

After The Bell Inc.

Family Newsletter – March 2013

Smile of the Month ☺



March Update

March was a **fun** month at ATB! March break was a hit, the kids and staff all had a blast. Survivor day seemed to be a common favorite among the children!

The children planned an **Art Sale** during March Break. Makayla organized it, and it was a success, thanks to all the children who contributed by creating wonderful art and working the tables during the sale. Staff are very proud of the kids for their hard work and dedication to this event. All proceeds from the sale will be used for new supplies for the children.

Car Seats Required

Unfortunately, all but two seats in our van are going to be expiring this year. Please bring in a high back booster, if your child still requires a booster seat, and attends Astral Drive, Colby or Caldwell Road schools. For more information please read our Transportation Policy.

March Superstars

- **Austin** - You are so kind to the younger children, and you have been very helpful to staff lately. We really appreciate it!
- **Allison** - We are so proud of you, you have been trying new things lately, and have found some great new interests!
- **Katie** - We love your more outgoing personality lately. You have such wonderful ideas, and we enjoy hearing them ☺
- **Bailey & Ethan** - You are both so creative, we love that you are inventing new games for us to play! The kids love Ball Ball!
- **Natasha** - You are so thoughtful! We love your hugs and the cute pictures you make us.

**Remember:
We are NUT FREE.**

Welcome Alia!

Alia has officially started at ATB, and is fitting in wonderfully. She now has her class 4 drivers license, and will be driving the 15 passenger van. Please take some time to introduce yourself to Alia, and check out her bio on our website.

Please CALL

PLEASE call us when your child is not attending the after school component of our program. It is our goal to provide quality care to ALL children, therefore; your support in this matter is VERY important. We have been held back on several occasions and late for other school pick-ups, due to frantically trying to locate missing children and then come to find out the parent picked up the child or they were at home sick all day. This has become a serious issue and we will have to resort to the centre policy of a three strike rule if it continues. Thank you for your support!

Professional Development Workshop

On March 27, After The Bell Inc. staff will be attending a workshop hosted by Alana Faulkner. The workshop is on summer planning for school aged children. We are very excited, because Alana has a lot of experience/knowledge that both the staff, and children will really benefit from! We want this summer to be the best yet!

Tax Receipts

If you have not yet received your 2012 tax receipt, please advise Mandy.

Website Updates

After The Bell Inc. is looking for some more **testimonials** for our website. If you are interested in writing one, please send it to info@afterthebell.ca.

Our **summer camp guide** will be out May 31. It will be available on our website!