



## Parent-Child Mother Goose News from Calgary:

### *- Greetings from Mandarin Mother Goose Program*

*It has been 6 years since I began to organize the Mandarin Mother Goose Program for families At Families Matter in Calgary. It is so exciting to watch the growing of the program. I still remember the families who first came to the program and now we have more than 15 families with 20 children. The attendees vary from 5 month old infant to grandparents in their 60's. Occasionally, some dads visit us too. Participants are from many different area of China Including Mainland, Hong Kong and Taiwan. During the 90 minutes program, all the participants sing songs, say rhymes, do movements, listen to stories, do quiet activities and have free playing time.*

*It is wonderful to see the moms and children begin to acquaint each other and become willing to spend more time together. Outside of the program, they have been visiting the Science Center and Calgary Zoo and the group even organized a trick-or-treat in a shopping mall. They build relationships and friendships through the program.*

*After moving to Canada, they like to raise and educate their children in the culture and system of Canada and wish to fit in quickly.*



*submitted by Lidia Sun*

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## Mother Goose Across Canada ...

### Parent-Child Mother Goose Program Takes Flight

By Rachel Wagner Lemblé as seen in the Montreal Children's Library's newsletter

With over 400 families speaking 29 different home languages, our weekly pre-literacy music program for parents and their infants represents the joy and diversity of the Montreal area. Professional photographer, Méliissa Giguère, volunteered to take pictures and show just that.

What parents are saying: "Mother Goose has made me a better mom. Sometimes when I am feeling frustrated with my kids I start to sing the songs we learned...it's hard to be stay angry while singing." "I missed my exercise class...but I needed to go to Mother Goose." "This program has been a salvation for me."

We couldn't be more grateful to offer this program and for those who so fully sustain Mother Goose's "flight." We opened our tenth site in January 2017. We invite you to join us at the site and day most convenient to your family. Find more information at our website: [www.mcl-bjm.ca/mother-goose](http://www.mcl-bjm.ca/mother-goose)

We are also excited to announce that we are authorized to conduct Teacher Training Workshops in English or French for potential Mother Goose Animators. This two-day workshop covers program logistics, techniques, rhymes, songs and oral storytelling. A program participant wrote, "I took from this workshop: Confidence, resources, examples of how to adapt to our community, and a detailed explanation of the "why" this is valuable." We invite any interested party to contact me at [wagner.rachel@gmail.com](mailto:wagner.rachel@gmail.com) to schedule a site visit and see how the Parent-Child Mother Goose Program can help your community take flight!



## ... and in Iran! ...

Once in a conference in Comp lake, Italy I met Marilyn Dank from Australia who presented their work on PCMG there. I became so much interested in this program and after returning to my country, Iran started to search and read a lot about PCMG and its theoretical basis.

I was in close contact with her and soon I started to do a program (not exactly PCMG) in some clinics for deaf children in Tehran. It was an exciting experience and mothers and children enjoyed it a lot. So I decide to learn the program fully and bring it to my country.

Marilyn Dann helped me so much and I went to Melbourne, Australia to learn PCMG very well. PCMG group held an intensive workshop for me there and I participated in some of their programs too. I was there 2 weeks and saw many programs for their deaf kids in Taralye center and got my certificate.

Then I came to Iran and started PCMG here. I called it Faranak PCMG in memory of my mom, Faranak Hessabi. Since then we have held many programs, continually in my own early intervention clinic, Faranak clinic.

PCMG is really amazing .Children love it and mothers really enjoy it. As a lecturer in USWR University ,I try to introduce it to my students too.I held many workshops, did it live in several conferences with deaf children and their mothers so that other centers become interested in it.

Also I did some researches about Faranak PCMG and presented them in several national and international conferences.

We have weblog,instagram,facebook,telegram Chanel ,LinkedIn .I also gather the most popular Iranian songs and rhymes which we use in Faranak PCMG in a book. One of my students choose Faranak PCMG as her dissertation to get her degree in MA in Psychology & Education of Exceptional Children,from which we extract two papers,impress.

I am so happy to do this and will continue it because I believe it can do a lot for deaf children and their families. I really appreciate dear Marilyn Dann, all PCMG Australia and also Taralye centers chief and staff for their kindness and I try to spread this kindness to all children in my country.

**Dr Gita Movallali**





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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Please join us November 28, 2017 at 3:00 pm EST.  
This will be a teleconference meeting.**

If you are in the Toronto area, or you are able to absorb the phone charges,  
dial 1-416-915-1158

Otherwise, please call toll free: 1-866-446-9743.

Participant code: 580586#

### **RSVP**

Please contact Nancy Thurston at [nancy@maggiesplace.ca](mailto:nancy@maggiesplace.ca) if you are able to participate in the meeting. You will receive an agenda and annual report prior to the meeting via email.

A proxy form is attached to this newsletter invitation. If you are unable to join us, please designate a member to vote on your behalf and send the completed form PRIOR TO THE MEETING to Nancy Thurston at [nancy@maggiesplace.ca](mailto:nancy@maggiesplace.ca).

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## ... News from National Council ...

### ***Help wanted!***

The P-CMGP National Council are looking for volunteers to join us on our council! We presently have 8 members on our council and are looking for a few more to join us and share their passion, and experience, for the P-CMGP with us. Our council members presently come from: BC, AB, QC, ON and NS. We would love to have members of our council from other areas of the country to share your unique perspective.

A complete 'position description' may be obtained by contacting Nancy Thurston, Communications Committee, at [nancy@maggiesplace.ca](mailto:nancy@maggiesplace.ca)

### **Memberships:**

A reminder as we come up on year end that we need your support as members of Parent-Child Mother Goose to continue to do the work we do to keep program teachers, teacher trainers and those who are friends to P-CMGP up to date and connected across the country. Although the National Council took over the day to day managing of the National P-CMGP 11 years ago, we do have Catherine Taylor working in Toronto as our Administrative Assistant to look after the various details we cannot as volunteers. ***Your membership also allows you to be a voting member at our yearly AGM.*** You will find the P-CMGP Membership form as part of this newsletter.

**We appreciate your continued support!**

Please keep in touch with us:

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## ... Training and Program Resources ...

**We have various rhyme books, books of stories and CDs available for sale as resources for your P-CMG programs.**

**Please check out our website at <http://nationalpcmgp.ca/> to see what is available.**



**For resource inquiries, please contact: [mgoose@web.net](mailto:mgoose@web.net) or 416 588 5234 ext. 21**

## Training Opportunities

Check out the training calendar at <http://nationalpcmgp.ca/training/> for training opportunities near you.

All Parent-Child Mother Goose training is scheduled through the Toronto office.

Contact Sarah, 416 588 5234, [mgoose@web.net](mailto:mgoose@web.net) if your Agency would like to host a Teacher Training Workshop, a Building On Your Experience Workshop ( for already trained teachers ) or My Grandma, and Your Grandma Storytelling Workshop.

### **Share your program with the rest of the P-CMGP Network!**

Write about your program for the Network News newsletter. It brings joy, strengthens the network and creates new energy when you share your stories across Canada and Australia.

We love to include your stories, pictures and news.

Please send submissions to Nancy Thurston Communications Committee:

[nancy@maggiesplace.ca](mailto:nancy@maggiesplace.ca)

## ... Favorite Rhymes ...

### **Zoom, Zoom** (a bounce rhyme)

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom  
We're going to the moon,  
Zoom, Zoom, Zoom  
We're going to the moon,  
If you want to take a trip  
Climb on board my rocket ship

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom  
We're going to the moon.  
5-4-3-2-1-BLAST OFF!

### **Bumping Up & Down** (a bounce rhyme)

Bumpin' up and down in my little red wagon  
Bumpin' up and down in my little red wagon  
Bumpin' up and down in my little red wagon  
Having so much fun

Here come my friends in their little red wagons  
(Repeat as in verse one)

Look at me in my little red wagon  
(Repeat as in verse one)

Pull me around in my little red wagon  
(Repeat as in verse one)

Turn the corner in my little red wagon  
(Repeat as in verse one)

Bumpin' up and down in my little red wagon  
(Repeat as in verse one)  
Having so much fun  
We're having so much fun

### **Teddy Bear** (a finger rhyme)

In this house there is a room  
And in this room there is a bed  
And in this bed is a little teddy bear  
With a great big cold in his head—Achoo!  
With a great big cold in his head—Achoo!

And if this little teddy bear  
Stays in bed and he takes care  
Soon he'll be out, running all about  
With no more cold in his head—Achoo!  
With no more cold in his head—Achoo!

## ... Tote Bag Order Form ...



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### TOTE BAG

**\$23.00 ea**  
**(Includes tax & shipping anywhere in Canada!)**  
17.5" W x 16" H x 3.75" D

- 12 ounce Cotton Canvas
- 1.5" W contrasting self-material top decorative band
- 1" self-material colored hand straps
- Contents not included

100% Natural cotton processed AZO-Free, with no hazardous chemicals

SP PP PS - 12" W x 11" H (front/back)

**Please mail or email this form with your payment to:**

**The National Parent-Child Mother Goose Program®**

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**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Agency** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address**

**City/Town** \_\_\_\_\_ **Prov** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Bags:** \_\_\_\_\_ (**\$23 ea including tax & shipping in Canada**)

**Total Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**OR**

**Credit Card Info: Name on card:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## PARENT-CHILD MOTHER GOOSE PROGRAM® PROXY VOTE FORM

### Voting Member appointing the Proxy

Name:

Address:

### Voting Member appointed as Proxy

Name:

Address:

### STATEMENT BY THE PERSON APPOINTING THE PROXY:

I the undersigned, named as the person above, hereby state that I am a qualified voting member of the Parent-Child Mother Goose Program® and entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting on November 28, 2017.

I authorize the proxy holder to act for me in the following areas: (please check)

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> approval of the agenda | <input type="checkbox"/> minutes from last AGM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> financial report       | <input type="checkbox"/> election of directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> amendment of objects   |  |

Signature of the person appointing the Proxy

Signed in the presence of:

Signature of witness

Date

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### Parent-Child Mother Goose Program® Because.....

- A strong membership demonstrates that our work has community support
- As an informed member you can become a voice for the program
- Your questions and comments can help us develop our resources, our programs and our outreach

#### Program & Agency Members \$50.00 (Includes International Members)

- Receive three electronic newsletters each year
- May use the registered trademarked name and logo
- May photocopy newsletters or articles from the P-CMGP®
- Receive results of research and professional studies of the program
- Receive notification of special events and new publications
- May attend and vote at our Annual General Meeting and elect the National Council Members
- Send us regular reports to help us advocate for the program and to plan for new resources and training
- Receive electronic copies of our brochure to assist with program promotion and outreach
- Your P-CMGP program is posted on our website for others to find!

Our membership cycle is January 1st - December 31st

Please mail this form with your annual fee and/or donation to: The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program®

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