

Hay Lakes and District Playschool Information Night

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Welcome and Introductions

*President: Cory Zetson

*Vice President: Connor Stratuliak

*Secretary: Avey Christiansen - secretary.hlps@gmail.com

Treasurer: Michael Wetsch - treasurer.hlps@gmail.com

Teacher: Marie Stratuliak - teacher.hlps@gmail.com - 587-986-9183

*The President, Vice President, and Secretary positions will need to be filled and voted upon at the AGM

Mailing Address, Landline, Website

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Hay Lakes Playschool Mission Statement

The Hay Lakes and District Playschool Society is dedicated to introducing students to the joys of learning in an environment that is loving, nurturing, and safe. We are committed to providing a well-balanced program offering a variety of learning experiences that encourage children to explore and cultivate a desire to learn. In addition, we strive to foster social, emotional, and physical potentials, as well as stimulate creative thought and self-expression. The environment we offer teaches children how to interact with each other socially and emotionally. Our aim is to provide a positive experience that children will look forward to with enthusiasm and serves as a foundation for future learning.

Playschool Fees

Registration Fee - \$100

Recreation Fee - \$20

Janitorial Fee - \$120

Field Trip Fee - \$165

Monthly Fee - \$110

- The government of Alberta provides an affordability grant. Those who qualify will pay \$35, while the government will cover the other \$75. Fees can be paid monthly (with the exception of the fundraising, rec, and registration fees)
- Please note that if fees aren't paid, your child will not be able to attend.

Fees are payable by the 1st of each month (Sept-June) using e-transfer (treasurer.hlps@gmail.com, password: playschool) or cheque payable to Hay Lakes and District Playschool Society

We encourage families to apply for government grants for Child Care Subsidies.

Fundraising - \$300

- The fundraising deposit will be refunded to you once you have fundraised the minimal amount of \$300 (profit)
- Some of the fundraisers we typically run: Amazon Wish List, Coco Brooks, School Pictures, Raffle, Happy Hippo, Bottle Drive, Purdy's, Valentines Day Flowers, Mother's Day Flowers
- Parent/guardian volunteers are needed to help with fundraisers. Will be discussed further during the AGM.

Class Time:

- The first day of class will be September 11 (for the 3 year old class), and September 12 (for the 4 year old class). The last day of class will be June 29, 2024.
- 3-year-old class will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and scheduled Fridays.
- 4-year-old class will be Tuesdays, Thursdays, and scheduled Fridays
- Check in times between 8:15-8:30 am
- Pick-up time is 11:30 am
- PUF students: Monday-Thursday with scheduled Fridays

School Schedule & Year in a Glance

- The Hay Lakes Playschool follows the Battle River Regional School Division schedule. Therefore, if busses are not running at the 'big school' due to weather, PD days or holidays, there is no playschool.

Miss Marie's Year in a Glance

- September: Back to School, Fall, My 5 senses
- October: Fall, Colours, Halloween, Gratitude, Shapes
- November: People and their Cultures, Kindness, Start on Letters, Zoo
- December: Body Awareness and Mindfulness, Winter, Christmas
- January: Breath and Breathing, Construction and Transportation
- February: Emotions, Valentine's Day, Fairy Tales
- March: St. Patrick's Day, Start on Numbers, Spring
- April: Easter, Circus
- May: Community Helpers, Bugs, Caring for Each Other and Our World
- June: End of School, Friendship, Summer, Pond Life

Parent Communication & Involvement

- There will be a Parent Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
- Miss Marie uses the "SeeSaw Family" app as the main method of communicating (updates, reminders) with parents.
- Please note that pick up and drop off times are not the time for lengthy conversations with Miss Marie. If there are any learning or behavioural concerns, the teacher may call or email you. If you have any concerns, you are encouraged to email Miss Marie (teacher.hlps@gmail.com).
- You are welcome to bring a snack to share on your child's birthday (subject to change due to pandemic restrictions).

Website - www.haylakesplayschool.ca

- We have a new website! Please make sure to check it out! On the website you can find a yearly calendar, daily schedule, year at a glance, names and photos of staff, contact information for board members, fees, and meeting minutes.

Sick Children Procedure (from the HLPS Parent Handbook)

Parents/guardians are asked to keep their child home if they have any of the following symptoms:

- fever
- diarrhea
- severe coughing
- difficult or rapid breathing
- yellowish skin or eyes
- pink eye
- head lice
- vomiting
- new or unexplained rash or cough
- requiring greater care and attention than can be provided without compromising the care of the other children in the program
- having or displaying any other illness or symptoms which may indicate that the child poses a health risk to others (ie - covid)

Registration Fees

- The registration form can be found on the website (www.haylakesplayschool.ca)
- Registration form and fees are due no later than September 10, 2023.

Questions?

Thank you for your interest in Hay Lakes and District Playschool!

