

BETTYE HYDE NEWS

September 2007

What's New At Bettye Hyde?

We hope to see everyone out on September 18th for the **Orientation and Meet and Greet**.

We ask that ALL NEW FAMILIES attend the orientation session from 6:30-7:00 pm in the Chapel. Returning families are asked to arrive at 7pm

Children are welcome. Families are asked to bring a sweet or savoury snack for 6 people. This is an opportunity to see old friends, meet new families and get to know the teachers and board members.

During the evening, you will receive valuable information that is vital for day-to-day life at Bettye Hyde.

Following this information session we will have the opportunity to socialize and meet other families in the school. See you there!

New Neighbours in the Building

Andrew Fleck Child Care Centre will be renting Bate Hall this year (the main floor of the Church) while their centre is undergoing renovations.

With more people using the building now we would like to remind parents that safety is everyone's responsibility.

If you happen to see somebody in the Church that you are unsure of, please ask them if they need any help finding their way.



Co-operative Nursery School

Important Dates to Remember

Monday October 8th – Thanksgiving

Friday December 7th – P.D. Day

Mon December 24th – Jan 4th Winter Holidays

Friday February 8th – P.D. Day

March 10th-14th – March Break

March 21st – Good Friday

March 24th – Easter Monday

May 19th – Victoria Day

Wednesday June 26th – Last day of school

The school will be **closed** on these days (except June 26th)

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MARGARET MEAD:

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

Letter from the President

I would like to welcome all new and returning families to Bettye Hyde Co-Operative Nursery School. I hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer and are ready for another great year at Bettye Hyde.

This year, the large hall upstairs will be used by Andrew Fleck Child Care Services while their current location is being remodelled. Although the children from Andrew Fleck will be occasionally using our yard, the lunch hour and after-school times have been reserved for Bettye Hyde children only. Some of us can remember how difficult it was to be in Bate Hall, so we are sympathetic to Andrew Fleck and wish them an enjoyable year in their home-away-from-home.

As the new President of the Board, I look forward to meeting the new families and reconnecting with the returning families. One of my goals is to increase our get togethers, so that all our families can get to know each other better and take full advantage of being part of a co-operative.

We are holding a *Meet and Greet* evening on Tuesday, September 18th to start out the Bettye Hyde Social Calendar. New families are invited to arrive at 6:30 pm for a short orientation, with returning families asked to come at 7pm. This is an opportunity to get to know some new faces, meet friends, learn more about your co-operative school and find out about the new door code!!

If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding Bettye Hyde, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing you all an excellent year!

Monika Michalska

Staff News

We are pleased to announce that Cindy will be returning from Australia in December. We look forward to having her back with us in the New Year. The rest of the staff have all returned after a wonderful summer vacation. We are including everyone's schedules to help parents know which teachers are with us when.

Lisa and Janet:	Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00
Catherine	Mon-Fri 8:40-4:30
Danielle	Tues/Thurs/Fri 9-12:30
Robyn	Mon/Wed 9-2:30 Tues/Thurs/Fri 11:30-2:30

BILL COSBY:

Human beings are the only creatures that allow their children to come back home.

PABLO PICASSO:

All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once s/he grows up.

Psst! Hey Parents! Read This!

The “Policy Binder”.

The binder contains both our behaviour management and anaphylaxis policies. It is a licensing requirement that ALL parents read and sign these forms. Please take a few moments either at drop off or pick up time to read and sign. Thank-you.

Shoes, Boots, etc...

Please remember to place shoes and boots on the mats under the pews in the entrance area. For all families' information, the minister of All Saints Church is legally blind. Please keep the entrance area free of clutter. Thanks!

Afternoon Parents

Please feel free to come spend an afternoon at Bettye Hyde. Even though you are not expected to stay when you provide the snack for your child's special day, you are most welcome to stick around - the children would love it!

Extra clothing

Children often need extra socks, pants and shirts after coming in from outdoor play. Please ensure your child has a spare set of seasonally appropriate clothing. If they already have an extra set of clothes, please make sure the clothing still fits. Remember to label **all** articles with your child's name.

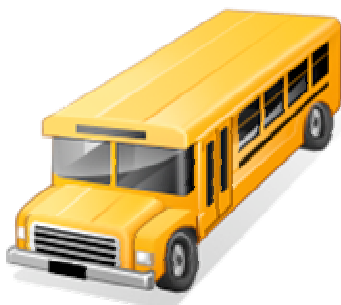


No Nuts at Bettye Hyde

Please remember that the school is a nut-free zone due to nut allergies. Some children may have life-threatening allergic reactions to nuts so let's ensure that we keep the nuts out of the school.

Field Trips Galore

Traditionally we have had two field trips per year where we rent a school bus to take us to our destination. This year, because of a successful year of fundraising we are able to add a third field trip to each program! We will also continue to do neighbourhood walking field trips once we get all settled in to life at Bettye Hyde.



Bringing Toys to BH

Reminder: On your child's special day, he or she is allowed to bring a toy from home for show and share.

This is the only time that toys from home should be coming to Bettye Hyde. We greatly appreciate your help reinforcing this.



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Board News

2007-2008 Board Members

President— Monika Michalska (Stefan)
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Next board meeting: Wed, Sept. 26th, 7pm at Drumlin's

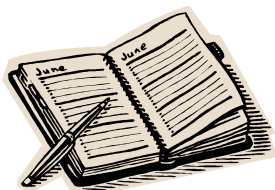
Looking to spice up your life? Looking for active community engagement?

Would you like to join the Board? The position of **Secretary** is currently vacant.

If you are interested in contributing your skills, energy and time, please contact a Board member or one of BH's staff. C'mon, you know you want to be on Board!

www.bettyehyde.com

Parent Resources



Looking for tips on child development, parenting and more?

Check out our updated resource library located in the coatroom.

We have a selection of books and videos that are available for parents to borrow. Please see a teacher if you would like to sign something out.

Message from Catherine

Dear The Parents Of BHNS 2006/2007,
A huge thank you to the parents of Bettye Hyde 2006/2007 for the wonderful contributions towards our wedding present.

Dave and I greatly appreciated everyone's generosity and best wishes for our wedding.

We ended up having a perfect wedding day with all our closest family and friends in our hometown- Victoria. We then spent ten relaxing days in Hawaii before heading home to Ottawa.

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and I hope to see you all either at BHNS or around the neighborhood!

Thanks again,

Catherine and Dave Stuart