



Community Child Care ~ April 2016

Spring at Last!

Now that spring is here, ask parents to provide extra clothing for when you go for a walk in the rain or when the children jump in puddles and get soaking wet.

The temperatures vary widely at this time of the year. In the cool mornings children might need all their winter outdoor clothes including a warm hat and mittens, but by noon they might need only a light jacket and sun hat.

Take the children outside every day, rain or shine. Rain won't hurt them, and the fresh air and opportunity to run and play will be good for their health and development.

Think of all the fun things you can do in the rain: count worms, tell the colours of umbrellas, watch the windshield wipers go swish-swish-swish on the cars and trucks as they pass by.

Puddles are lots of fun to jump in. If water is running down the street to a drain small sticks make great boats and watching for cars is an important life skill. The children can use recycled containers to collect water pouring out of the eavestrough downspouts. Figure out which containers hold more by pouring the water from one container to another. Experiment to figure out what floats and what sinks. Go outside and have fun!

Licensing



Our program advisor has come and gone and the agency's license is renewed for another year. She checked all our files and visited 10 per cent of our daycare homes. Thank you all very much for your cooperation in getting ready for licensing and for welcoming the Ministry advisor into your home. We know how unsettling it can be for you and the children to have a stranger make a surprise visit to your daycare. We sincerely appreciate your good humour and cooperation.

Although there were a few documents missing and some recommendations for things we can improve, the Ministry advisor commented on the excellent job you are doing with the children and with your programming. We know that you do a fabulous job, but it was nice to hear the Ministry representative agree.

Cleaning Highchairs and Booster Seats

Several highchairs and booster seats returned to the agency recently looked clean at first glance, but there was a collection of old food under the pad, and the underside of the pad was disgustingly dirty.

If you use a highchair or booster seat that has a pad, it is important that you clean all the surfaces, including underneath the pad. The pads are removable. Most can even be washed in the washing machine on the gentle cycle and hung to dry. If you are not sure how to remove the pad, ask your advisor.

It is your responsibility to frequently clean and sanitize the equipment you use for the children. When you return equipment to the agency, you are to make sure it is in good condition, ready to be delivered to another provider.



PD Days

English Public and Catholic – April 15
French Public and Catholic– April 11

Statutory Holidays:

There are no statutory holidays in April.
The next one is Victoria Day,
Monday, May 23, 2016

If your parents require care ask them to contact the office to have it approved.



Room to Bloom May 14th 2016

Literacy

Pinecrest-Queensway
Community Health Centre

1365 Richmond Rd

Registration begins at 8:15

Conference from: 8:45 to 3:15

Physical
Fun

Numeracy



Cost: \$30 before April 1st / \$40 from April 1st to April 22nd



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CHILD CARE PROVIDERS
RESOURCE NETWORK
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 22nd 2016

****** EARLY BIRD DEADLINE: March 31st 2016 *SAVE \$10.00**

NON REFUNDABLE AFTER MAY 1st 2016

Follow these instructions to register online:

1. Go to www.ccprn.com – click on **create an account** – this will be *free of charge*.
2. Fill in all areas that have a red *. The account type will be: **Caregiver – Non-Member (FREE)**
3. Click on **Continue**.
4. Click on **OK** in the confirmation box.
5. Go to **Calendar of Events** – click on **May 14**, put a “1” in the box that indicates your language of choice: Adult French \$30.00 ___; or Adult English \$30.00 ___. Put a “0” in the other box. Click on **Register**; read the box - click on **OK**.
*** *Between April 1st and April 22th inclusive – the cost is \$40.00.*
6. Go to **My Account** – scroll half way down - **Make a Payment** – from there you fill out the boxes to pay by Visa or MasterCard.

Registration information for payments by cheque only:

If you are not paying by Visa or MasterCard please send in a cheque, payable to CCPRN immediately

Mail to: CCPRN, 275-30 Colonnade Rd., Ottawa ON, K2E 7J6.

Include a stamped self-addressed envelope for your receipt and confirmation letter.

Name:

Address:

Phone No:

Email:

Agency/Affiliation:

Language: English French

