

November 2023



Have you got your Grey **Cup Pool tickets?**

There are still 7 packs of 10 available to help fundraise. You can also buy singles and they are available in the office.

Horizon's Grace

NOTES FROM ERIN:

Well, fall was beautiful but it's feeling more wintery lately and since we do live in Winnipeg, we plan to embrace it with open arms.

EEEK, we need your help to keep track of all the winter gear, please label all items with your child's name, It's also a good idea to send two "water-proof" pairs of mittens as they do get wet in the morning. We typically make our way out twice a day when the windchill allows and the mittens aren't typically dry by the afternoon. Labelling every item

in your child's locker will help us greatly, please!



Last month staff from all three locations attended the Pedagogical Institute titled, "Creating a culture of reflective practice." I was so excited to learn the theme of the weekend, as it's something that we have been working on. It was an excellent opportunity to learn and network with other like-minded professionals in the field. Having the opportunity for all of our team to hear the same message simultaneously was extremely

valuable and we will use that inspiration to help us guide our own professional practice and pedagogy at Horizon's. Thank you for supporting our team attending together.

If you have Grey Cup tickets, please return any unsold tickets by November 8th, so that we can redistribute them for sale. Ticket stubs and payment should be returned to the office no later than **Friday November 17, 2023** to be included in the draw!

Looking ahead to December, we will be closed on December 25th, December 26th and January 1st. We are open all other days. Please note that we will close at 5pm on Friday, December 15th for our staff holiday celebration. Please make arrangements to pick your child up by 5pm at the very latest!

I have featured the Fireflies group this month in the Bulletin Board section of the news letter and The Caterpillars and The Crickets will be featured in the following months. Stay tuned for more group specific content. If you have not already, request a follow from our Instagram account for the room your child attends. Information is in the right column.

-Erin

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The Fireflies

This month group has been interested in the enclosing schema and have used many mediums to construct all sorts of things including boats, hotels, forts and cities.

Another important aspect of the play has been co-operation, social justice and saving their work in creative ways to continue play after transitions.

Hot Lunch Fundraiser

Twice a month we will serve an optional Hot Lunch at an additional charge. There is a sign up on the clipboard by the locker room gate.

You can also email up until the Friday before hot lunch.

Wednesday, November 8th (\$6.50)

Meatballs and rice, veggies, fruit and milk

Wednesday, November 22nd (\$6.50)

Chicken burgers, veggies, fruit and milk

\$6.50 will be added for each hot lunch that you have signed up for on the next invoice.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Report

November 2023

The first flakes of snow fell at the end of October and it is time to settle in to a new season once again!

A big thank you to all families who have picked up Grey Cup Tickets to sell in support of our programs.

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers are in the Western Conference final on November 11, 2023, and if they win this game, they are off to play in their 4th consecutive Grey Cup Game on November 19th!

Prize winners will be notified during the week of November 20-24th.

For those who are not CFL fans, we will begin our annual fundraiser with Shelmerdine's Garden Centre on Monday, November 13th!

This provides you with an opportunity to purchase vouchers for wreaths, door swag, poinsettias, and gift cards to be used at Shelmerdine's as we head into the holiday season.

Watch your emails for a link to purchase online with a credit card, or to print the attached order form for payments by cash, cheque or e-transfer. More details to come!

The work on the heating system is near completion at the Hampton site, and our repainting of the entire centre began on October 30th! As each classroom is being painted, the group from each room will be in the gym for the day. We are excited to have a fresh new look on our walls!

Immediately following the painting, we will begin replacement of the floors in all classrooms. Again, as flooring replacement happens in each room, care will be provided in the gym for that group.

Lots of changes, but all for the better!

Our staff team participated in the Manitoba Child Care Association Pedagogical Institute October 12-14th. It was a heartwarming opportunity to network with educators from across the Province around the true meaning of care, and how we bring care to our programs.

A truly "cup-filling" experience for us all!

As we head into the holiday season, we will be setting up Amazon Wishlist for our families again this year!

While we always appreciate the treats, coffee and snacks that families bring for the teams, there are times where we have more then we can possibly eat! A purchase from our Amazon wish lists for the classrooms is always well received by our staff as well. If you are looking for a way to extend your appreciation and well wishes to our amazing group of educators, purchasing an item from our wish lists is a convenient alternative!

We will be closing at 5pm on Friday, December 15, 2023 to celebrate our hard working, and much appreciated team of educators across all three sites with a catered dinner and quiz night, complete with a new hoodie with our new logo embroidered on it! Thank you so much for making appropriate pick-up arrangements in order for everyone on our teams to be able to attend, participate, and enjoy visiting together.

As always, thank you for the gift of sharing your children's lives, growth, challenges and successes with us each day!

"The way we talk to our children becomes their inner voice" – Peggy O'Mara

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Spirit Week	30 20231112 Invoices due		1 Pajama Day!	2 Halloween Mural	3 Sports	4
5	6	7	8 Hot lunch	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	Hot lunch	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Please check out the regular closure dates for 2023. Mark your calendars and watch for updates throughout the year.

January 2, 2023	New Year's Day: Closed in lieu of	
February 20, 2023	Louis Riel Day: Closed	
April 7, 2023	Good Friday: Closed	
April 24-28, 2023	Week of the Early Childhood Educator	
April 28th, 2023	Closed for Staff Professional Development	
May 22, 2023	Victoria Day: Closed	
May 23, 2023	Annual General meeting	
June 15, 2023	Annual Family BBQ	
July 3, 2023	Canada Day: Closed in lieu of	
August 7, 2023	Terry Fox Day: Closed	
September 4, 2023	Labour Day: Closed	
Sat, September 30, 2023	Truth and Reconciliation Day, no closure	
October 9, 2023	Thanksgiving Day: Closed	
October 13, 2023	Closed for Staff Prof Development	
Sat, November 11, 2023	Remembrance Day, no closure	
Fri, December 15,	Centre CLOSED at 5pm for staff holiday	
2023	celebration.	
Mon, December	Closed Christmas Day	
25, 2023		
Tues, December 26, 2023	Closed Boxing Day	
Mon, Jan 1, 2024	New Year's Day: Closed	

Horizons Children's Centre Inc. Grace Location Billing Schedule 2023

Invoice sent the week of:	Payment is required on: Mondays	For the period of:	
December 19/22	December 26/23	January 8- February 4	20230108
January 16/23	January 23/23	February 5- March 4	20230205
February 13/23	February 20/23	March 5-April 1	20230305
March 13/23	March 20/23	April 2- April 29	20230402
April 10/23	April 17/23	April 30 May 27	20230430
May 8/23	May 15/23	May 28-June 24	20230528
June 5/23	June 12/23	June 25-July 22	20230625
July 3/23	July 10/23	July 23- August 19	20230723
July 31/23	August 7/23	August 20-September 16	20230820
August 28/23	September 4/23	September 17-October 14	20230917
September 25/23	October 2/23	October 15-November 11	20231015
October 23/23	October 30/23	November 12- December 9	20231112
November 20/23	November 27/23	December 10- January 6	20231210
December 18/23	December 25/23	January 7- February 3	20240107