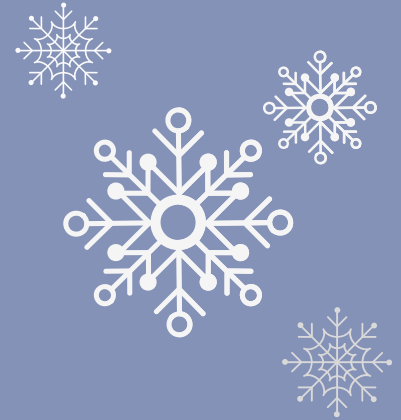




Kids Country Club



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Kids Country Club

What's happening ...

It's hard to believe that we are closing out 2021, our second year in a global pandemic! However, together is how we've made it through, and together we are looking forward to 2022. Here are some of the exciting things we are working on...

- Continued consistent respite, as we have now been deemed an essential service - Hooray!.
- Continued phases of reopening for our respite, with a strict focus on safety for all!
- Ongoing virtual and offsite supports, available to all our families.
- A full review of our services and the supports in our region to identify opportunities and gaps, with the goal of growing in new ways to further support our families.
- More active fundraising to raise awareness of who we are, and generate funds to enhance our programs.
- The launch of a new social media platform -- KCC hits "the gram". Soon everyone will be able to stay up-to-date on all the fun and happenings at Kids Country Club, through Instagram!



HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER



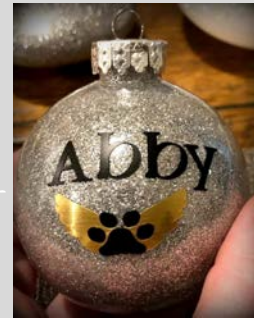
Enjoy fun, festive holiday cards and ornaments and help support KCC!

One of our key goals for 2022 is to grow and expand our services, and a big part of making that possible is fundraising. So, we are excited to close out the year with a **HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER!**

1. Custom Ornaments - \$6.00 each

Create a custom ornament for yourself or someone you love.

- Choose a name/word
- Pet's name with paw print
- Monogram - with year on the back (letter colour customizable, max 8 characters)



2. Fun & Sparkly Ornament Sets - \$20.00

A four pack of sparkly, fun, ornaments to decorate your tree:

- "Santa-Cam"
- "Noel"
- "Be bright"
- "Believe"



3. Holiday Card & Ornament Set - \$25.00

Enjoy 20 holiday cards created from beautiful art by our KCC kids.

- 5 unique designs
- 4 of each design per pack.

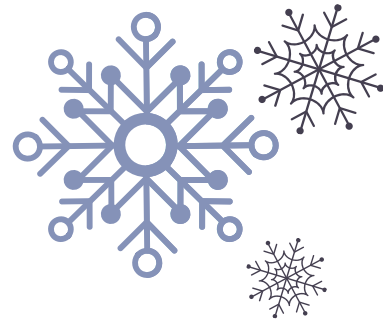
As well as two KCC Ornaments to help decorate your tree!



To place your order [click here](#) or email corie@kidscountryclub.org

Holiday Message

Executive Director
Sherry Groulx



Happy holiday everyone.

I am excited and ready for the holiday season and new beginnings!

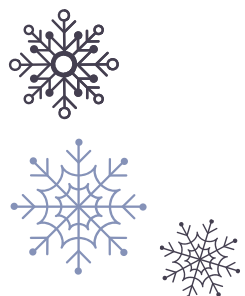
Over the next several months, Kids Country Club will collaboratively be working to engage families, staff, and our community partners to identify program gaps, and support services to better aid our families. We are looking forward to advancing our programming to better serve the families we care so deeply about. Everyone on our team, staff and Board, are committed to our Mission, Vision and Values of the Organization. We feel passionate about what we do, our families are the reason we are here. Please stay engaged and involved in any surveys and provide your feedback when you are able, we really want to make sure we are meeting your needs in the best way possible.

I would like to take this time to acknowledge my skilled team of staff, through a time of constant change you have been that one consistent thing. I used this quote in my AGM presentation this year as I felt it was reflective of our team “We are not a team because we work together, we are a team because we respect, trust and care for each other”. Our struggles have made us stronger and more connected to each other and the families we serve and that is reflective in your daily practice.

In closing, I am sending you well wishes for a happy holiday season filled with blessings, gratitude, health, and happiness.

With warm regards,

Sherry Groulx



Festive Crinkle Cookies



It's the most wonderful time of the year... CHRISTMAS COOKIE SEASON! And these festive Crinkle cookies definitely won't disappoint! Also, they are super fun and easy, meaning they are great for making with some little hands that want to help!

Ingredients

- White Cake Mix
- 2 Eggs
- 1/3 cup oil
- 1/3 cup powdered sugar
- Red and green food colouring



Directions:

- Mix eggs, oil and cake mix in a large bowl, it should have a play-doh like consistency.
- Separate dough into two equal amounts.
- In small bowls, dye one part red and the other part green.
- Refrigerate dough for 30 minutes to create fluffier cookies.
- Roll tablespoon-size balls of dough in powdered sugar and place them on a parchment-lined cookie sheet.
- Bake for 9-11 minutes at 375 degrees.



enjoy!

Holiday Greetings from the Board!



Scott Switzer
President

To all of my KCC family, fellow Board members, staff and most importantly our little friends and their families, I want to wish you all the most wonderful holiday season and happiest of New Years. I hope you are able to spend time with all of those you hold near and dear. Keep your sparkle! Merry Christmas!



Angela McMillan
Treasurer

"Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season filled with joy and laughter!"



Chris Dawson
Board member

After another year has come and gone, I would like to wish every single family in our wonderful community a very restful, festive and memorable holiday season. May you enjoy plenty of joyous moments with your loved ones. May you remain safe, healthy and happy. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all.



James Shields
Vice President

To all of our children, their families and staff of our great organization, may you have a wonderfully blessed holiday season.



Margo Collver
Secretary

To the families and staff at KCC, thank you for your ongoing support and commitment. This past year brought some new and some ongoing challenges, but together we faced them and, in most cases, flourished despite them. It is because of this collaboration, creativity and innovation that we continue to thrive. Thank you for all you have done, and best wishes for a blessed and joyous holiday season.



Gregory Cruncan
Board member

We are quickly approaching the end of another calendar year. At this time, many of us will engage in reflection of the past 365 days and see how we have grown. I wish everyone a holiday season full of laughter and love and a new year full of continued growth.



2021 Successes



Despite year two of a global Pandemic, the Kids Country Club team has worked diligently to implement and maintain stringent safety measures which have allowed us to remain open, stay safe, and continue to support our families by spending time with the children we love! As we look back on our year, we celebrate the smiles that were shared, the memories that were made and the successes we accomplished!



Deemed an essential Service by Public Health



76 Family Supported



5,213 Hours of Respite provided

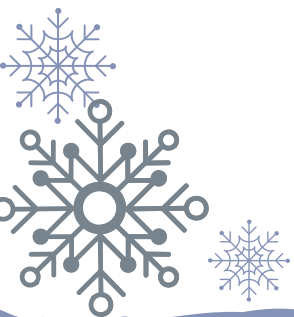


260 Family meals provided



272 Hours of virtual Supports

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"Doing what you love is freedom. Loving what you do is happiness."
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KCC Sibs Club



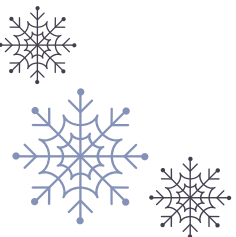
Just for Siblings!

When KCC had to think of ways to support our families during the pandemic, in new and creative ways, we started our Kids Country Club Sibling Program, nicknamed Sibs Club. Since starting this program we have reached out to our families to help the siblings of our clients learn just how special they are. Through this program, our Sibs Club participants have met other siblings of our MFTD kids and learned that they are not alone. We have also hosted virtual hangouts, game nights, and various outings to different locations monthly. Some of the fun in-person events we've recently hosted included a Movie Night, Kustermans Berry Farm, and Mini Golf, with many more events to be held in the future. Our siblings love the events and hanging out with each other, and the staff love it too!

We are also introducing a new add-on to our Sibs Club, the Sibs Monthly Birthday Club where we will celebrate each child's special day. If you have an idea you would like to share for our Sibs Club or are interested in joining in on the fun, email us at sibssupportlon@kidscountryclub.org.

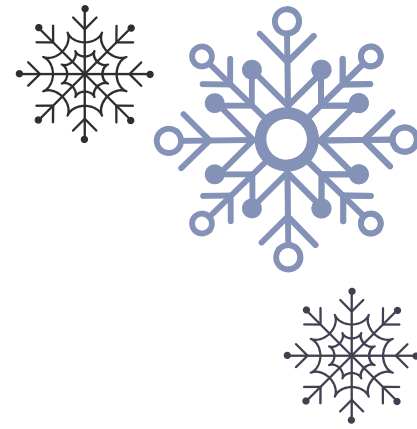
Thank you to Westminster College Foundation for their support in the continuation of this program....the kids and parents love it!

Thanks,
Michaela & Holly
(KCC Sibs Club Leads)



Admin Ask!

Administrative Manager
Luann Van Es



I hope everyone was able to get out to enjoy the recent fall colours. I sure did...fall is my favourite season. Now we head into the most wonderful time of the year!

This past year has seen a lot of changes and challenges at KCC with the ongoing pandemic and the change to the program in Cambridge. We sure miss the staff and families there and hope everyone is doing well.

Have you ever had a question for KCC but didn't ask it? How did KCC come to be? Where does KCC's funding come from? What are the guidelines for scheduling respite? What kind of training do KCC staff have? We welcome your questions, comments, suggestions, etc. Reach out to me at luann@kidscountryclub.org and I will compile a list to share out to everyone.

Merry Christmas,
Luann Van Es

What are you thinking?

We love hearing from you!



EMAIL

Reach out to share suggestions, ask questions or give feedback!



WEBSITE

Stay up-to-date on what's happening by visiting our website.



FACEBOOK

Join our Facebook page to share in our program fun.

Instagram coming soon...