



**Tomorrow's Topkids Child Care Society**  
**Caring for Children since 1994**

**November/December 2017 Newsletter**

**This is important, please have someone translate if necessary.**

重要通知，如有需要請尋求翻譯，通知如下。

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

Tomorrow's Topkids Child Care Centers will support and strengthen the family unit by providing a safe and stimulating environment for children. Children will be encouraged to try new experiences, taught the value of self and every person and provided with opportunity to acquire skills for tomorrow's world.

**OUR CHILD CARE PHILOSOPHY**

- ❖ We believe all families have the right to accessible, affordable neighborhood services.
- ❖ We believe all children have the right to loving, caring and qualified caregivers.
- ❖ We believe a holistic approach to childcare better meets the needs of the whole child: their physical, their intellectual, their emotional and their social development.

Children are a product of their environment;  
It is our objective to create a wholesome, caring and stimulating environment.

**What's inside?**

Leaders and Junior Staff Program Updates

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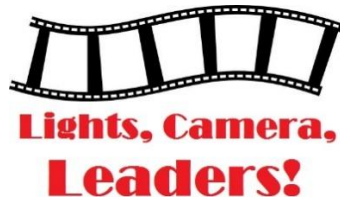
Winter Break 2017 Information

Winter Break Registration Begins November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

## Leaders . . .

*As part of the “Community and School Awareness” component each Leader is encouraged to give a minimum of three (3) hours of their time, to do good deeds for their school or community. The activities are coordinated through the center Supervisor, but it is the Leader’s responsibility to search for, follow through and complete the task.*

For the Leaders who complete all their volunteer work by January 31, 2017 and remain a Leader in good standing an “Appreciation Dinner” is planned for February 2017.



## Junior Staff . . .

The goal of the Junior Staff program is to provide the older children in our centers with the opportunity to gain work experience and learn responsibility.

Our Junior Staff have agreed to be responsible for specific duties that range from cleaning, assisting with the younger children, and supervising younger participants on field trips to answering the phone. The regular staff considers the work of the Junior Staff a valuable asset to their programs as it allows them to free up more of their time to concentrate on the other children.

### Say hello to our Junior Staff . . .

- **Ferris:** Kacey Cheng, Philip Wu, and Natalia Coelho
- **Grauer:** Samantha Teo, Kieran Foster, and Steven Cheng
  - **Jessie Wowk:** Sophie Kim
  - **McKinney:** Thomas Huang
- **Westwind:** Bronwyn Arkesteijn, Ella Hugh, Olivia Grill and Yona Berger
- **Spul’u’kwuks:** Katie Bollo, Melinda Au-Yeung, Alex An and Devyn Gear
  - **MacCorkindale:** Angel Pierard-Evans

### GUESS which former Junior Staff worked in Summer Adventures 2017:

- ❖ **Deanica Galo** (from Ferris) - This was her 5th summer.
- ❖ **Taiki Matsunuma** (from Westwind) - This was his 2nd summer
- ❖ **Nadia Claypack** (from Errington) - This was her 3rd summer
- ❖ **Megan Mar** (from Westwind) – This was her 1<sup>st</sup> summer
- ❖ **Megan Howells** (from Grauer) – This was her 1<sup>st</sup> summer
- ❖ **Justin Martin** (from Ferris) – This was his 1<sup>st</sup> summer
- ❖ **Zack Claypack** (from Errington) – This was his 1<sup>st</sup> summer
- ❖ **Tyler Howarth** (from Westwind) – This was his 1<sup>st</sup> summer

**We pride ourselves on hiring our own “trainees”.**

*Deanica Galo and Taiki Matsunuma were also recipients of our Education Bursary*

# TOMORROW'S TOPKIDS

# EDUCATION BURSARY

A non-repayable gift to be awarded to a previous Tomorrow's Topkids participant to honor student excellence and enable them to pursue post-secondary education at an accredited institution. The emphasis of the bursary is on social merit.

Financial need will be a consideration but not a qualifying condition

## BURSARIES RANGING IN SIZE UP TO \$1,000.00 CAN BE AWARDED TO QUALIFYING STUDENTS

### APPLICATION PERIOD

For students starting studies  
in September: **June 1 to July 15**  
Notification: First week of August

For students starting studies  
in January: **October 1 to November 10**  
Notification: Last week of November

For students starting studies  
in May: **February 1 to March 15**  
Notification: Last week of March



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## **ADVANCE NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

On occasion, it may be necessary to close centers due to heavy snowfall or inclement weather whereby the facilities are not available for our use or the Ministry of Transportation declares the roads unsafe. During snow events it is common for police and other authorities to advise people to avoid unnecessary travel.

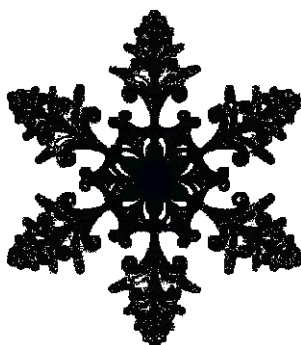
We will make every attempt to continue to provide you with the most up to date information available regarding closures in the event of unforeseen circumstances. Should the Richmond School District deem it necessary to close schools our child care centers will be closed.

In the event of snow, the decision to close schools is made by 6:00am and announced via the following outlets:

CKNW AM 980 radio  
CKWX AM 1130 radio  
CBC AM 690 radio  
Fairchild CJVBAM 1470 radio  
CHQM FM 103.5 radio  
CBC television  
Global, City TV and CTV BC

In addition, a scrolling notice is placed on the school district web site: [www.sd39.bc.ca](http://www.sd39.bc.ca)

Our office voice message will also be updated in the case of closures as will our web site. The office number is 604 437 4744 and our web site is [www.ttk.org](http://www.ttk.org)














# Winter **BREAK 2017**

## Registration begins November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

Hours	COST
8:00am-5:30pm	Full-time participants \$5 per day  Part-time or drop-in participants \$40 per day or \$170 for all days
<b>CLOSED Monday December 25 and Tuesday December 26</b>	
<b>CLOSED January 01</b>	

### Schedule of Events

“Holiday” Week				
December 25	December 26	December 27	December 28	December 29
Christmas Day CLOSED	Boxing Day CLOSED	Eggtastic Bunny Bonanza 	Xs, Os, and Spaghetti-Os  We're off to Old Spaghetti Factory for Lunch	 Spooky Surprise Wear a costume!
Summer in January				
January 01	January 02	January 03	January 04	January 05
CLOSED  Happy New Year!	Aloha! New Year New Luau 	Castles in the Sand  We're off to 6-Pack Indoor Beach!	Summer Camp-Out  Hot Dogs for Lunch	It's a Pool Party!   Swimming at Watermania And Bowling at Lucky 9 Lanes

\*Calendar subject to change without notice