

## October Newsletter 2014

Welcome to the wonderful month of October! So many exciting activities and special days that evolve with the changing seasons and children's interests. Our programming is based on an emergent curriculum. We observe and document children's play. From this starting point we then encourage our children to discover their world and we try to focus our monthly centers based on the children's interests.

We are having a Come and Go Family Meet and Greet wiener roast at Strathcona Park on Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup> from 5-6:30 pm.(weather permitting) Please sign up on the poster near the sign in and out book and bring the entire family out for a night of fun.

We would like to give a *HUGE* Thank-You to all of our families who supported us for our fall cookie dough fundraiser. We raised **\$2080.00**☺, by far one of the most successful fundraisers we have ever participated in. We will be using some of the profits to continue having Andrew Plait Productions visit us each month with his fun and entertaining music and movement sessions.

Thank you, for bringing in your "beautiful stuff". The children had an opportunity to touch, sort, talk, and create with the items they have brought in. This is an ongoing project for the year and is based on a workshop that our staff was fortunate to have presented at our centre in 2012.

### **News from the classrooms**

#### **Forest Friends**

September was a fun month! We enjoyed getting to know all our new friends and new teachers. A highlight from September was our field trip to the Windmill Garden Center where we purchased a cactus for our desert naturarium. For the month of October we look forward to exploring fall through different art and baking activities, nature walks and field trips. We will be going to Police Point Park and the Market Center. We will end the month with a fun Halloween Party.

#### **Jungle Room**

The children in the Jungle Room are very excited about the changing season. We asked the children, "Why this season is called Fall?" to which Jonah replied, "Because the leaves are falling." So there you have it, the reason for the season. October brings Thanksgiving, pumpkins, costumes and candy, and with this in mind we will be doing many fall, pumpkin, and Halloween activities throughout the month. Our field trips will be to the library for story time, the market center for a pumpkin, and Hit the Floor Dance Studio. For Halloween Day please remember NO costumes, we will be having a pajama day for our Halloween Party. Have a great month!

Staff of Mother Nature's Preschool



