

# Welcome to Senior Kindergarten

In support of the Family Centre's philosophy, family involvement is a key element of our program. We have an open door policy and invite parents to share in the daily events, as well as special events such as our Literacy day celebrations. Many parents joined us to share a favourite story of theirs in varying languages, embracing the cultural diversity present in our centre.



The kindergarten children discover many opportunities to play collaboratively together. We believe that this is a vital component to developing positive relationships, empathy for one another and an understanding of what being a community means.



The children are encouraged to develop their creative thinking and problem solving skills through many elements of the program. Thinking "outside the box" fosters the children's abilities to see things from a different perspective and allow them to challenge their understanding of how things are. This is nurtured by providing children with open-ended materials for art, construction, and free play.



The world around us is one of our most valuable teachers. We have incorporated the beautiful campus that surrounds us into our curriculum, supporting the children in developing an appreciation and respect for nature and the environment.

The unique partnership between the Kanata Research Park Family Centre and the Ottawa Carleton District School Board provides a program where the Registered Early Childhood Educators and School Board Teacher work collectively to offer a challenging, stimulating, effective program meeting the education requirements of a kindergarten core curriculum.