$3000.00 towards the new toddler climber. With all of the new equipment and playhouses in the back yard the concern is that we don't want to add a very large toddler climber so we have ordered one that only cost \$1,000 vs. the anticipated \$6,000 we were planning on spending. The extra money raised will be going towards new computers for the computer room in the basement.

8. We have been receiving a lot of grants from the government lately. The last one was for \$7,500 for new furnishings and toys for the inside of the daycare. Most of this will be arriving late this week. We have new circle mats, kitchens, appliances like mixers, blenders, etc. coming. It's going to be like Christmas around here for the next little while.

9. Renovations – Trudy forgot to mention during the parent meeting that we will have some outside renovations done in June. We are having most of the windows replaced in the front (older) section of the daycare. 24 windows in total are going to be replaced. This will take one full week and will require the workers to work from the inside so it may create a bit of noise but the outcome will be well worth it. Also, we are getting a new roof in the summer. More to come on the date for that.