



# September 2011

## NEWSLETTER

**Koudijs Kids  
Home Child Care**



A warm and safe environment where children can learn, grow and have fun!

### Back to School

Well can you believe that summer is over and that the kids are going back to or starting school. Where did the time go. Rylan and Dylan are starting grade 1, Blake is in Senior Kindergarten and Ana begins her first year in "Big Kid School". All the best to all of them on successful school years!

### Field Trip!

So with the older kids gone away to school now, and our daily numbers lower, I was planning on taking the kids on a trip to Zooz in Stevensville. I have chosen to go on September 7th and bring Blake along with me as my helper since he does not have school that day. We will leave around 9:30am (they don't open until 10am) and return by 3:00pm in order to be home in time for the older boys to return from school. Permission forms will be sent home soon!

### Quotable Quotes

'Our heritage and ideals, our codes and standards - the things we live by and teach our children - are preserved or diminished by how freely we exchange ideas and feelings'

~ Walt Disney

### Cooler Weather

with the cooler weather on the way, please ensure you have spare clothes at the centre for all types of weather. This includes coats, hats, socks, runners, long sleeves, short sleeves, shorts and pants. Thank you for your cooperation.

### School Transportation

As of writing this newsletter, Blake is being bussed to school and I have to walk Dylan and Rylan to and from school everyday. This means I am requesting that children need to be dropped off by 8:30 at the latest for as soon as the bus leaves we will begin our walk (or drive on days that Blake doesn't take the bus) to school. If anything changes I will let you know. With having to pick up the boys I may be changing the nap schedule, as pick up time is 3:20. Again I will drive to pick up the boys on days that I can.

### Day Care Closures

This month the daycare will be closed on Monday September 5th for Labor Day.

Next month we will be closed on Monday October 10th for Thanksgiving.

Additional Closure Dates for 2011

Friday November 18th - Vacation Day

December 26th - 30th - Christmas Vacation

### Funshine Express

Starting in September we are going to be following the Fireflies Curriculum from Funshine Express. Just a note however. We will be following the 2010 curriculum. I had purchased the curriculum the last year however hadn't used it until the summer. So please don't be surprised when notes come home and the dates are off a little bit!

### Funshine Curriculum

This months themes are:

Count on Me

Fabulous Friends

Animals of the Forest

This month we will also be focussing on the letters A, B and C; numbers 1, 2, and 3; the color Red and introduce shapes.

### Annual BBQ!

Just a little thank you to all who attended the annual daycare BBQ. I really enjoyed having the opportunity for you all to see in the children interact for a prolonged period of time. I hope it was a fun evening for all.

For Better or For Worse

by Lynn Johnston

