

INFANTS



Infant 1 _ Happy New Year! Welcome 2022! Last year in 2021, We had many interesting topics that we explored together as a class such as animals, families, transportation,

the four seasons in a year and the holidays that we celebrate in December. Infants learned the names of body parts and how important the five senses are. They enjoyed colouring, decorating and painting the body parts which

will enhance their fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination.

We would like to welcome Agastya and Nico to Infant 1 who joined us recently. In 2022, We look forward to learning, exploring and bringing new activities for the children.



Infant 2 _ The month of December has been an exciting one! We were very excited to welcome Logan to our classroom with a lot of smiles and hugs. In December, we had introduced the topic of

plants. Our favourite topic so far was fruits, we learned what it takes to grow and care for these delicious foods we eat every day. One of our favourite activities that we did was that we planted a seed into the soil and then water it. This was a new start of the Infant 2 class plant and we are very excited to watch it grow in the New Year.



As we look back on the year 2021, the children of Infant 2 had a great time learning their numbers, the alphabet, singing songs and dancing to them. The month of December had brought us joy and laughter as we were preparing for Christmas, such as wearing out comfiest Christmas pyjamas, making Santa Hats and wearing them in the classroom, and preparing special gifts for parents to remember over the years! The class of Infant 2 is happy to end the year with joy, smiles and laughter, as we

welcome 2022 with open arms!



TODDLERS



Toddler 1 _ Welcome to the first month of the new year. In December, we focused on our project 'Animals' and continued it for a few weeks. In this project, we have performed many

activities which developed the overall skills among children. We did sea, wild, farm and baby animals and also did animals habitat. We also did some Christmas activities like we made Christmas cards, Christmas ornaments and also wrote a letter to our soldier and along with some artwork. For our next project, we are

planning to do 'family' as some children are on vacation and visiting their grandparents for Christmas and new year. When they will come back we can discuss their family vacation and what they did?



Toddler 2 _ During January, we will continue to focus on the topic of transportation as children continue to show interest in learning about cars and other vehicles. They liked to explore the different shapes and patterns of cars and trucks.

They got excited to see the garbage trucks and

how it works when it arrives. Some children would also point to the garbage truck to get their friends' attention when it arrived. As the new year approaches, we continue to observe the interest of the children and plan activities that will foster their exploration, investigation and expand their thinking, while continuing to provide a nurturing and safe environment.



Toddler 3 _ Our class is focusing on animals. we will continue to learn and discuss more animals. we are learning about farm animals, jungle animals, water animals, pets, reptiles, birds, insects and many more.

Learning about animals has become more fun with various songs and art activities. Children love to do the colouring in their favourite animal and dancing to songs like the chicken song, gummy bear song, baby shark, bingo.



Toddler 4 _ Happy New year! Throughout December our project topic was Animals. We covered the different types of animals, their habitats and what they eat. The children were excited to see their favourite animals as we implement various open-ended activities. They were also intrigued by the new animals, mostly the dinosaurs. In addition, the children were also enthusiastic about making their

Christmas activities and videos for their families.

For January as we implement activities based on the interest of the children our animal project might transition into food as a few of the children were attentive to what animals eat and how much do they eat.

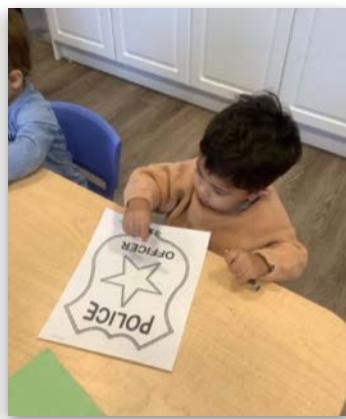




Toddler 5 _ Welcome to the first month of the year. It's hard to believe that we are already in a new year. Hope this year brings happiness to everyone's lives. Toddler 5 is growing day by day

and we are having more new friends in class. We would like to welcome our new friends and wish them a happy new year. In December we continued our transportation project, and all

the toddlers did so well and showed a lot of interest in playing with bikes, trucks, road signs. They were so engaged in the different transportation activities that enhanced their problem-solving skills, colour and number recognition and relating toys to real-life objects and use. Seeing that the children were interested in the different modes of transportation and how they are used. We will try to further their exploration in January as we observe what transportation is like in different countries.



PRESCHOOLERS



Preschool 3 _ We ended off the month of December with the knowledge of the winter season. We learned all about the different weather in winter, winter sports, types of food we eat during the winter/Christmas holiday.

For January, we are going to be learning about different types of transportation. The children have been very interested in different types of transportation by playing with the toy cars during free play and looking at the

airplanes outside. We will be going over water transportation, land vehicles and air transportation and expanding from there based on their interests.



Preschool 4 _ We have come to the end of another beautiful year. Preschool 4 has had a wonderful December filled with exciting and engaging learning activities. The children especially enjoyed participating in all the holiday/winter-themed activities as we concluded our topic on *Seasons and Weathers*.

For January, our new topic will be *Community Workers/Helpers*. We are eager to expand the learning of the children of Preschool 4 on the important roles and services of workers from various industries such as health and food. We will implement



activities that will foster creativity and discussions as children will be involved in learning opportunities that will help them to understand and appreciate the jobs of various community workers and how vital their roles are in the sustenance of our communities. Sub-topics will be implemented based on the interest of the children as we aim to implement

developmentally appropriate activities that will further develop their cognitive, language, emotional, social and physical skills through the use of open-ended materials.



Preschool 5 _ Happy January! In the month of December, the PK 5 focused on winter and Christmas! We observed and read winter pictures shown (ex. snow angels, shovel, mittens, and ice) then discussed about types of activities we can do in the winter.

We have also been busy with science experiments! The children absolutely loved the magic milk experiment; Snowstorm in a Jar,

Rain Cloud in a Jar. They also enjoyed the Snow Flake Coffee filter.

We have also been working hard on our counting and fine motor skills. The children have engaged in multiple activities that allow them to enhance skills such as lacing, writing, and cutting with children's scissors.

Everyone has been having so much fun this month with all of our different activities. We love exploring and learning new things with our classmates, we can't wait to continue learning and growing in January!





Preschool 6 _ 2021
has been a year filled with new achievements and learning ventures. We can't believe it is already a new year. Wow how the times have flown and the kids are growing. We are excited for the New Year, our preschoolers have been filling our halls with love and joy to bring in a prosperous New year. We have just finished Christmas crafts, preparations and decorations; with our New

Year program approaching, we could not be more excited to share with you all the hard work the children have been doing. We have been focusing on different seasons in December, we will continue focusing on our season project and monthly festivities for January! We cannot wait to see all that our preschoolers will achieve in the coming year!



KINDERGARTEN



Kindergarten 1 _
Welcome January and Happy New Year! Wishing all children and their families a great fun-filled year ahead! As the weather is changing into colder days, please remember to bring winter

clothing to the Centre (hats, mittens, snow pants, jackets and neck warmers).

In Kinder 1 we will continue to learn as well as wrap up our ongoing project of seasons. We have learned about Spring weather, growing plants, sorting fruits and vegetables, exploring seeds and many more fun activities.



During circle time, we discussed the weather and how the different types of weather make us feel. We also learned about different parts of a plant and how a plant grows. We discussed what types of Spring fruits and vegetables there are.

Next month we will be moving on to a new ongoing project and learning about different types of Animals. We will learn about zoo animals, ocean animals, farm animals, safari animals, desert animals and pet-friendly animals. We will learn about the habitats, where the animals live and their life cycles.



Kindergarten 2 _ In



December, we had so much fun. For craft, we enjoyed doing different Christmas activities like it was fun decorating gingerbread house, Christmas ornaments.

Besides this, we also enjoyed our Christmas concert. we had fun singing Christmas songs and enjoyed dancing on the Christmas hokey pokey song. . This past month was so much fun and we are so excited for the new year as we will learn new things in a fun way. As we are moving in January we will be continuing our project on Food. The children were discussing the different food they had so we will be focusing on the different types of food, what nutrition we get from them and how they help our body to grow.



EVENT CALENDAR



- **January 1** New Year's Day
- **January 4** National Spaghetti Day
- **January 7** Orthodox Christmas



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



January 1 st – Leo (Tod5)	January 17 th – Hailey (Pk6)
January 2 nd – Yuvan (Tod 2)	January 18 th – Trung (Pk5)
January 4 th – Nalah (PK6)	January 22 nd – Emilia (PK5) & Meera (Tod2)
January 5 th – Veronica (Tod5) & Manjaap (Pk5)	January 24 th – Noah (PK4)
January 7 th – Jade (PK1)	January 25 th – Jonathan (K1)
January 9 th – Lyanna (K2)	January 26 th – Sujay (K1)
January 11 th – Ace (PK5)	January 28 th – Sky (Tod3)
January 12 th – Yuvan, Viraj & Karina (K2)	January 29 th – Aurora (Tod1) & Rayan (Tod2)
January 14th – Jacob (K2)	January 30 th – Juliet (Pk6)
January 15 th – Kavish (Tod2)	

SUPERVISOR

2021 was nothing but eventful, we look forward to starting a new year full of new opportunities and adventures with you. Look out for future events we have planned for 2022.

We would like to congratulate Ms. Pawan on her new position at Lullaboo as an Early Childhood Specialist who will be provided support to two locations.

Thank you for your continuous support and understanding during drop-off and pick-up.

Please ensure you are completing the COVID-19 screening before drop off and calling the classroom to get them ready for pick up.

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Try this simple science experiment using materials from your kitchen cupboard.

When you place an egg in a cup of water it sinks to the bottom because the egg is more dense than the water. Get kids thinking and learning by asking them if there is anything they can add to the water to make an egg float.

Materials needed: cups, water, raw eggs; ingredients to test—oil, salt, coffee and sugar

Place an egg in a cup and cover it with water. Then let kids choose ingredients from the kitchen to see if they can make the egg float. Do you have a prediction about what happened when we added each?



Try doing a science experiment by making a snow storm in a jar. This activity demonstrates simple science process. Children can observe the reaction that took place and the result.

Materials needed: Oil (vegetable oil or baby oil), White Washable School Paint, Alka Seltzer Tablets, Cup, Jar, or Bottle.

Add 1 cup of water to the vase or large jar. Mix in 1 tsp of paint (acrylic glitter paint works well too). Then pour oil in almost to the top of the container. Break the Alka seltzer tablet into pieces and drop one at a time into the oil. You may want to add additional pieces for a blizzard!

Observe the reaction that takes place.



Dear Lullaboo families,

Hope you enjoyed the winter holidays while staying safe. I want to take this opportunity to once again thank you for working with us to keep COVID-19 out of Lullaboo.

We continue to work closely with Public Health to help keep Lullaboo safe.

Public Health Guidelines

It is essential that we all continue to adhere to public health guidelines over the break, particularly with the recent rise in COVID-19 cases and information about the omicron variant. As always, we will continue to keep you updated as new information becomes available.

The holidays may look a little different again this year and we understand that there may be challenges, but we encourage all families to consider how we can work together to make this time as safe as possible and start 2022 off right.

Returning from Travel

We appreciate that some families have planned vacations over this time, and encourage you to continue to check travel advisories and requirements from the Government of Canada. It is important that families adhere to all testing and self-isolation requirements following travel, to help us protect the health and safety of our students and staff.

Screening Requirements upon Return daily to Centre

Please continue to complete your iCare screening each morning upon returning to centre.



Message from the Minister of Education

In addition, please read this

- [Message from the Minister of Education](#)

Messages from York Region Public Health

Please read the following messages and updates from

York Region Public Health:

- [Letter to Families](#)
- [Backpack Health Chat Newsletter](#)
- [Information about the Beary Beachy COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic](#)

Return to Centre in January

We are hopeful that the centres will open in January, as we have seen the joy and great learning that happens when children come together.

We wish you all a healthy, safe and restful time, and if you and your family are celebrating, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and happy holiday season.

Irini Mikhael, RECE, P.Eng, PMP
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Lullaboo's Annual Food & Toy Drive

Tis the Season for Giving 🎄

Lullaboo families and staff have come together for the annual Food & Toy Drive.

We Appreciate and Thank All the Children, Families and Staff who Donated This Month.



If anyone would like to donate, here are a few places our centres donated to:

- Cambridge:** Monica-Ainslie Place
- Vaughn:** City of Vaughn Toy Drive
- Richmond Hill:** Richmond Hill Fire Station
- Brampton - Queen:** Centres For Families
- Brampton - Churchill:** Knight's Table
- Mississauga:** Eden Food for Change
- Bradford:** Simcoe Paramedic Services
- Toronto:** Daily Bread



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