

Welcome to:
METCHOSIN CO-OP
PRESCHOOL

The Best Place To Be!



Dear Parents,



Welcome to Metchosin Preschool! We hope you will have fun here, learning with your children. A cooperative preschool is a group of families organized to provide their children with a quality preschool experience.

Cooperative preschools are owned and operated by parents on a non-profit, non-sectarian, interracial basis. Under the guidance of a professional Early Childhood Educator (ECE), parents assist in the classroom and participate in the educational programme.

In lieu of our Orientation and Open House, we have created a slideshow for you to look through with your children, to familiarize yourself with our little school!





Our Cooperative Model

Metchosin Co-Op Preschool is a parent-governed, parent-participation program for children aged 2.5 to 5 years old. Operating under the co-op model for over 60 years, the Preschool has succeeded as a direct result of the enthusiasm and dedication of the families, teachers and other community members that show their support through fundraising, volunteering, donations and enrollment.



Depending on class size, parents are required to spend one or two mornings a month with their child's class as the 'Duty Parent' ...a role that often delights not only the child but the parent as well. Parents are also required to participate in monthly parent education sessions, as well as attend preschool meetings. These take place once a month on Tuesday evenings. There is still discussion on whether they will be in-person and physically distanced, or virtual.



MEET OUR
Early Childhood
Educators



Teacher Erin

3s & 4s class

In 2000, I graduated from the University of Victoria with a degree in Child and Youth Care. Directly out of University I started working in the Sooke school district in a variety of roles: Educational Assistant, a Youth and Family Counselor, and as a Strong Start Facilitator. Upon leaving the district I joined the team of ECEs at Metchosin Preschool in 2012. Our entire family enjoyed coming to the Preschool and have such fond memories of the teachers and families. The Preschool became much more than just our daughters' preschool, it became a great source of new friendships and support. It was a wonderful stepping stone for our daughters' love for learning to blossom and to prepare all of us for their educational careers.

I hope that I can create these same kind of memories for you and your children over the years!



Teacher Denyse

3s & 4s class

I have been an Early Childhood Educator at Metchosin Preschool since September 2009. I truly enjoy each day that I spend with the children. I believe deeply in supporting each child's holistic growth and development in a learning through play, emergent, and nature based preschool environment. I strive to gently support each child in his/her development of social skills by listening fully and encouraging their development of self-confidence, and knowledge of self and others. I believe strongly in the benefit of parent participation in all aspects of their child's preschool learning experiences. I feel privileged to work alongside the parents during each preschool day. I received my ECE certificate from Camosun College and subsequently obtained a BA with an Emphasis in Child and Youth Care, and a MA in curriculum and development from the University of Victoria. In June of 2016 I completed an International Montessori Teaching Diploma from the North American Montessori Centre.

Along with my wonderful colleagues, we enjoy offering Montessori inspired activities for the children to experience and explore!



Teacher Leah

4s class

Over the past 23 years I have had a variety of fantastic experiences as an ECE including working in daycare settings, preschool settings, and owning operating my own Childcare Center for five years. I was a co-operative preschool child myself, and have been a part of the co-operative preschool experience with all of my children. I have had the pleasure of working at Metchosin Co-operative Preschool with amazing teachers, families, and children since 2008. I remember very well my first day at the Preschool and thinking how I felt like I had come home. Making a choice to be a part of a co-operative preschool will be a very valuable part of your child's first steps on their journey through their educational experience. This is a wonderful foundation to connect with your community, other families that share similar values, and a great opportunity to create lifelong friendships.

Metchosin Preschool is my 'Happy' place to be!



Our Programs

The aim of our programs is for each child to experience at an individual rate, all the areas of development: physical, emotional and social as well as intellectual. The environment will encourage participation, accept differences, respect the individual and support growth. Through the utilization of all the physical areas of our programs, your children will be involved in a curriculum that includes physical skill development, both fine & gross motor; language arts, listening and oral skills; cognitive or intellectual development through music, art, math and science activities.

We focus on problem solving and social development through PLAY!





3s Class



Tues & Thurs

2.5 – 3.5 year olds

9:00AM – 11:30AM

Full Participation

Sept + June: \$200

Oct – May: \$125 p/m

Partial Participation

Sept + June: \$300

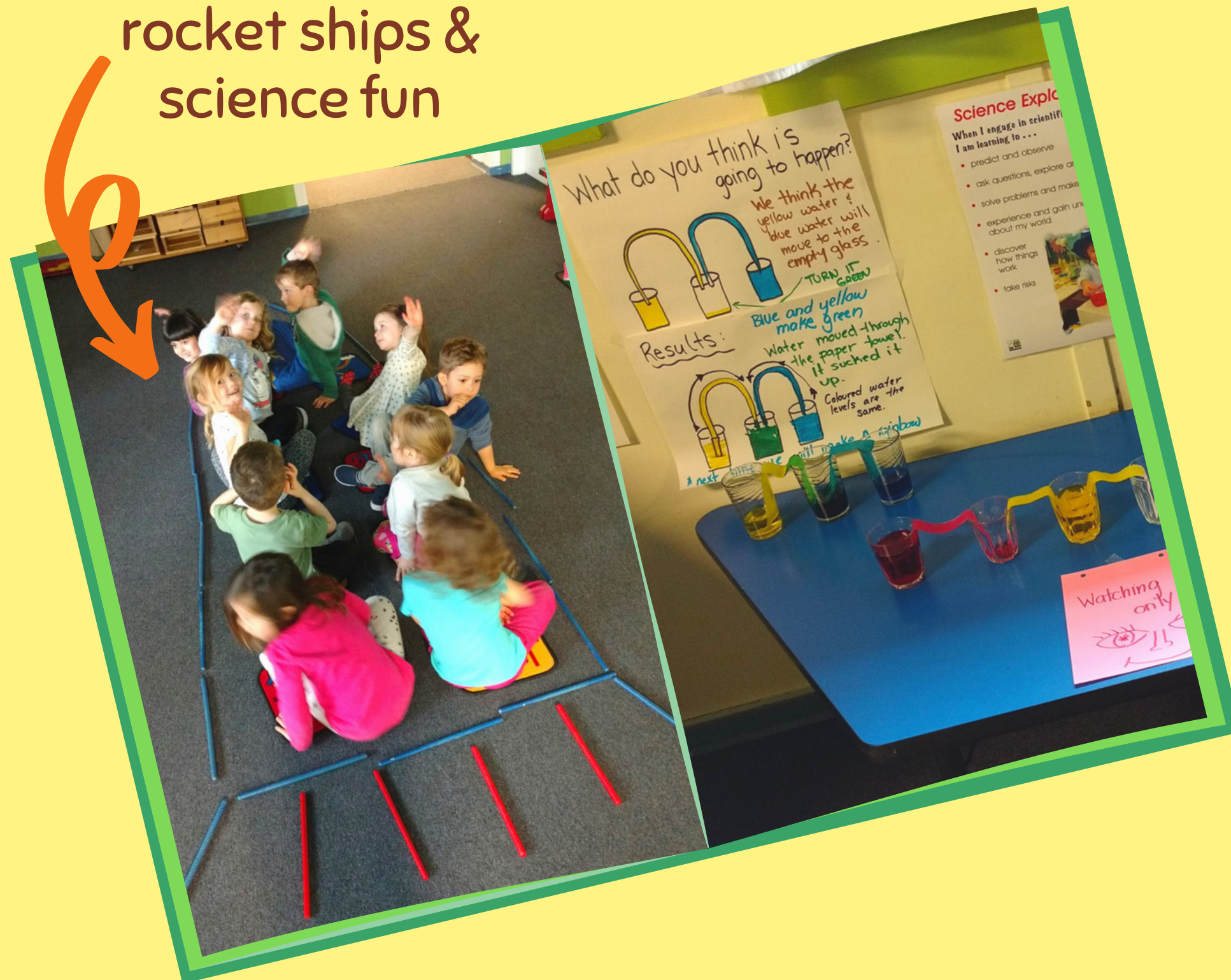
Oct – May: \$175 p/m



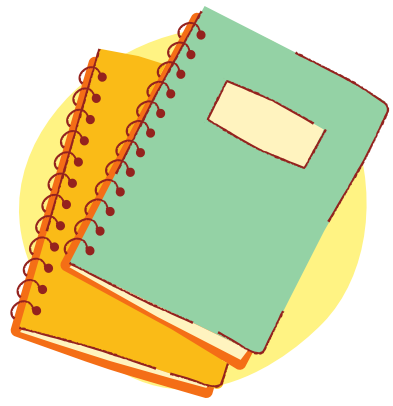
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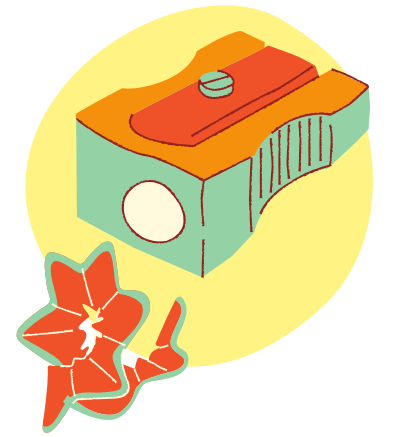
rocket ships &
science fun



water paints &
making birds nests



4s Class



Mon, Wed & Fri

3.5 – 5 year olds

9:00AM – 1:00PM

Full Participation

Sept + June: \$390

Oct – May: \$220 p/m

Partial Participation

Sept + June: \$510

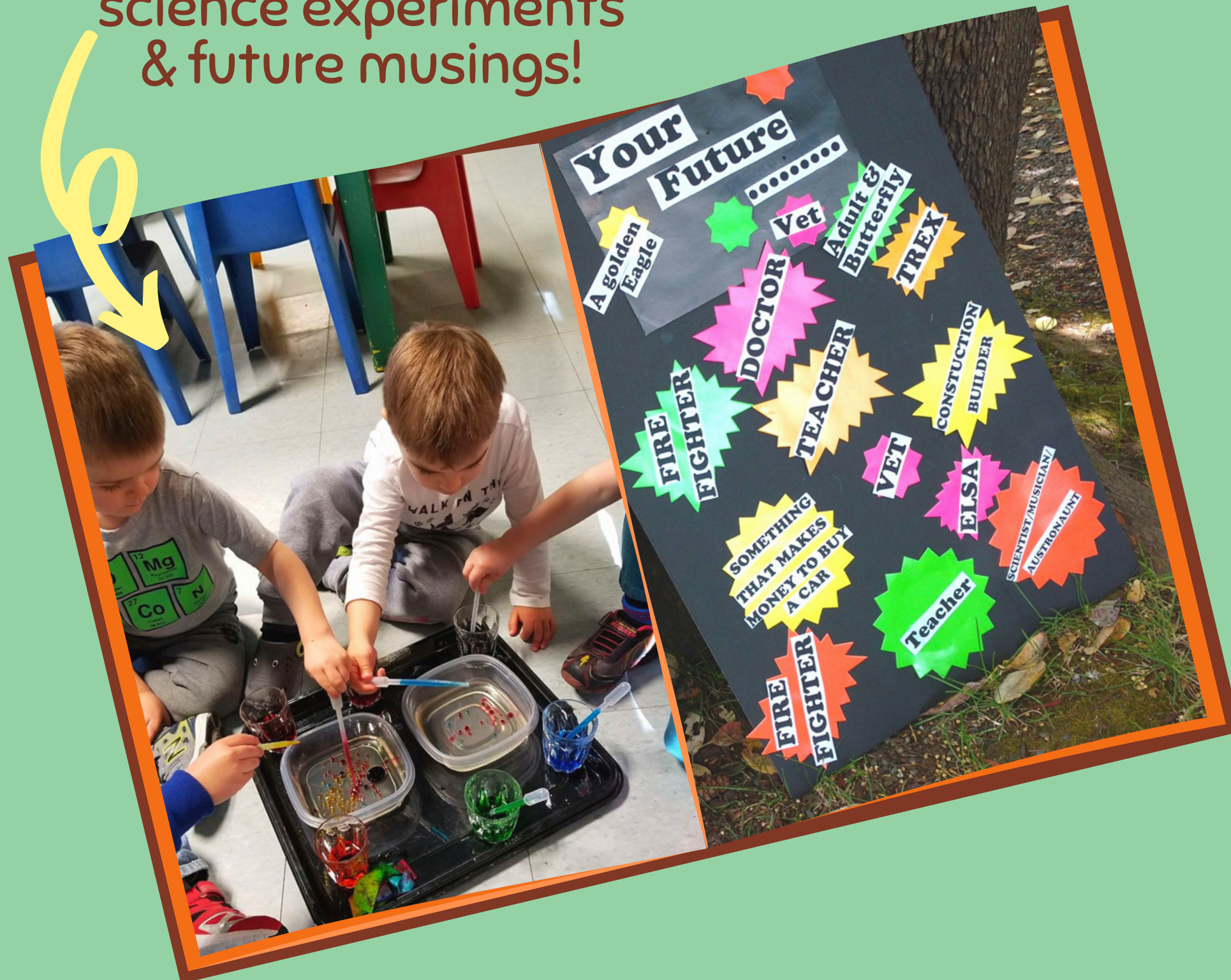
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4s Activities



science experiments
& future musings!



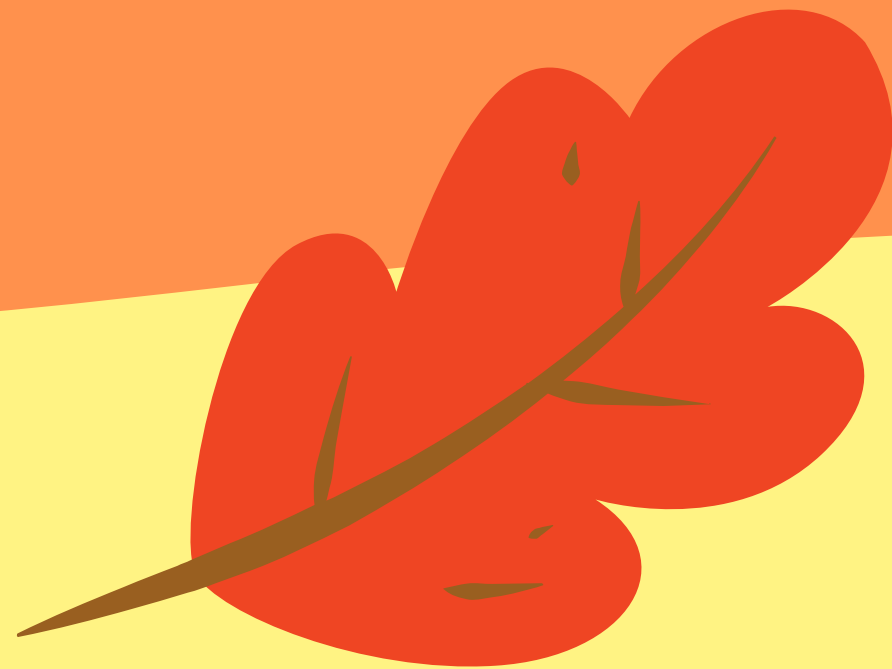
the life cycle of
butterflies

Take a walk
THROUGH THE SCHOOL
Inside & Out!



Our Preschool

Metchosin Co-Op Preschool is located in the heart of rural Metchosin, surrounded by nature!



Our Classroom



snack tables

arts & crafts



imagination station

Our Playgrounds



seasonal fun



bikes to ride



sandpit adventures &
lots more!

Field Trips!

Metchosin Preschool strives to make the children's fieldtrips as educational, age-appropriate & above all, as FUN as possible! Our main theme throughout these excursions is outdoor time. Whether it be a trip to Sea Bluff Farm, a walk & talk through Devonion Park, a visit to the Metchosin Fire Hall or a Nature House tour at Goldstream Park!



Fundraising & Events

September

METCHOSIN DAY
BOOTH



HALLOWEEN
MONSTER'S BALL
(ADULTS ONLY)

October

November

1ST BOTTLE DRIVE

PARADISE ISLAND
CHEESE

PURDYS



COOKIES &
CAROLS



XMAS GIFT CARDS

December



Fundraising & Events

January

2ND BOTTLE DRIVE



FIRST
OPEN HOUSE

February

March

SECOND
OPEN HOUSE



SILENT AUCTION

April

Fundraising & Events

May

GARAGE SALE

MAPLE SYRUP



END OF YEAR
CELEBRATION

3RD BOTTLE DRIVE



June

July

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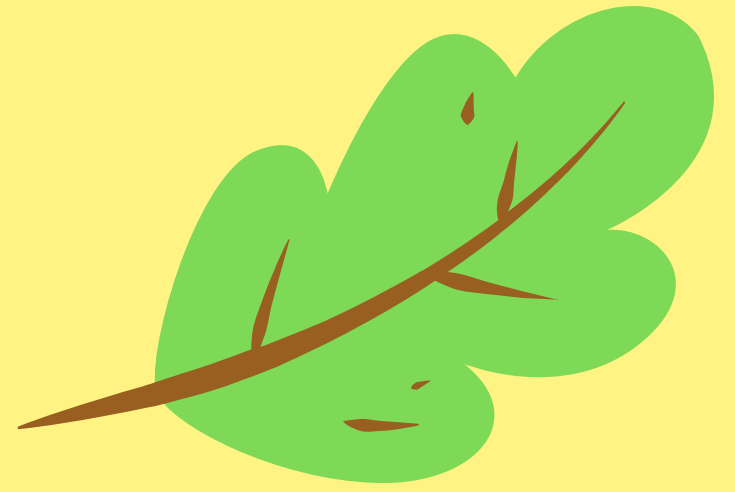


ORIENTATION
FOR NEW FAMILIES

August



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Thank you for coming along
on our tour. We are so excited
to meet you all & create new
Preschool memories!





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