# April 2024 Newsletter





April 2<sup>nd</sup> is Autism Awareness Day which is a day dedicated to conversation and celebration of autism.

Autism touches more than 70 million people globally. Approximately 1 in 50 children and youth are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder in Canada and this number continues to grow. On this day, we encourage everyone to wear blue to help raise awareness for Autism!

### **Birthday in April**



\*All center birthdays will be celebrated on April 25th Neil - 1<sup>st</sup> Liam O. -  $2^{nd}$ Abigail (Tod C) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Meghan - 4<sup>th</sup> Maaz - 7<sup>th</sup> Claire - 7<sup>th</sup> Brooklyn - 8th Stefano – 11<sup>th</sup> Rowan – 11<sup>th</sup> Leo - 12<sup>th</sup> Anna - 13<sup>th</sup> **Idrees - 18th** Alice - 19<sup>th</sup> Nayel - 25th

Molly - 27<sup>th</sup>

Spring time Warm weather is approaching so please make sure your children come with appropriate clothes, extra clothes, sunscreen, etc.



Along with our regularly scheduled extracurriculars (Music, Dance and French), we will also celebrate: April 1<sup>st</sup>- Easter Monday (Closed) April 1<sup>st</sup>- April Fool's Day April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Autism Awareness Day April 3<sup>rd</sup> – National Walking Day April 5<sup>th</sup> – Pajama Day April 7<sup>th</sup> – World Health Day April 9th - Happy Eid al-Fitr April 11<sup>th</sup> - Tie Dye Day April 15th - Switch to Spring/Summer Menu April 16th - Crazy Hat Day April 16<sup>th</sup> – Picture Re-Take Day April 19<sup>th</sup> – Look Alike Day April 22<sup>nd</sup> - Earth Day April 23<sup>rd</sup> - World Book Day: Bring in your favourite book! April 25<sup>th</sup> - Celebrating ALL Center Birthdays April 26<sup>th</sup> – Crazy Pattern Day April 29<sup>th</sup> – International Dance Day

#### Social Media

Make sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook! Also, be sure to check out your child's private class group for daily updates on the class. The private groups are a great way for us to keep you updated with pictures and statuses, so make sure to keep an eye out!



Just a reminder that there are two days Little Scholars is closed.

Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup> – Easter Monday

## World Health Day

World Health Day is celebrated on April 6 which marks the anniversary of the creation of WHO (World Health Organization) which dates to 1948.

Each year WHO draws attention to a specific health topic of concern to people all over the world. The theme for World Health Day 2024 is 'My health, my right'. This year's theme was chosen to champion the right of everyone, everywhere to have access to quality health services, education, and information, as well as safe drinking water, clean air, good nutrition, quality housing, decent working and environmental conditions, and freedom from discrimination.

#### Earth Day

April 22 is Earth Day! No matter how you choose to honor nature, make it positive. We need a healthy Planet Earth to thrive, and Planet Earth needs us. Change starts with action and anyone of any background can make a difference. Here are a few actions we can take to make a difference:

- 1. Say goodbye to single use plastics!
- 2. Always carry reusable bags!
- 3. Clean up the local community park!
- 4. Plant a tree!

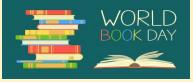
We also encourage everyone to wear green and blue for Earth Day!

# Look Alike Day



Have you ever seen or been told that someone else looks just like you? We all have a doppelganger or two. Use this day to dress and look like somebody else. It's perfectly okay to be a copycat!

# World Book Day



World Book Day is on April 23<sup>rd</sup>! We encourage everyone to bring in their favourite book to share with the class!

Congratulations to Meagan for being our staff of the month. You have been a big part of Little Scholars by providing the children with Dance and helping in the classrooms and in the kitchen. The children are always engaged and are overall happy to see you in their classroom. Thank you for your hard work and for bringing your energetic attitude. Keep up the good work!

## **Eid al-Fitr**



Between April 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> marks the end of Ramadan and the beginning of Eid al-Fitr, "the Festival of Breaking the Fast." Here they spend the day celebrating with family by giving gifts wearing new clothes and visiting graves of relatives. All of us at Little Scholars wish you Eid Mubarak!

