



A learning experience for hospital volunteers

Collette Sewell, teaching dietician at Georgetown Hospital, was one of the speakers at the regional conference of hospital volunteers, hosted by Georgetown Hospital Volunteers Association, at North Halton Golf Course, Sept 25. The conference, attended by 45 volunteers from all over southern Ontario, featured speakers on health-related topics.

Photo by Ted Brown

Parents, staff and children celebrate the 40th anniversary of Maple Nursery School. Top row (from left), Gerry Hardcastle (teacher/supervisor), Shawndra Kelly (president) holding Garrett's hand and Lara in arms, Kelly Batten (teacher assistant), and Eliane Boumitry with Matthew. In front, Janice Power (treasurer) with Declan, and Ana Stranagan (registrar) with Elsa.

Maple Nursery School

Preschool celebrates its 40th anniversary

There's forty candles burning at Maple Nursery School — one for each year in operation.

The co-operative nursery school located in the Cedarvale Community Centre in Cedarvale Park was established in 1967 by a group of interested parents as a non-profit organization to provide a quality preschool experience for their children.

Maple Nursery School is a place where parents and children go to school together. Everyone has something to learn; everyone has something to teach.

A primary aim at Maple is to provide an enjoyable learning experience for your child—a place where your child can grow and create at his/her own level and in his/her own time.

One important mandate is to involve parents in their child's education. Without parent participation there would be no school. So another goal is to provide a worthwhile parent education program so they can enjoy and benefit from the experience in the school.

Parent involvement is also achieved through parent participation in the classroom environment and through a parent-run board of directors who ultimately run the school.

Maple Nursery School employs a staff of three teachers who are fully trained and certified in Early Childhood Education and one Teacher's Assistant. Each class consists of 12 children, one ECE teacher and one duty parent, assigned on a rotational basis. This makes the adult to child ratios 1:6. These ratios create an exceptional preschool experience for our children.

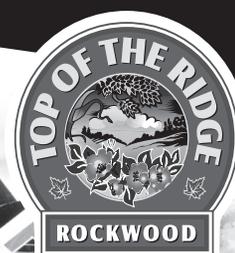
Morning programs at Maple Nursery School run from 9–11:30 a.m. and an afternoon program which runs from 1–3:30 p.m. The programs offer a nutritious snack including a drink which is provided by parents on a rotational basis.

Children at Maple Nursery School spend time each day in our playroom, creative room, gym or outdoors (when weather permits). The types of play at Maple include: block building; painting; playdough and clay; water play and sandbox; music; dramatic play; language communication; table toys; cutting and pasting; finger painting; science and social studies; play and socialization; gross and fine motor skill development.

For information on rates and program availability, contact the registrar at 905-877-7322. Parents are also welcome to tour or view our facilities at any time. For more details go to www.maplenurseryschool.com

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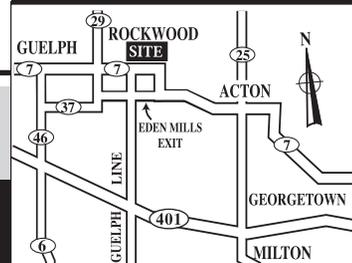
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