

School Age: Before & After

Dear Families,

We would like to welcome you back to a new year at WRDCC. For those families returning we are so happy to have you back! To those families who are new to Willy Day Care we are so excited to have you join us. Every month you will receive a newsletter informing you about upcoming events that will be happening at the day care. For the month of October your children will have a lot to look forward to such as, spooky cooking classes, clubs, our fall talent show and lastly our Halloween extravaganza.

**Best Wishes for the New Year!
The School Age Family**

WRDCC Clubs

Tuesday Homework Club/ Quiet

Time: Children will work quietly on homework, projects, or personal work they may want to complete.

Wednesday Art Club: Each child will have the chance to implement their own art experience for the group.

Thursday Cooking Classes: Each Thursday the class will have the chance to prepare and try new recipes!

A Note from the Supervisor

Dear Parents,

I just want to formally welcome all of our new and returning families to WRDCC. We hope everyone enjoyed their summer holidays and that you are all excited about a great school year ahead!

I would like to announce to all our families that beginning in March 2016, WRDCC will be open for the March Break for all of our age groups (Kindergarten & All School Age Groups). More information and details to follow!

Save the Date: Wednesday, November 18th we will be hosting our Annual Art Show Auction/ Annual Business Meeting. This will be a great night for all our families to attend. The children will be exhibiting some of their art work for families to view. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet the families of WRDCC and learn how you can get involved! Child care is provided during the meeting, and the children will enjoy entertainment, pizza, crafts, and cookie decorating.

Please note: My office is located in the lower level of the school in the Junior School Age Room. Please feel free to send me an email or drop in and speak to me if you have any questions or concerns.

**Best Regards,
Anna Zizzari
Supervisor, WRDCC**

Spooky Thursday Cooking Classes

Banana Monster Muffins: October 8th

Spider Tacos: October 15th

Pumpkin Bread: October 22nd

Banana Ghosts: Tuesday, October 27th

Halloween Party

Our Halloween party will be held on Thursday October 29th 2015. There will be treats, music, Halloween stories and activities for the students to enjoy

Sarah Batten

My name is Sarah Batten and I am so happy to be working with your children and families (both new and familiar faces). I have been working at Williamson Road Day Care for almost five years. I started part-time in the mornings, and now I am thrilled to be full-time Registered ECE in the JR. School Age classroom. Since receiving my ECE (many years ago), I've always worked with children and families in a variety of settings.

Some of my experiences were in the City of Toronto Parks and Recreation department, as well as schools and daycares. For a time, I ran my own business (out of my home), where I conducted drama & art classes, as well as parent & tot programs. Did I mention I also went to Theatre School?!

I live with my 17 year old daughter, Maddy, my husband, John, and our two cats, Sigmund & Neko. I look forward to getting to know you and your family better, as well as a great year ahead!

Christina Bonofiglio

My name is Christina, and this is my first year at WRDCC. I'm excited at the opportunity to be working with the WRDCC family this year.

I began my studies at Seneca College, where I obtained a diploma in Early Childhood Education. I loved the program so much that I decided to further my studies therefore I attended the University of Guelph where I graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Education and a Bachelor of Science. During my studies I got the opportunity to work with many different age groups. My experience has given me the knowledge to plan and implement diverse and developmentally holistic learning experiences for your children.

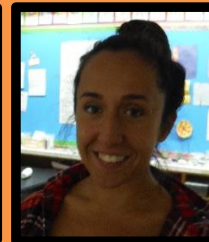
If you have any suggestions or ideas, please do not hesitate to approach our school age team! Once again, I'm really looking forward to the next year!

Anna Zizzari, Supervisor

I was born and raised in Vancouver, British Columbia. I moved to Toronto when I was 19 years old to continue my learning in Education. I attended Humber College in 2002 and then transferred to Ryerson where I received my degree in Early Childhood Studies. I began working for WRDCC in early 2007 as an Early Childhood Educator. I became the Assistant Supervisor in 2011 and was promoted as the Supervisor in 2013.

I knew from a young age that I wanted to be an educator. It is deeply fulfilling to watch each child grow more proficient and confident throughout the course of their time in our Centre. It is truly a privilege to watch as they discover themselves and grow. I train, assist, and manage our wonderful group of educators; without them, the day to day operations could not be done.

On my off time I enjoy playing squash, cross fit training, rock climbing and most of all I love to COOK! I have 2 dogs, Storm and Jake, and they go everywhere with me. I started at this Centre when it was only 4 staff and 27 children. In the last two years, we have grown to over 10 staff, and are currently licensed for over 70 children. I look forward to a great year and getting to know all of our children and families of WRDCC.



Brenda Darby

My name is Brenda Darby. I originally started at Williamson Road Public School as a lunch hour Supervisor. I then joined WRDCC in April of 1995. I recently celebrated my 20th Anniversary of working with the Centre. I have 2 grown children and 4 beautiful grandchildren and spend much of my time with my family.

When I'm not at the Centre you will find me walking around on Queen Street, this neighbourhood has been my home for over 44 years. I love the relationships that I've built with the families and children of WRDCC over these past years. Our Centre has grown vastly since I began at WRDCC and I look forward to meeting and learning about all of our new children and families.



Birgit Stoefer

My name is Birgit Stoefer. I was born in Morbach, Germany a long time ago! I studied Business Administration and worked for an international company as a purchasing agent. I immigrated to Canada in 1981, where I subsequently became a partner in a general contracting company in 1982.

I've always enjoyed working with children, and so I took an opportunity to work as a lunch time supervisor at Williamson Road Public School. In 2005, I finally joined the WRDCC team in a part-time position. I enjoy the outdoors, and nature. Often I can be found going for long walks with my husband of 34 years. I love to travel, to go camping, swimming, sports, gardening, reading and music.

I look forward to meeting all the new families and welcoming back our familiar faces! Cheers to a great year ahead!