

# North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency

## Parent E-News August 2017



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### 2017 Statutory Holidays

Monday	August 7	Heritage Day
Monday	September 4	Labour Day
Monday	October 9	Thanksgiving Day
Saturday	November 11	Remembrance Day - <b>Observed on Saturday, no day in lieu</b>
Monday	December 25	Christmas 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.

### Ages and Stages - ASQ-3

In July providers received and began completing the ASQ-3 developmental screening form for each child in care.

The questionnaire includes questions about a child's communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and personal-social skills.

The screening tool is tracking that your child is reaching developmental milestones for their age.

In most cases the questionnaire will show that your child is developing without concerns.

If the questionnaire shows possible concerns, we will contact you about getting a more involved assessment for your child.

Information from the Ages and Stages is a vital tool used by providers to help develop individual program plans for your child.

### Notice:

Parents should have had the opportunity to sign a notice of the September fee increase at their provider's home. Please speak with your provider if you have not signed the notice document.

### Edmonton's Heritage Festival,

August 5, 6, & 7  
William Hawrelack Park

Sample delicious food, see creative performances and experience Canada's multiculturalism. Enjoy the tastes, smells, sights and sounds from 100 countries and cultures at 71 pavilions. Explore the festival and enjoy the free entertainment at over 25 stages throughout the park.



### When Calling the Office

- Call once and leave a message
  - Leave your name and spell it for us
  - Leave your number
- Your call will be returned as soon as possible.



In June the Agency celebrated the fifth anniversary of two of our wonderful consultants, Melissa and Tammy.

## workshops

### Sun Safety Tips For Babies and Children

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/sun-safety/sun-safety-tips-parents.html>



- Keep babies under one year out of direct sunlight to prevent skin damage and dehydration. Never let them play or sleep in the sun.
- Keep babies in the shade, under a tree, an umbrella, or a canopy. Never leave children in a parked vehicle.
- Sunscreen will protect against the sun's harmful UV rays, but will not protect children from the heat.
- Give lots of cool liquids. Water or breast milk are best.
- Do not put sunscreen on a baby less than 6 months old; ask your health care provider first.
- Never use baby oil to protect children from the sun. It will not protect them and will do them more harm.
- Follow the UV index readings each day to plan outdoor activities.
- The sun's UVB rays are strongest between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and it is also usually the hottest time of day. Unless the child is protected, keep them out of the sun during these hours.
- In strong sunlight, have children wear a rimmed, breathable sun hat and sunglasses, and cover their skin with clothes or sunscreen.
- Get children used to wearing sunscreen early on. Pay close attention to the areas that are most exposed, like their face, lips, ears, neck, shoulders, back, knees, and the tops of their feet.
- Never let young children stay in the sun for long periods, even when wearing sunscreen.

Parents are invited to register for two up coming workshops the agency is offering to both parents and providers. (no children)

**Register by calling the agency at 780-478-3376**

### Loose Parts

**DATE: Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup> 2017**

TIME: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

LOCATION: St. Dominic Savio Parish,  
(basement, enter through the parking lot side door)  
14406-62 street



Loose Parts is a kind of play that stimulates a child's curiosity and sparks their imaginations and creativity?

**Loose parts** uses open ended learning materials that can be moved, carried, combined, redesigned, lined up, and taken apart and put back together in multiple ways.

Loose parts creates infinite play and possibilities.

### Sensory Play

**DATE: Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

TIME: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm  
LOCATION: Sejong Multicultural Centre

**2503- Ellwood Drive** (Southside off of the Henday, between 91 street and Parsons Rd.)

Sensory play has an important role in a child's development. Sensory exploration is a child's way of exploring their world.



# Provider Appreciation May 2017

*What a privilege to celebrate our providers, their accomplishments and dedication to the field of Early Childhood.*



Delores 30 years of Service



10 years of Service



Twiligh 25 years of Service



5 years of Service



Azar Completed Level Two Post Secondary

*Providers heard two presentations during our time together.*



Presenter Dr. Janice Dacyshyn  
Naturopath



Presenter Linda Mak  
Money Mentors



What a wonderful lunch  
we all had.



## Community Events

### Cariwest Caribbean Arts Festival

Come celebrate Caribbean culture with Cariwest. Cariwest is an annual three day Caribbean Arts Festival that takes place in the heart of Downtown Edmonton. Dazzling costumes, lively music, street theatre and tantalizing cuisine will surely get your heart pounding.

August 11 – 13, 2017

Churchill Square and Shaw conference centre.

Free and Ticketed Events.

For details check out their website: <https://www.cariwest.ca>



### Edmonton International Fringe Festival ~ Kids Fringe

Fun for the whole family.

August 17 – 27

Old Strathcona Area

Kids Fringe is FREE

For Details <http://www.fringetheatre.ca/festival/kidsfringe/>

### Edmonton Dragon Boat Festival

In addition to the Dragon Boat racing, take in the cultural festival showcasing Asian arts.

August 18-20

Cultural Festival – Louise McKinney Park

Races: North Saskatchewan River

FREE



### Edmonton Latin Festival

The Edmonton Latin festival is vibrant and energetic two day outdoor festival that happens every year on the third week of August. International Live Musical artists and Dancers are just some of the highlights. Savory authentic Latin food pavilions, kids booth and an Artisan Market place surround this Latin Carnival.

August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Churchill Square

FREE

