

Newsletter



JANUARY 2026



Message From Directors

Happy New Year to all! We hope that the holiday season has been filled with family, friends, and a lot of relaxation. Bring on 2026!

As we begin a new year, we felt it was a good opportunity to remind the families in our program of how Greenbelt began and why we do what we do.

CLICK TO READ: GREENBELT ACADEMY - WHO WE ARE AND WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

With appreciation,
Tiffany, Jackie and Joelle



IMPORTANT DATES



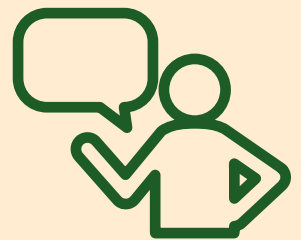
BACK TO SCHOOL!
Return to class.



World Discovery Day
Finland: People, food,
music, animals!



Community Day
Learn About Owls with Jeff.



Fun Day
Dress like your
favourite winter bird.



Senior Kindergarten
At the Pumphouse.



PROGRAM REMINDERS & UPDATE:

COMMUNICATION

Please find below some guidance on who to contact in our programs and why:

DIRECTORS

Please email us at greenbeltniagara@gmail.com

- Any program concerns
- Program information/ registration
- Program feedback
- Invoicing

TEACHERS

Please contact your classroom teacher through the Lillio App.

- Daily requests/ information- ex. sick messages, missing items, changes in routine (health check), early pickups etc.

WEEKLY UPDATES

We would like to remind families to please check the program updates sent weekly in Lillio. These reports are a reflection of the Teacher Directed opportunities (based on our Greenbelt Development Checklist- three teacher directed activities are offered each week), freeplay observations (what children actually did with the items added to the classroom environments) and Forest Program update (outlining our environmental literacy and nature immersion program). These updates are thoughtfully crafted by each classroom to not only share information

about what is going on in our programs, but also to hold us accountable to our pedagogy and ethos that we promote to families (ensure we are doing what we say we're doing). This ensures that educators are development experts through regular reference and facilitation of activities related to our Development Checklist, as well as daily observations made and reflected upon during interactions with our students. Families can also help build the skills offered in our programs by referencing and reflecting the experience with their children through the pictures and information shared in these updates.

INTERNAL RESTRUCTURING

We wanted to inform Greenbelt families that we are doing some internal restructuring, and our recreation programs will now be offered through our very own **Greenbelt Outdoors** organization!

What's staying the same:

- staffing & programming: Our current staff will be in the same roles as they are now, offering the same amazing outdoor curriculum

What's changing:

- email correspondence for recreational programs (everything outside of CWELCC preschool programs) will come from: **greenbeltoutdoorsinc@gmail.com**
- invoices & payments for recreational programs will be come from/ be sent to: **deposits@greenbeltoutdoors.ca**
- information for our outdoor recreation programs will be offered on a separate website (there will be a link on our current website to bring you there as well!)

Thank You!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2026/27 SCHOOL YEAR

As we plan for our 2026/27 school year, we ask that eligible families please fill out the Letter of Intention (link below) and return the form to us (preferably by email) by Friday January 9th, 2026. We have very limited spaces for our JK program and we are looking to get numbers of interested families before we release final occupancy availability details for the year.

Are you Eligible?

If your child is going to be four years old by December 31st, 2026 or/ your child is currently in our JK Program, you are eligible to apply for the 2026/27 Kindergarten Program.

Please find more information about our Kindergarten Program by following the link to our website:

[Kindergarten Program.](#)

If you have any questions please contact Directors.

**CLICK HERE TO FILL OUT THE
LETTER OF INTENT FOR THE
2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR**

DRESSING FOR

WINTER

As the weather continues to get colder, we need to make sure that all our students are dressed appropriately to help us extend our time outdoors. Please find the link to our Dressing for Winter Guide below

[CLICK HERE FOR THE DRESSING FOR WINTER GUIDE](#)

Winter Layers FOR KIDS

Add your base layer:



Add your mid layer:



Add your final layer:



Boots + Accessories



FOLLOW US ON:



www.greenbeltacademy.ca

EDUCATION. ROOTED IN NATURE.