

North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency

PARENT E-NEWS November 2016



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2016 - 2017 Statutory Holidays

Friday	November 11 th	Remembrance Day
Monday	December 26 th & 27 th	Boxing Day in lieu of Christmas Day
Monday	January 2, 2017	In lieu of New Years Day

Providers are entitled to statutory holidays off with pay. If you will be taking additional days off before or after these holidays, as a courtesy, please inform your provider well in advance of your planned holidays.

The office will also be closed
December 14th for staff training.



For the past several months the agency has been collecting donations for the Edmonton Food Bank.

In October Tammy and Debi presented the donations to Edmonton's Food Bank.

A total of \$860 was collected. \$510 raised by parents and providers, and \$350 was matched by the agency. Two full bins of donated food items were also collected and donated.

Thank you to everyone who participated in making this service project a great success.

With the a chill in the air it is recommended that children come to the day home with warm clothing for when they go outside to play.

A warm coat or layers of clothing, hats, mittens, and of course warm footwear so they are comfortable when they are go outside and play.



Account Information:

- ❖ In order for the office to process any changes to your account, including bank account changes, the information needs to be brought to the attention of the office by the 20th of the month. After the 20th of the month changes will be processed the following month.
- ❖ There is a charge for all NSF cheques of \$25.00.
- ❖ Credits on an auto account will be refunded at a parent's request.
- ❖ Credit Questions – We are only able to answer your questions regarding credits to your account after your provider has submitted her final timesheet and it has been checked, which is after the fourth business day of the month.
- ❖ A late fee is applied after the fourth working day of the month.
- ❖ Parents are responsible for paying full fee if subsidy is not in place on the first day of the month.

Account questions can be directed to Lori for further information.



November 20, National Child's Day

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Why is Belonging Important?

Children sense of identity and belonging are interwoven within their rights. Developing a strong sense of belonging ensures children have a positive sense of who they are, and feel valued and respected as part of a family community and the world at large.



Children's culture, languages and religion are intricately tied to who they are and who they will become. A sense of belonging creates a strong foundation for children's learning and development. A sense of belonging supports healthy mental, physical, spiritual and sexual well-being. Children who feel they belong are happier, more confident and feel safer and are more relaxed.

What Contributes to a Sense of Belonging?

Family is the root of identity, where first attachments form and are foundational to children's sense of belonging. Safe housing, quality early learning and childcare and healthy relationships are key contributors as well. Play, physical activity and recreational opportunities are essential. A sense of belonging is fostered when immigrant, refugee, newcomer children are welcomed and included in our communities. Feeling connected and included is important for all children regardless of their abilities. Children deserve to grow up in an environment that is free from violence, bullying and intimidation. All children benefit from opportunities to express their own ideas, preferences, interests and needs and to have these responded to with respect and consistency.

(Adapted from A Canada Fit for Children, 2015- Identity, Rights and Belonging released by the Landon Pearson Resource Centre for the Study of Childhood and Children's Rights) Information from "Its our Right to Belong" Tool Kit
<https://nationalchilddayab.files.wordpress.com/2015/05/national-child-day-tookit-final-sept-23.pdf>

**Bullying Awareness Week
November 13 – 19**

Preventing Bullying In Early Childhood

preventingbullying.promoteprevent.org/preventing-bullying-in-early-childhood

What Is Bullying?

Bullying is a form of emotional or physical abuse that has three defining characteristics:

Deliberate - A bully's intention is to hurt someone.

Repeated - Often targets the same victim again & again.

Power imbalanced - A bully chooses victims he or she perceives as vulnerable.

Did you know that bullying behaviors emerge in early childhood? Early childhood educators play a critical role in determining whether bullying develops and escalates, or whether it is stopped and prevented.

Young children's bullying often looks different from bullying among older children. Understanding the variety of ways that young children may become involved in bullying in early childhood settings can help educators prevent and stop bullying.

When concerned adults are prepared, they can nip bullying in the bud.

This is the best downloadable booklet you will find on how to recognize and prevent bullying in early childhood.

DOWNLOAD THIS GREAT RESOURCE TODAY!!

http://www.promoteprevent.org/sites/www.promoteprevent.org/files/resources/Eyes%20on%20Bullying%20in%20Early%20Childhood_1.pdf

North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency would like to *thank the following providers* for so generously opening their homes as a field placement site, and acting as a mentor to students from the Norquest College Day Home Provider Program.

- ❖ Glory Lordusamy
- ❖ Huma Ijaz
- ❖ Patricia Flores
- ❖ Devlet Kaya
- ❖ Michelle Seecheran
- ❖ Hitaf Hajjar
- ❖ Rizwana Qureshi
- ❖ Jaspreet Kaloti
- ❖ Harjap Dutta
- ❖ Sylvianne Robinson

During the week of October 31- November 4th the students will attend our day homes for the purpose of practicing observation skills and program planning. They have been in classes eight weeks and welcome the chance to put their new skills and knowledge into practice.

The following providers planned and participated in activities for Grandparent's Day/Family Inclusion.

Stacey Achtem - random draw winner of a \$50.00 gift card

Sylvianne Robinson

Susan Jakab

Aisha Ahmed

Karen Turnbull

Barb Smith

Farina Javed Qazi

Participants received a \$25.00 gift card



Children in Lovise's day home made handprint art for Grandparent's Day.

The Results are in for the Summer Reading Challenge

Mentorship Reading

\$15.00 Chapters Gift Certificate
Harper Sasserville
10, 138 km

Mentorship Runner Up

\$15.00 Chapters Gift Certificate
read
Mason Dugvette

Farthest Distance Read - Independent Reader

\$15.00 Chapters Gift Certificate
Hailey Hoogland
2,961 km

Day home Combined Readers Total Distance

\$50.00 Chapters Gift Certificate
Kathy Hoogland
41,464 km

Random Draw Participant Winners

\$30.00 Chapters Gift Certificate
Dorothy Tan and Marie Kristine Alberto

All participants received a gift bag.



North East Edmonton Early Childhood Development Coalition and Inspired Minds ECC

Presenting

FREE!

November Professional Development Workshop Series

Wednesday Evening Series:
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

November 16
Which Way to the Brain? Brain Smart Strategies to Support Early Learning and Development
Clareview Recreation Centre
3804-139 Ave. NW (Multipurpose Rm #2)

November 23
Making Connections for Learning: Providing Quality Interactions
North Family Day Home Agency
12704-101 Street NW

November 30
It Isn't any Trouble Just to S-M-I-L-E: Supporting Social-Emotional Development with Young Children
Clareview Recreation Centre
3804-139 Ave. NW (Multipurpose Rm #2)

Which Way to the Brain?

Making Connections for Learning

It Isn't any Trouble Just to S-M-I-L-E

Book Your Spot Now!

Limited Spaces Available!

Contact [Amanda](#) at KARA Family Resource Centre
Email: edmontonne1@fcssaa.org
Phone: 780.478.5396 ext. 243




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Saturday Mornings Series:
9:00 – 11:00 AM

November 12
Which Way to the Brain? Brain Smart Strategies to Support Early Learning and Development
Abbotsfield Recreation Centre
3010-119 Avenue NW

November 19
Making Connections for Learning: Providing Quality Interactions
Abbotsfield Recreation Centre
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November 26
It Isn't any Trouble Just to S-M-I-L-E: Supporting Social-Emotional Development with Young Children
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The North Central Early Years Coalition is celebrating National Child Day with EPL again this year on November 20th. Participating libraries celebrating this year are:

- Abbotsfield
- Calder
- Capilano
- Castle Downs
- Highlands
- Idylwyld
- Londonderry
- McConachie
- Mill Woods
- Strathcona
- Whitemud Crossing

Jamie Platz YMCA on the west end is also participating in NCD activities. North Central will be at Calder, Londonderry, and Castledowns the library.

Highlights of the Culture and Diversity Workshop

Providers attended a culture and diversity workshop where they not only learned the importance of celebrating our diversity and culture but how we can incorporate it into our daily programming.

It was also a great opportunity to learn more about the indigenous people of Canada.



Providers had the opportunity to check out a traditional Tipi (Teepee) and to cook bannock over an open fire.



Staff took the opportunity to wear their orange "Every Child Matters" shirt to bring awareness about residential schools.

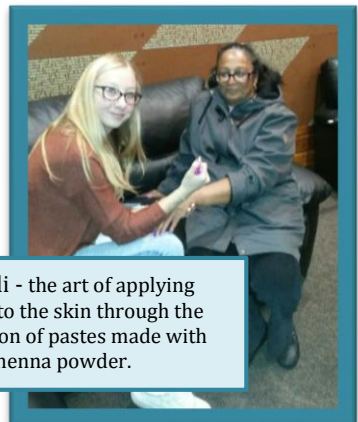
Orange shirt day is held on September 30th every year to honour and bring awareness to the experiences of residential school students.

Orange shirt day has become an opportunity for First Nations, Metis and Inuit governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation.



Hands on . . .
Instruments from
around the world.

Rangoli - an art form from India in which patterns are created on the floor in living rooms or courtyards. Usually made during Diwali (Deepawali), Onam, Pongal and other Indian festivals.



Mehndi - the art of applying designs to the skin through the application of pastes made with henna powder.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

November 11 Remembrance Day

Many ceremonies around the city including at the Legislative Grounds, the Butterdome and the Beverly Cenotaph.

City Hall

The service will be led by the Commanding Officer of **The Loyal Edmonton Regiment**. His Worship, Mayor Don Iveson will also be in attendance.

Location: City Room, City Hall

Time: 10:15-10:35am

Wreath-laying Ceremony

Following the service in the City Room, there will be an outdoor procession to the City Hall cenotaph, where wreaths will be laid.

Location: City Hall cenotaph (outside on the City Hall Plaza)

Time: 10:55-11:30am

Remembrance Day Ceremony at the U of A Butterdome

A Remembrance Day ceremony will take place in the Butterdome at Van Vliet Centre, University of Alberta (89 Avenue and 112 Street). The public is invited as we pay our respects to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in Canada's past conflicts. People are requested to be seated by 10am.

The DBA Christmas on the Square Holiday Light Up

The lighting up of the massive Christmas tree in **Sir Winston Churchill Square** along with live holiday entertainment and an amazing fireworks show from 4-7pm.

Admission is FREE call: 780-424-4085



All is Bright

November 19th – 4pm -9pm
124 street between 102 and 108 avenue
we will light up the night with a variety
of **FREE** winter activities.

For more information :
124street.ca/all-is-bright/



OUTSIDE Santa Parade of Lights FREE

Starts at 5pm

Check out the
edmontonparade.com for
the parade route.