

September 2025
Ladybug Afternoon Preschool Newsletter

WELCOME TO LADYBUG!!! Our monthly newsletter will keep you informed as to what is happening at Preschool. Remember to check the program calendar attached each month for our day-to-day happenings. We are looking forward to a fun-filled, exciting year with you and your children. Please feel free to come to us with any of your questions, or concerns, praises, and compliments! We are open to suggestions and always have time to talk with you. Please note that our Preschool entrance is around the left side of the building (not the front door). Please carefully read and familiarize yourself with the arrivals & departures section of this newsletter. We apologize for the length of this first newsletter, but we have a lot of important stuff to share with you!

STAFF:

Leigh-Anne Chapman (aka “Lani”) is the Owner/Director of Ladybug Landing Child Care centre. Leigh-Anne has been an Early Childhood Educator for over 30 years and will be joining us in class from time to time when her busy schedule allows. Leigh-Anne would like to thank you for choosing Ladybug Preschool for your child and to welcome you to our Ladybug Family!

Our Preschool teachers this year are: **Miss Shannon & Miss Kayla**

Shannon Chesham: We are fortunate to have Miss Shannon with us again for her 18th year at Ladybug Landing Child Care Centre. Miss Shannon is an Early Childhood Educator in our Preschool and Supervisor of our Out of School Program. Miss Shannon has many years of experience working with children of all ages and is beyond excited about being back teaching at Ladybug Preschool.

Kayla Korska: We are so happy to have Miss Kayla return to our Preschool Teaching Team. Miss Kayla is an Early Childhood Educator, bringing many years experience to our classroom. Miss Kayla is very excited and looking forward to a new Preschool Year.

CLASS TIMES:

Please note that children will be welcomed in the Preschool Door **5 minutes** before class begins:

Afternoon Class times are: 12:00pm – 2:00pm

***Please observe and respect program times, as we have other programs beginning right after class! Thank You.**

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES:

Our parking lot is a VERY busy place.

REMEMBER TO ALWAYS HOLD YOUR CHILD’S HAND IN OUR PARKING LOT!

When arriving, PLEASE PULL ALL THE WAY FORWARD into the parking spaces provided to avoid congestion in our crowded parking lot. The parking spaces are for YOUR USE and not for staff. We ask that you escort your child to our side Preschool Entrance, in a safe manner, where you will be greeted by our Preschool Team, five minutes before class begins. Once all the children have arrived, your child’s teachers assist the children with getting ready to enter the classroom.

Prompt pick up is important to your child and greatly appreciated by their teachers. A late fee of \$5/dollars for the first minute and then \$1/minute for every minute after will be charged for all late pickups. At the end of each preschool class, we will be outside enjoying some outdoor activities and learning. Please make your departure prompt so that others can come into the parking lot to pick up as well. Please let us know if someone different will be picking up your child each day. If there are any changes to your child’s regular “going home” routine, our staff must be advised in advance. Staff will not release your child to anyone without your authorization.

THANK YOU for your cooperation in this matter.

REMINDERS:

- We prefer payment by e-transfer, please send to our auto deposit: leighanne@ladybuglanding.ca If you do not have access to e-transfer, we will accept a CHEQUE. Please date for the first of month. There will be a \$10/day late fee for payments made after the 5th.
- Every day please bring a backpack for your child with a pair of clean indoor shoes (easily manageable by your child), as well as a COMPLETE change of clothing, these items need to be clearly labelled with your child's first name and last initial.
- BOOTS & RAIN GEAR for our rainy days – we **do** go outside in the rain.
- A labelled water bottle.
- Appropriate clothing for the weather
- Remember to please **label everything** (Winter clothes as well).

Belongings MUST BE LABELLED to eliminate mistaken sharing of items or lost items.

THEME:

Our theme this month is **Ladybugs!**

HEALTH POLICY:

Although we encourage regular attendance at preschool, children with *signs of illness* should NOT come to school. **It is safer for one child to stay at home for a few days than to expose the whole group to an illness.** If we have sick children attending in all of our classes, weekly, the staff are constantly exposed and inevitably will end up sick, threatening temporary closures of our program. If you are unsure whether to bring your child, please call and ask for assistance.

"When in doubt, keep them out!"

Children must be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to Preschool.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

BIRTHDAYS:

At Ladybug, we believe that birthdays are important no matter how old you are! We will be celebrating each child's birthday with a "Birthday Card and Book" and by singing "Happy Birthday". If you wish to bring in a store-bought treat to share in celebration of your child's Birthday, please speak with the teachers in advance. Please let us know if your family does not wish to participate in these festivities and we will respect that choice.

That's all for now folks! We hope that your family enjoys your year with us! We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children! Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's educational journey!

Miss Shannon, Miss Kayla & Miss Leigh-Anne