



THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING  
YOUR COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL'S PRESCHOOL  
OF THE ARTS PROGRAM

**Enclosed you will find:**

Information brochure  
Policy information  
Registration Form  
Sample Timetable

**To register your child:**

Please complete the registration forms and return them to the Community Arts Council of Prince George at 2820 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Please include:

- \$20.00 registration fee
- First and lasts months fee paid in full upon registration
- Fees and remaining payments may be paid by postdated cheques, Visa or MasterCard. The fees will be charged to your account the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. Receipts will be issued for income tax purposes in December and June.

Please feel free to call the office if you have any questions  
PH: 250 562-4526 FAX: 250 562-0436

**"OPENING DOORS TO CREATIVE LEARNING"**



## **SAMPLE TIMETABLE**

### **8:50am**

Boot room open, parents will need to stay with their child until 9:00 when preschool opens.

### **9:00 am**

Preschool open, Exploration. Free choice of constructed work or play activity. Creative art projects, such as painting, drawing, sculpting with play dough, or your child may choose to go to the block area, housekeeping, working at the puzzle table, exploring the sand box or sharing a story with a friend.

### **9:40am**

Five more minutes until clean-up announced. Through the singing of a song the children are warned that we'll be putting the toys away soon.

### **9:45am**

Clean-up. We all work together. Bathroom jobs, the children will all go to the bathroom at this time.

### **10:00am**

Group/outside time. Creative movement, music dance or drama classes / outside activity.

### **10:30am**

Snack time. Good nutrition is emphasized, independence encouraged.

Once The children are finished snack they look at books from the library shelf until everyone is finished snack.

### **11:00am Circle Time**

This is our time for songs, finger plays, word and number games, storytelling and other meaningful discussions with the children.

### **11:30am Good-bye time**

Preschool of the Arts has a set schedule/routine that we follow daily. The children learn our routines and can anticipate "what is happening next". At times there may be slight changes in our routine to accommodate special events, visitors and needs of the children.

Preschool of the arts is a full preschool program incorporating the alphabet, numbers, the seasons, months of the year, days of the month, listening skills, working with peers and more, while exploring the many facets of the arts from the finer topics of visual to pottery, literary as well as an introduction to the many creative people within our community including the following:

**PROGRAM SESSIONS/FEEES**

Please check the session(s) you want		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>3-5 year olds</b>		
Monday, Wednesday & Friday	9:00am – 11:30am	\$150/month
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  - ❖ There is no reduction in the monthly fee for vacation time, or Christmas break
  - ❖ \$25.00 will be charged for any N.S.F. cheques

**POLICIES**

These policies are intended to serve as a guideline in the development of a satisfactory preschool arrangement. It is to help us openly discuss expectations and responsibilities in providing an environment that promotes optimum growth, development, and well-being of the child. Preschool of the Arts meets the standards set by the Community Care Facility Licensing Board.

**ENROLMENT GUIDELINES**

- ❖ The ages of the children enrolled in the Preschool of the Arts range from 3-5 years.
- ❖ Child must be a minimum of 34 months of age.
- ❖ All children must be toilet trained.
- ❖ We reserve the right to determine suitability and readiness of the child within the program. We also maintain the right that any child not suitable or ready for the program may be asked to withdraw.
- ❖ Please dress your child in comfortable play clothes and appropriate for the weather.
- ❖ Inside shoes must be worn by the children at all times. These may be left at the Preschool of the Arts.
- ❖ Please provide non-marking shoes.
- ❖ Please label all your child’s clothing.
- ❖ A change of clothes stored in the child’s backpack is a good idea.
- ❖ If field trips are planned which are not within walking distance, we will call upon parents to help us out to drive.

## Please send the following:

- Healthy peanut free snack
- Indoor shoes
- Change of clothes
- Clothes for outside
- Water bottle to keep at the preschool

## Please leave at home:

- Toys from home unless they are requested for our Special Days
- War toys or guns - preschool is a safe, weapons free environment
- Candies or gum

## Outside Policy

When we are not in an art session we will be outside during our group time activity, weather permitting. Please send appropriate clothing.

Weather conditions when we will not be going outside

Below -15

Strong winds

Rainy or very wet.

Blizzard

Icy

Please be prepared for the weather everyday

## EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

Fire Drill will be practiced monthly. In the case of an emergency and we need to evacuate the building, children will be taken to Jack Bryan room and parents will be contacted.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Preschool of the Arts operates September – June. The program will follow School District 57 holidays, it is closed all statutory holidays, Christmas Holidays. Please adhere to the regular scheduled class times. If there is a problem please call to discuss this with the staff.

## SNACKS

The children are requested to bring a small nutritious snack from home each day. Good nutrition is emphasized at all times. We discourage sweet treats on a regular basis. We save these for special occasions such as, Christmas, Halloween, Valentines, etc. If a child in the program has any food allergies we will inform the families and ask for that particular food(s) not be brought into the program.

## WITHDRAWAL

You may withdraw from the program at any time. One month notice of withdrawal is required. A withdrawal form needs to be filled out at the registration office. Fees are still applied on a monthly basis. If your child attends one or more days during that month you will be charged for the entire month. Remaining months will be refunded.

Welcome to



WHERE WE ARE...

***"opening doors to creative learning"***

prince george & district  
community  
**arts**  
council

## **BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT**

Preschool of the Arts is a safe environment for children. We use positive methods and approaches to guidance and discipline. We believe each child is an individual and will differ in activity level, interests, concentration, sensitivity and level of development. We as Early Childhood Educators accept this individuality and use a number of different guidance techniques.

Children are made aware of our rules, guidelines, and boundaries at the onset of the program and are reminded of them regularly. They are given some input into these guidelines and consequences of undesirable behavior.

At Preschool of the Arts, praise, encouragement, modeling, setting consistent limits and effective communication are used at every opportunity. Our goal is to guide the children in a positive manner and to provide them the tools to solve conflicts that may arise. The following techniques are used at all times within the preschool:

- a) Setting clear, consistent, and guidelines
- b) Remind, redirect, remove (from play environment)
- c) Stating limits in a positive way
- d) Focusing on the behavior rather than the child
- e) Offering choices
- f) Natural and logical consequences
- g) Reinforcing appropriate behaviors

## **CONFLICT RESOLUTION POLICY**

Preschool of the Arts recognizes that conflict is a natural part of relationships between people. In order to deal with conflicts that arise between the children in our care, we have adopted the following policies:

1. In the event of a dispute between children the staff shall follow these steps to reduce the negative effects of the conflict:
  - ❖ Staff will immediately stop the conflict and calm the involved children
  - ❖ In the event of physical action between the children, staff shall first assess then treat any possible injuries
  - ❖ Once the children are calm and separated, staff shall engage children in a conflict resolution process
  - ❖ Each child will be asked, in turn to explain the problem and their feelings about the conflict
  - ❖ The children (and staff) will present possible solutions to the conflict and/or more effective ways to deal with a similar conflict in the future
  - ❖ All parties will agree on a solution to the conflict and consequences if the solution is not adopted
  - ❖ Staff will monitor the problem to ensure that the solution is adopted and conflict resolved, repeating the conflict resolution process if necessary
2. Staff will inform parents or guardians in the event that their child is involved in a conflict that requires the implementation of the conflict resolution process.
3. Staff recognizes that not all children are suited to the program. Staff also recognizes that they may not have the expertise or resources to deal with all possible problems that may arise. As a last resource, staff reserves the right to remove the child from the center.



**SICK POLICY**

This program has a goal to provide a healthy, germ free environment for our staff and children. In addition to the registration policies we have adopted the following sick child policies.

<b>Responsibilities of Parent</b>	<b>Responsibilities of Preschool of the Arts</b>
Parents will inform this facility of a serious illness or contagious disease in the family.	Staff will report a case of communicable disease to the Public Health Nurse within 24 hours.
Parents will ensure that the child is free of symptoms before returning to the program. This may require a doctor’s approval in the case of communicable disease.	Staff will notify parents immediately if a child becomes ill or injured. If a parent cannot be reached, the emergency contact person will be notified.
Medications will be administered by parent only. Exception to asthma medication.	If emergency contact persons cannot be reached, staff will contact a physician or ambulance if necessary. All costs incurred are the responsibility of the parents or guardian.
Parents will keep, or take, a child home if the child has one or more of the symptoms listed in this policy (see below).	Staff will provide a quiet, supervised area for a child who becomes sick while at this facility. Parent will be contacted immediately for pick up of child.
Parents will provide information on the care of a recuperating child when the child returns to the center, providing that the child is able to continue with the program.	Staff will maintain valid First Aid Certificate at all times.

You are required to keep (or take) a child home when the child is suffering from one or more than the following symptoms or is not well enough to take part in the regular program of the Preschool of the Arts.

Complaints of unexplained or undiagnosed pain

- ❖ Acute cold with fever, runny noses and eyes, coughing and sore throat
- ❖ Difficulty in breathing-wheezing or persistent cough
- ❖ Acute, unexplained fever
- ❖ Sore throat or trouble swallowing
- ❖ Severe itching of body and scalp, infected eyes or an undiagnosed rash
- ❖ Headache and stiff neck
- ❖ Unexplained diarrhea or loose stool combined with nausea, vomiting or abdominal cramps
- ❖ Children with known or suspected communicable diseases

**ULTIMATELY, THE CARE OF THE CHILD IS THE PARENTS OR GUARDIANS RESPONSIBILITY.**

If your child is unable to participate in all of the preschool activities they should remain home.



**REGISTRATION 2010-2011**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Child's name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Name child responds to: \_\_\_\_\_ Language spoken at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male / Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents or Guardians living in the home:**

#1: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person authorized to pick up the child? YES / NO

#2: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person authorized to pick up the child? YES / NO

**Parents living outside the home:**

#1: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person authorized to pick up the child? YES / NO

#2: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person authorized to pick up the child? YES / NO

Is there any current custody agreement that you wish us to be aware of? Provide documentation if necessary.

**Emergency Contacts:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

**Persons Authorized to pick up your child:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work#: \_\_\_\_\_

**Names and Ages of siblings living in the home:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male / Female

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Has your child previously attended a daycare? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your child previously attended a preschool? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you think your child will be comfortable leaving his/her parents? \_\_\_\_\_

Words your child uses for toileting? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any past or present medical, physical or emotional issues that we should be aware of for the betterment of your child's care? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have?

Vision problems: Y/N

Allergies: Y/N

Hearing problems: Y/N

Speech/language issues: Y/N

Does your child have any dietary issues that we should be aware of?

\_\_\_\_\_

Does your child take any daily medication?

\_\_\_\_\_

HAS YOUR CHILD RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING IMMUNIZATIONS?

Indicate by circling X

Basic Immunization Schedule					
	2mo	4mo	6mo	12mo	18mo
Diphtheria	X	X	X		X
Pertussis	X	X	X		X
Tetanus	X	X	X		X
Poliomielitus	X	X			X
Measles				X	
Mumps				X	
Rubella				X	
Haemophilus Influenza Type B	X	X	X		X
DPT Booster given in Kindergarten					

## EMERGENCY RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

CARE CARD NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of illness or accident of my child \_\_\_\_\_ and I cannot be reached by phone, I authorize the staff of Preschool of the Arts to have my child taken to:

\_\_\_\_\_

Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Dentist: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Should the above not be available, or the staff at Preschool of the Arts feels this is an emergency, I agree that they can call upon the local hospital or ambulance. All costs incurred are the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Preschool Staff (printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Preschool Staff (signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT FORM**

**PLEASE CHECK BOXES (All boxes checked indicate parent/guardian consent)**

**FEES** *Fees may be paid by the following:*

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- \$25.00 will be charged for any N.S.F. cheques.
- There is a late pick up fee of a \$1.00 a minute till you arrive to pick up your child.

**MEDICAL**

- Any food allergies have been made known to the staff.
- We authorize the staff to take any action necessary in the event that my child becomes ill. Or has had an accident which requires medical attention. Any fees incurred will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- In case of injury to my child while in the care of the Preschool of the Arts, I hereby waive all claims against the program.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD WALKS**

- I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in spontaneous local walks with the staff of Preschool of the Arts.
- I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in field trips with the staff and volunteers of Preschool of the Arts.

**PHOTO PERMISSION**

- I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to be photographed by the preschool, or media.
- I understand that these photos may be used for publicity, displays, or for use with the children.

**PLAYGROUND**

- I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in outdoor play at the Studio 2880 Arts Complex and Freeman Park. I understand this includes the playgrounds as well as the surrounding areas.

**WITHDRAWAL**

- I understand that I need to formally withdraw my child at the registration office. Fees will be charged until such a time.
- I understand that fees are applied on a monthly basis, therefore I need to provide one months notice of withdrawal. Last months fees will be applied.
- If my child attends one or more days during that month I will be charged for the entire month.

**And FINALLY...**

- We agree to keep each other informed if there are any disruptions in the child's normal routine.
- We realize that communication and cooperation are essential to a happy, enriching preschool experience.
- We have viewed the facility, met with the staff and have discussed the type of program offered and agree that it is a safe and healthy environment for the care and well being of my child.
- I fully understand all of the Community Arts Council's Preschool of the Arts Policies, and procedures.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Preschool Staff (printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Preschool Staff (signature)



As a licensed group child care provider in the provincial child care operating funding program, the Preschool of the Arts must create and maintain registration, enrollment and attendance records. For auditing purposes we must permit the province at any time during office hours to review any or all of these records (including the contact information of parents and children enrolled in our facility) and to contact parents of children enrolled at our facility.

It is our responsibility to obtain informed consent of parents to allow for information collected to be used for this purpose. The province does not have control of these records for the purposes of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Please sign the form below for our records.

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I give permission for my contact information as outlined above to be made available for review by the Province of British Columbia.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date