

Teachers

Our teachers form a cooperative, friendly and effective teaching team at Happy Days Playschool, we are very fortunate to have them.

Teacher: Irene Boudreau

We are delighted to have Irene Boudreau as our teacher, affectionately known to the children of Happy Days as Mrs. B. Along with her love of children, Irene brings with her over twenty-five years of preschool teaching experience.

Irene has developed a program that provides the children with a variety of age appropriate themes and learning experiences. Her teaching methods demonstrate her firm belief that children learn best while happily absorbed in play. She forms an environment where children can reach their full potential, using creative play, arts and crafts, library, circle time and games.

She creates a welcoming atmosphere in the school for students and parents alike. If a child does or says something memorable she makes a real effort to pass it on to the parent.

Her sentiment is,

**'At Happy Days Playschool,
every day is a happy day.'**

Teacher's Assistant: Ofelia Alexander

Like Irene, Ofelia firmly believes that children learn best while playing and having fun. It is her desire that each child is excited to come to school each day and is truly happy there. She gets personally involved with whatever game or task the children are engaged in and loves watch them grow and develop in these very formative years.

We run classes for 2 age groups:

Crickets: Tuesday & Thursday AM
for children who turn 3 the year they are registering

Dragonflies: Monday, Wednesday & Friday AM
for children age 4/5 who will begin Kindergarten the following September

Bumblebees: Monday through Friday PM
for children age 4/5 who will begin Kindergarten the following September

Class Times: 9:15am to 11:15am
12.30pm to 2.30pm

Contact Us

We would love to hear from you!

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*... where children discover
that learning is fun*

Coquitlam Preschool

Our students learn more about themselves and their world. Through stimulating play, they are helped to expand on their natural interests while exploring many exciting subjects.



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Mission

Happy Days Playschool supports children in learning and developing at an individual pace through play.

To provide a quality preschool experience which is safe, nurturing, inclusive, challenging and a beginning step for lifelong learning.

Vision

Children who attend Happy Days Playschool experience a positive classroom situation. They are encouraged to play, experiment, discover and express themselves through arts, crafts and by making friends.

Happy Days will help your child to learn to love learning. Our preschool program is committed to providing for children's need in preparation for success in the early years.

Philosophy

Play nourishes every aspect of children's development - it forms the foundation for the intellectual, social, physical, and emotional skills necessary for success in school and in life.

For example, block building and sand and water play lay the foundation for logical mathematical thinking, scientific reasoning, and cognitive problem solving. Play fosters creativity and flexibility in thinking. There is no right or wrong way to do things; a chair can be a car or a boat, a house or a bed.

Children create ideas about their world and share them with one another. They establish a culture and a social world with their peers. Play allows children to make sense of their experiences and discover the intimacy and joy of friendship. When it is self-directed, play leads to feelings of competence and self-confidence.

A Day at Playschool

Good Morning!

At the start of each day, all children are welcomed to class and greeted personally by the teachers.

Free Play

Everyone gets time to talk, play and have fun with their friends. There are many activities to choose from including; science station, dress-up, building blocks, kitchen/home centre, creative writing and drawing, sand table (actually corn meal!), puzzles and more...

The 'Pickle'

Each day, one child is (alphabetically) assigned to be the 'Pickle'. It will be his/her turn to bring a show and tell item to class and be the teacher's helper. All of the children eagerly await their turn for this extra fun and special day.

Circle Time

Listen and learn from each other and the teacher. The month, date and day are discussed, also the 'letter of the day'. Quiet time is given to pick out a favorite book from the library and leaf through it. Circle time also includes story time, show and tell and songs.

Snack Time

We encourage healthy food choices, such as water, fruit, veggies or cheese. Hands are washed and everyone eats the snack they brought. Food allergies are respected by the whole school.

Arts and Crafts

Time to allow imaginations to soar! With scissors (safety of course), glue, paint, markers, glitter and more at hand, they can explore and experiment to their heart's delight. With many new crafts, you and your child are sure to be proud of his/her creations.

Outside Play

The play structure at our school gives our students great exercise. The school owns a selection of toys for outside play such as bicycles (and helmets), hoops, goal nets and balls etc. Sometimes classes simply go for a walk in the school grounds to discuss the sky and trees, run around or play tag.

Themes

The class focuses on several themes each month using arts and crafts, imaginative play, books and discussion in circle time.

Some examples are:

Back to school	At the hospital
Seasons	Shapes
ABCs	Easter
Dentist	Bugs
Penguins	Jungle animals
Polar bears	Numbers
Colours	Christmas

Field Trips / Class Parties

Children look forward to these and thoroughly enjoy them. They are scheduled throughout the school year and are highlights for everyone

Some examples include:

A fall trip to a local pumpkin patch
Story time at the local library,
To the bug lab
Annual sports day
To the dentist

Happy Days Playschool is run by an elected executive of parents of enrolled children. This ensures the best possible personal commitment to the education and well-being of every child.