

CLUB HUB Newsletter



Boys & Girls Club
of Kamloops

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NIGHTS ALIVE & JUMPSTART GET IN THE GAME ARTS

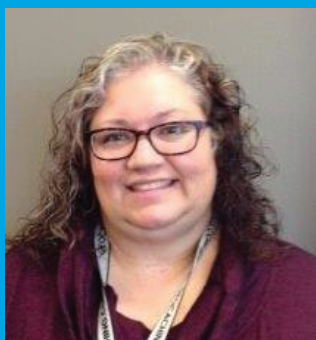
Nights Alive is a free drop-in program that runs every Friday night for youth between the ages of 13 and 18-years-old. It is a safe space to build friendships, receive mentorship, and experience a wide variety of activities. Many of the youth we support love to participate in the arts but often have limited opportunity to do so. Thanks to Canadian Tire Jumpstart Arts, we've been given a \$5000 grant to run a 12-week art program!



The youth will now have access to unique art supplies and will be immersed in a diverse range of artistic expression such as painting with acrylics, experimenting with clay, learning guitar, and much more. They will also have the opportunity to display their work at our Spring Showcase and Donor Appreciation Night.

Thank you Canadian Tire!

FEATURE STAFF: JENNIFER CLEAVELEY



Jen has actively worked with the Boys and Girls Club of Kamloops for 2 years. She is our John Tod After School Program Leader and our School Based Program Leader.

Jen is a strong presence at our Club. Her ability to build meaningful relationships with anyone she meets is outstanding. All the children, families, and schools we work with turn to Jen for effective coordination and support. Her calm, confident, and warm personality make her a well-respected role model and friend.

Jen can also handle any challenge that comes her way with grace. Her ability to settle stressful situations and behaviours is an immensely valuable skill and one we seek to learn and emulate. She has also been a foster parent for many years which has helped our Club build strong connections with social workers and the Ministry of Child and Family Development. Jen sincerely cares about our Club members, staff, and community, and we want her to know that we recognize and appreciate her huge heart.

Thank you for all you do, Jen. It means a lot.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

United Way Day of Caring
Our new deck in the courtyard!



Blue Jays Playoffs Day
Go Jays Go!



Holiday Parade
Our amazing youth volunteers!



Santa Visits the Club
Ho Ho Ho!



FEATURE PROGRAM: GirlSpace

GirlSpace is a partnership program with the Kamloops Y. It is a brand new program that began this October with the funding generosity of Ron and Rae Fawcett.

GirlSpace is for young girls between the ages of 9 and 13-years-old. It was designed to help build leadership skills, confidence, and self-esteem to empower girls to overcome barriers and stereotypes to reach their full potential. GirlSpace provides a safe and accepting space for girls to explore and expand their understanding of self, relationships, and community. They have the autonomy to design group activities based on their needs and interests, as well as participate in a variety of volunteer and educational experiences.

"Guess what? I am so lucky because in two more years I'll get to go to GirlSpace!" - Kitannah, Age 7



UPCOMING EVENTS

January 20th

Professional Development Day
(Club Open)

February 13th

Family Day (Club Closed)

February 22nd

Pink Shirt Day

February 24th

Professional Development Day
(Club Open)

March 20th to April 2nd

Spring Break

April 14th

Good Friday (Club Closed)

April 17th

Easter Monday (Club Closed)

April 24th

Professional Development Day

A BIG THANK YOU!

The community support we received this fall was incredible! We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the following people and organizations for their remarkable generosity.

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Each person and organization had a significant impact on our Club and community and allowed us to give back in bigger ways. We truly cannot thank you enough!