

# For Kids



Deanna Ellerton, 3, of Metcalfe, has a face-to-face encounter with a wet-nosed calf at the Herzig farm outside Russell. Deanna was on a nursery school tour of the farm in May.

Kathy Kelsey photos



The Herzig Family of R.R. 3, Russell, welcomed children from the Metcalfe Co-op Nursery School to their dairy farm on a fine day in May. The tots were taken on a tour of the barns and allowed to pet the young calves and see the other animals. Afterwards, cake and milk was served by Kathy Herzig and her daughter Francie and a good time was had by all.

## Tots visit Russell farm

Gregory Kelsey couldn't quite decide whether or not to join the other children making friends with a cow! Metcalfe Co-Operative Nursery School recently enjoyed a field trip to Kathi and Chris Herzig's farm in Russell, where they visited the calves, chickens and horses and enjoyed Kathi's famous hospitality in the form of chocolate cake, cookies and milk for the second year running.

Metcalfe Co-Operative Nursery School is a fully licensed pre-school offering programs for children from 30 months to five years old. The teachers aim to treat the children as individuals, letting them develop at their own rate while trying to spark their curiosity and developing their feeling of self-worth.

The program is not highly structured or academic in nature, but rather aims to broaden the child's total social, emotional, physical and intellectual development. The child is given freedom to experiment creatively in play, music, crafts; is encouraged to take pride in his own personal accomplishments; and is offered the companionship of children his own age.

The members believe the co-operative provides the opportunity for education of its parent members in the principles of child guidance through active participation in their child's first school experience, observation of trained staff working in the pre-school environment and special parenting workshops.

The school is situated at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Metcalfe and attracts members, not

only from the village population, but from the many out-lying areas such as Greely, Kenmore, Edwards, Russell and Vernon.

If you are attracted to the involvement in the on-going education of children, parents, and teachers, recognizing that the pre-

school years are the most informative, and that parents need support in guiding their children call Heather Dancer at 821-1318 for details of registration for the 1982/83 school year. Classes are limited to 20 children so call and reserve your space now.

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### Poetry

The drift is wider  
 The void seems longer  
 We need not fall  
 to endless ambiguity,  
 meaningless destruction.  
 War can be postponed forever.  
 The family of man can reject  
 its present values.  
 Live again!  
 Be part of self enslavement  
 no more.

Bruno Santilli.