



Pre-kindergarten

## June 2017 NEWSLETTER



### Message From Mrs. Lee

May was an exciting month for us at the preschool. Muffins with Mom was a really special day for both our moms and children at the preschool. It has been truly amazing to watch first-hand the life cycle of a butterfly right in our classroom. Our preschool received 18 tiny caterpillars on April 18. Those caterpillars ate and ate until they were pretty big. The caterpillars crawled up to the top of their containers and formed a chrysalis at the top. After about a week inside, the butterflies emerged from their chrysalis. The children were able to release our painted lady butterflies back in their natural environment so they could go lay their eggs...and the life cycle continues.

A big thank you goes out to our preschool executive this year: Sally Chin, Jennifer Sultanian, Emina Hidic, Josh Baergen, Radek Kwasniewski, Leah Richards, Shannon Foster, Michelle Daly, and Claire Kjeld for all of their hard work for the preschool. And...thank you to ALL OF YOU for your support in making sure the preschool ran smoothly this year. It has been a wonderful year! I have truly enjoyed working with all the children. Watching them grow and learn over the year has been a remarkable experience. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer with their families!



### Message from the Preschool Parent Executive

On Monday May 15th, we welcomed Ms. Bolotova to our Malmo preschool family! What a fabulous showing from the children and parents, who welcomed Ms. Bolotova with open arms, great enthusiasm and lots of smiles! Ms. Bolotova will continue to learn the Malmo Preschool way and will transition into the full-time teacher role on May 30th.

Mrs. Lee's last day at the Preschool will be Monday May 29th. On behalf of the Malmo Pre-Kindergarten Parents Association, we want to wish Mrs. Lee the very best as she enters parenthood! We will be waiting to hear the wonderful news of Baby Lee's arrival and for the record, we have already requested pictures!

### Preschool Evaluation

You will be receiving an email in the next short while with a link to our annual preschool evaluation. Please take a few minutes and fill it out so that we can make improvements for next year.

## Field Trip to the Zoo

The preschool will be going on a field trip to the **Valley Zoo** located at **13315 Buena Vista Road**. Parents need to drop their children off at the Zoo and then pick them up at the Zoo. Children need to bring their snack in a small back pack. Please ensure that your child is **dressed for the weather**. We will be outside for the field trip rain or shine. We will need extra parent volunteers to help with the field trip. The preschool will pay for the zoo entrance fee for parents that sign up to be the helpers on the field trip but the helper parents cannot bring siblings with them. Extra parents (not the helper parents) and other siblings are welcome to go to the zoo but will be required to pay for their entrance fee. If your child has a zoo pass, please bring it to the field trip and let Mrs. Lee know ahead of time. You are welcome to stay later at the zoo once our field trip is finished. Some parents choose to bring a picnic lunch to eat at the zoo with their child if it is a nice day!

4 Year Old AM Class: **Wednesday May 31** from **9:30-11:30**  
4 Year Old PM Class: **Wednesday May 31** from **12:30-2:30**  
3 Year Old AM Class: **Thursday June 1** from **9:30-11:30**  
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## Scholastic Book Orders

The June Scholastic book orders are due back on **Thursday May 25**. Thank you for all your support in ordering from the Scholastic book flyers throughout the year. As a result of your orders, the preschool was able to order new books, craft supplies, and education toys for the classroom for free!

## Summer Nature Walk

On **Monday June 12** (4 year old classes) and **Tuesday June 13** (3 year old classes) we are planning on going on a summer nature walk around the school yard. On the day of our summer nature walk we will have a regular day and then go on our summer nature walk around the school yard. Parents can meet us at the playground to pick up their children for home time at the regular time (11:15 or 3:15). Parents and siblings are also welcome to come back around 10:40 or 2:40 if you would like to join us for our summer nature walk.



## Kindergarten Preparation

In just a few short months the children in our 4 year old classes will be heading off to kindergarten.

Help your child be prepared for kindergarten:

**Self Help Skills:** getting dressed by themselves, putting their shoes on by themselves, cleaning up their own snack, etc.

**Health:** Eyes checked, Immunizations, Hearing tested (only if

you suspect something), Dental check up

**Social:** Have your child go on playdates or go to Grandma's house to practice being away from home in social situations

It is helpful if you can go visit your child's new school before they start kindergarten to show your child the bathroom, the door they will be using, the outside area for recess, etc.

## Fabulous Fundraisers

The Fundraising Committee would like to thank all of the parents for your participation in all of the fundraisers this year. Without all of our fundraising efforts, the preschool could not offer its incredible programs and learning experiences.

## Last Day of Preschool

The last day of preschool will be on **June 15** for the 3 year old classes and **June 16** for the 4 year old classes. Parents are invited to come back to the preschool at 10:30 (morning classes) or 2:30 (afternoon classes) to help us celebrate the year we have had together at preschool. Please let Mrs. Lee or Ms. Bolotova know if your child will not be there on the last day so that she can make sure that your child gets everything beforehand.

## Class Openings

We currently have a few spots available at the preschool for the next school year. We would love to fill these spots so please spread the word to those who may be looking for a preschool for their child. For more information contact the registrar: [registrar@malmopreschool.com](mailto:registrar@malmopreschool.com)

## Cleaning Day

There are two preschool clean-up nights in June. The first one is on **Friday June 16** from 4:00-5:30 and the final clean-up will be held on **Wednesday June 21** from 5:30-7:00. Please remember to bring old towels, rags, buckets, etc. When you come for your cleaning night, please come to the front doors of the school and ring the doorbell (on the left side). The doors to the school will be locked but one of the parent volunteers will come and open the door for you. Thank you to all the parents for helping make sure we have a clean school for the children!

## Registration Reminder for Future Years

Current families (families enrolled in the 2017-2018 school year) and alumni families (returning families) have priority when registering their younger children at the preschool in future years. If you are interested in registering, please check the preschool website in December to see when you can start registering. As a current and alumni family, you will be able to register before registration opens to the public.

## June Birthdays

**Jahmal**-June 7 (4 year old afternoon class)  
**Tychon**-June 13 (3 year old afternoon class)  
**Alexander**-June 28 (3 year old morning class)  
**Omar**-June 28 (4 year old afternoon class)



## July Birthdays

**Monica**-July 18 (4 year old afternoon class)



## August Birthdays

**Jax**-August 3 (4 year old afternoon class)  
**Nourleen**-August 27 (3 year old afternoon class)  
**Bronson**-August 30 (4 year old morning class)



## Spring Carnival and Bike-a-thon

**Saturday, May 27** will be a fun filled day at Malmo Community League. The bike-a-thon and carnival run from 10:45 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

There was a parent information handout that was put in your child's mailbox at school. Included in the handout is information on the carnival and a bike-a-thon pledge sheet. The students will be riding their bikes or a ride-along toy around the Malmo rink and are asked to raise funds from family and friends.

The volunteer sheet has been created and as in years past, each family is asked to sign up for two volunteer shifts. Your help will guarantee carnival success!

Also at the carnival this year - food sales, games, and activities.

Remember, this will be a cash-only event.

All families, friends and neighbours are welcome to join us to celebrate on Saturday, May 27.

## Preschool Executive Contacts

Any parent who may have questions or concerns pertaining to Malmo Pre-Kindergarten are encouraged to contact any of the following Parent Executives:

Position	Name	Email Contact
Sally Chin	President	president@malmopreschool.com
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## Upcoming Important Dates

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