



Elmwood's Junior Kindergarten News

February 2012

Unit of Inquiry

Our unit of inquiry for the next nine weeks is **Play Time!** Throughout this unit, we will integrate language arts, physical education and fine arts, using a variety of art materials. We will also explore ways of expressing ourselves through art, drama, music and dance.

Valentine's Day

If your daughter wishes to give Valentine's Day cards to her classmates, please feel free to send those cards in on **Tuesday, February 14th**. To assist you and your daughter with printing the names of the other children, I have included a class list at the end of this newsletter.

Your daughter may wear red, pink and/or white clothes on February 14th instead of her uniform.

100th Day of School

We will be celebrating the 100th day of school on **Thursday, February 16th**. It would be wonderful if your daughter could bring in 100 cheerios, raisins or gummy candies (nut-free creativity is encouraged!) We will make a 100s Day party mix. Please make sure it's a dry ingredient. Counting by 10s, 10 times over a few days will perhaps be the easiest way to approach this fun activity.

Show and Tell

A show and tell is a wonderful opportunity for the students to develop their presentation skills. It is also a great opportunity to bring in items connected to the curriculum, such as objects related to our current unit of inquiry or items that start with our letter of the week!

Toys and Stuffed Friends

We please ask that **toys** not be brought to school. The girls are permitted to bring in **one small stuffed toy** for rest time, but other toys can be distractions and may be misplaced. We have wonderful toys for the girls to play with during Play Centres! It would be most convenient for everyone if your daughter chooses one stuffed friend to leave at school for rest time. This stuffed friend could be swapped for a new one once a month. This would certainly eliminate any morning negotiations over which stuffed friend is coming to school for the day!

Skating in Rockcliffe Park

The Junior and Senior Kindergarten classes will be walking to an outdoor skating rink in Rockcliffe Park for a morning of skating on Thursday, February 23rd. Warm dress is required. Parent volunteers are more than welcome! More information will be sent home shortly regarding this field trip. Should you be interested in joining us on this field trip, please speak to Ms. Meadowcroft.

Important Dates in February

- Tuesday, February 14 – Valentine’s Day card exchange and pink/white/red civies day
- Thursday, February 16 – 100th Day of School Party
- Friday, February 17 – Mid-Winter Break (no school)
- Monday, February 20 – Family Day Holiday (no school)
- Thursday, February 23 – Skating in Rockcliffe Park



OUR CLASS LIST



Emma	Lucy
Elizabeth	Faiza
Lilith	Khaliya
Isobel	Quinn
Annabel	Christina