

Important Dates:

South Pointe

Closed:

May 20

In-service: Centre Open

June 14th

June 28th

Important Dates:

Montrose

Closed:

May 20

In-service: Centre open

May 6th

June 28th—early dismissal

Important Dates:

Sir William Osler

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K.I.D.S. Inc.

May Newsletter

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Contact us



 **Happy Anniversary
at
Montrose!
Tara—2 years**

 **Happy Anniversary at
South Pointe!
Laura—1 year
Samreen—1 year
Yuner—2 years**

**Thank you to families for
the generous appreciation
gifts, cards, treats and
acknowledgements during
the week of the Early
Childhood Educator.**



We will use Sun Zone or Croc Bloc Sun screen with an SPF of 30 or 50 on all the children. Only bring in your own brand if your child has a sensitivity to our sunscreen. Please make sure your child has a hat.





Billing Dates to plan for summer:

May 6

June 3

July 1

July 29

Aug 26

Sept 23

From Karen's Desk

Since 2016 the Manitoba government included no new revenue including fees and grants. As a non-profit business our Board of Directors has investigated many ways to maintain the stability of our organization.

Effective July 1, 2019, the current refundable, per child deposit, be replaced with a \$200 non-refundable new child administration fee.

Effective July 1, 2019, a \$1.50 per day snack charge will be implemented for all families of preschool and school aged.

Effective July 1, 2019, hours of operation for all three sites be 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Effective July 1, 2019 the South Pointe Infant program will operate from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with a maximum time limit of 9 hours per child. An additional fee of \$15.00 will be charged for any child attending more than 9 hours.

The K.I.D.S. Inc. Board of Directors remains committed to supporting the quality of our programs, to remain an employer of choice and to continue being stewards of our fiscal responsibility.

Montrose site [204-488-8948](tel:204-488-8948)

South Pointe site [204-275-3350](tel:204-275-3350)

Sir William Osler site [204-488-7621](tel:204-488-7621)

Respect - Relationships - Creativity - Learning - Belonging

Donations needed:

We are looking for the following items to help fill our cupboards for the children:

GAME WISH LIST

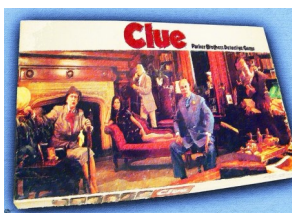
- Clue
- Connect 4
- Brix
- Pickles to Penguins
- Sequence Letters
- Sequence for Kids
- How Tall Am I?
- Dr. Eureka
- Yeti in My Spaghetti
- Blokus
- Skippity
- Labyrinth
- Who is it?
- Uno (classic)
- Sorry
- Trouble
- Chinese Checkers
- And any other games you love and think we would love

ARTS AND CRAFTS:

Feathers, pom-poms, Elmers Clear glue, Dollar store craft items, popsicle sticks, stickers

PUZZLES:

Preschool wooden puzzles



Sir William Osler News

Happy Spring!

The Nursery and Kindergarten children have been busy exploring the neighborhood over the last few weeks. They have visited Brock-Fleet park, The Far Park and walks around the community. On Earth day (April 22, 2019) the children participated in a nature walk to clean up trash in their community. The children and educators arrived back at the center with a large bag of trash and of course some treasures they found along the way!

With the warm weather approaching we will certainly be able to explore the community more often and for longer periods of time. With the warmer weather comes the increased UV index. We will be applying sunscreen to all of the children prior to outside play.

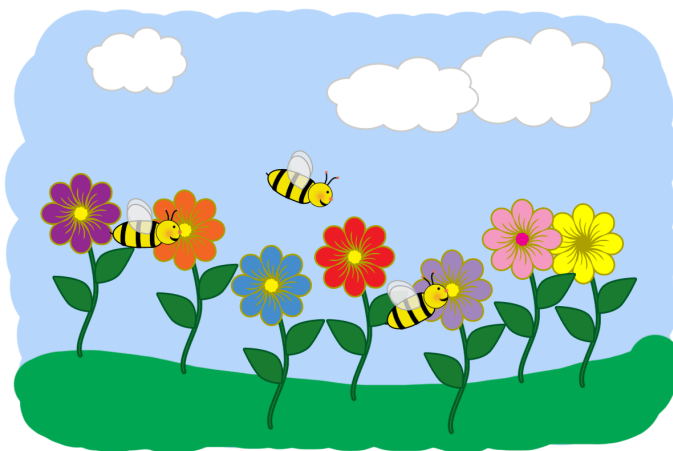
Beginning on May 10-June 10 we will not be permitted to use the school gym as the floors are being redone. The School Age groups will be placed in alternate rooms during this time. Further communication with families will be made closer to the time.

Summer planning is well underway, we are very excited to be at Sir William Osler this summer. If you have any talents or special abilities that you would like to share with us please let me know!

We will be closed on Monday May 20 for Victoria Day, we will reopen Tuesday May 21 at 7:00am.

Robyn Liddle ECE11

Sir William Osler Site Manager



South Pointe News

Welcome to Spring! Our playground development planning is still in the works with some fundraising ideas coming as well. We are applying for grants to help us achieve at least a part of our dream shortly to have a usable space for the children.

The Poutine King and his family have generously offered to fundraise a poutine lunch for our playground development later on this month. More information on how to order as well as the dates for this lunch to follow soon.

Please continue to remove your outdoor shoes before entering the childcare centre to prevent objects and dirt from entering our play spaces.

The children can now carry their outdoor shoes into their room upon arrival, where their locker is located and switch indoor shoes for their outdoor shoes—the bottom square of each locker. Please assist your child in this new procedure from outdoor to indoor shoes. We will continue to do this from late spring until early fall when the weather switches back to "boot and snow season." If we go outside and the children's outdoor shoes are quite wet, muddy or dirty, we may need to put them in the hallway for these occasions. Remember....Label, Label, Label!

We are saying a fond goodbye to Robyn for her 18 month maternity leave starting on May 24th. We wish her and her family a joyous time together. Please welcome some new educators into our K.I.D.S. Incorporated South Pointe team. Mercy (ECE II), Carolina (CCA), and Syd (CCA) are all new faces in our program. Please take a moment to greet these new additions to our team.

"Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade"

Enjoy all of your outdoor time ... whatever it may hold.



Francine Margolese ECE II
South Pointe Site Manager

South Pointe News



South Pointe Infant News

This past month, the children experienced and enjoyed lots of outdoor activities like a nature walk around the community area. The Oak Room educators planned fun activities for Easter such as Easter egg painting, activities with the sensory bins such as making Jell-O earth worms, corn-starch magic, and flower soup as well as with oats in the sensory bins with an Easter twist. The Maple Room and Willow planned spring activities such as coffee filter flowers, and planting beans and grass seeds. They also did some water table activities.

As the weather continues to warm up, please send both a sun hat and a light toque (it is still a little cool in the mornings). With the nicer weather we will be spending more time outdoors. The infants may be playing outside at pick up time so be sure to check the board to see where your child is. Please watch your e-mail for more information regarding sunscreen use in the infant program.

Dipti Bhatt – ECE III

Infant Program Supervisor



South Pointe Preschool News

April was very busy in the Preschool Program as each room held a parent night where the incredible educators showcased interest areas and the learning the children have been doing in each of the preschool rooms. The **Spruce Room** showcased the children's desire of sensory exploration by breaking down the learning done through the five senses. The **Pine Room** showcased sensory exploration with a primary focus on the importance of having different sensory bins for the children to engage in through touch and smell. The **Cedar Room** showcased relationships and the importance of cooperative experiences and opportunities to bring children together and help foster and grow their social-emotional development.

Each parent night allowed for families to explore the learning through conversation, documentation boards, videos, and pictures. Hands on experiences were provided for the families to engage with their children which allowed a snapshot into some of the experiences that the educators provide the children daily. Thank you to all the preschool families for taking time out of their busy schedules and joining us for such events! We hope to provide more of these kind of events in the future. Please continue to review the HiMamas sent home as this is one of the ways the educators showcase the continued learning that occurs here at K.I.D.S. Inc.

As the UV index has started to rise, please remember to send a labelled wide brim hat for your child to wear while playing outside. We will be using sunblock with all of the children as the UV index has started and will continue to rise over the next few months.

Kate Willcox ECE II

Preschool Supervisor

South Pointe News

SOUTH POINTE SCHOOL AGE NEWS

The weather is warming up, and the ground is finally drying up which means we are able to be outside more frequently and for longer periods of time. It can be challenging to know what kind of clothing to send your child in. At this time of year, layers are often a good idea. The mornings are usually colder and afternoons can get quite warm. Your child is often participating in active play. Since they are in constant motion and are usually running around they tend to run warmer than an adult which can often mean that an adult who is just standing needs a warm sweater but a child who is running around would overheat if wearing the sweater. We encourage the children to listen to their body and educate them to understand what their body needs. If you have specific expectations please ensure that you communicate these with your child.

Water bottles are needed. Please ensure your child has a water bottle every day to ensure that they keep hydrated, especially when outside. The school field gets hot, sun hats are also needed.

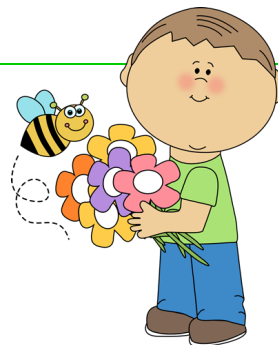
Have you taken a look at the bulletin board located in the hallway to the Tamarack Room lately? If not, please do so as this is a spot where you can find out more about what your child's group is doing while at the centre. You may see their artwork displayed, photographs of the children and write-ups about what they are doing. This is changed regularly so keep on checking.

April 26th was an in-service at the school. Ever wonder what happens on an in-service day in the school-age program? LOTS!!!! Some children went to the green park, the school-age children participated in large movement games for an hour in the morning (Mission impossible tag, Bump, Fools' gold, relay races and more!) Then there was baking, dough making, art projects and lots more outside time. And that is just a snippet. Our educators worked hard to plan a varied and engaging day for the children.

Lisa Klassen ECE III
School age supervisor

What did the mother worm say to the little worm who was late?

"Where in earth have you been?"



Why did the bird go to the hospital?

It needed tweetment!

Montrose Site News

Glenlea Plant Delivery Date is May 24th

**Parking**

Please help keep our parking lot safe for children and families, and the bus loop clear for school buses or emergencies by parking in designated parking spots or on the street. The bus loop should not be used for parking.



PRESCHOOL NEWS

The slow melting snow provided an exciting environment for the children to explore last month. Children found long sticks to poke into a deep puddle of water. They churned up the mud pretending to fish—and pulled twigs and grass from the bottom of the puddle.



They cracked the ice by jumping on it with all their might to get to the water below.

They experimented whether objects would sink or float.

They discovered the thrill and the panic of getting a boot stuck in the mud, or the icy water sloshing over top of a boot.

Our play yard and community walks were different every day as the snow melted leaving puddles, mud, our sand box, and grass to roll around on.



If you would like to donate a plant for our gardens after the May long week-end, please talk to an educator and we can plant it for you, or give you the tools to plant the flower or vegetable with your child.

