

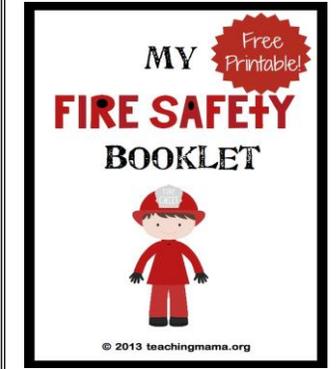
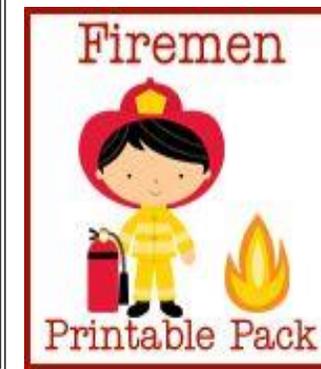
**Upcoming Fire Station Open House**

**October 13 (Saturday)**, Station 25 - Lake District 8403 167 Ave.  
**November 3 (Saturday)**, Station 20 – Kaskitayo 2303 105 St.  
 If you are planning a visit to a Fire Station share these dates and invite your day home families to join your own family for a fun field trip! *Accreditation Standard 3.3 a & d*

Have the children engage in some awesome dramatic play while learning fire safety. Save large boxes (or call furniture/appliance stores to ask for some) to create buildings or to transform them into fire trucks. Turn blue pool noodles into fire hoses or tape strips of red and orange tissue paper to a fan to mimic flames for some engrossing fire theme fun!

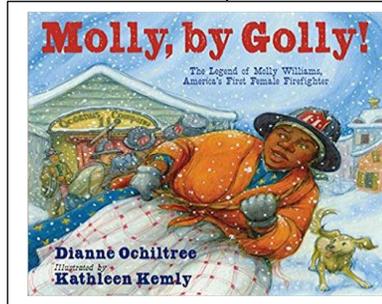
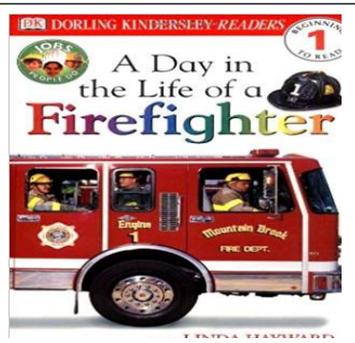


**Free Fire Safety Printable Booklet** – Visit this site to download a super cute and helpful Fire Safe Booklet for the children. <https://teachingmama.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/firesafetybooklet.pdf>  
 Or check out this awesome website for tons of free printable preschool fire safety activities!  
[http://homeschoolcreations.com/files/Firefighter\\_Printables\\_Preschool.pdf](http://homeschoolcreations.com/files/Firefighter_Printables_Preschool.pdf)



**Look for these Awesome Books all about Fire Fighters at the Library**

- “Molly, by Golly!: The Legend of Molly Williams, America's First Female Firefighter” By Dianne Ochiltree
- “Curious George and the Firefighters” By Margret & H.A. Rey’s
- “DK Readers: Jobs People Do -- A Day in a Life of a Firefighter (Level 1: Beginning to Read)” By Linda Hayward
- “Stop, Drop & Roll” By Margery Cuyler
- “Fire! Fire!” By Gail Gibbons
- “Fire Fighters (In My Neighborhood) By Paulette Borgeois

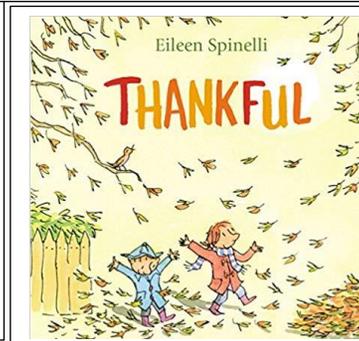
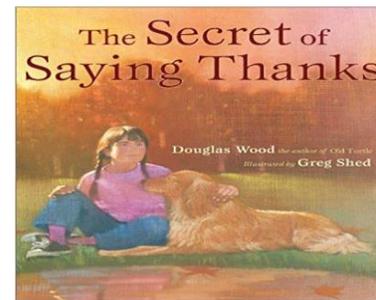


When practicing your monthly fire drills, it is important to try to replicate what a real fire in the house might feel like for the children. That may include crawling on your hands in knees through a smoke-filled room. Have the children practice crawling and explain how it is important for them to stay low as the smoke will rise to the ceiling. You and a helper could hold a large towel or sheet for each child to crawl under (or kitchen table if it is the right shape). Teach the children how to “Stop, Drop and Roll” if their clothing ever catches on fire.

**October 2018** – This is a month where many people take time to give thanks- to be thankful for family, friends or for their health. Let's instill the spirit of Thanksgiving into the little ones in care by practising kind acts and showing appreciation for others. October 7 to 13 is Fire Prevention Week- this is a great time to re-enforce fire safety in the day home as well as expressing gratitude for the firefighters in our city who do such an important job.

**Random Acts of Kindness** - Brainstorm with the children some ideas of kind acts that they can do for their family, friends and people in the community. Here are a few ideas to get you started; Pick up litter at the park – Help clean the house without being asked- Leave a thank you note for the garbage man – Take old towels to the park to dry the slides after it rains/snows- Take a treat to the Fire Station to say thank you – Write a note or draw a picture for your grandparents, that says how much you love them – Help an elderly neighbour rake their leaves.

**Turkey Hand & Foot print art – You will need:** Red, yellow, orange, brown craft paint, Paint brushes, Red, white and orange craft paper, Googly eyes, Scissors and Glue. Start by painting the child's hand with yellow paint and firmly press their hand on the white paper. Repeat with orange and red paint having them place their palm around the same spot to make the turkeys feathers. You could make the handprints on top of each other or make 3 individual prints if that is easier. Set handprints aside to dry. Next, paint each child's foot with brown paint and toes with orange paint and press their foot firmly on the paper set aside to dry. Cut around the handprints and footprints. Cut a red waddle (tear drop shape) and a yellow beak (triangle shape) and have child glue them and a googly eye to the heel side of their footprint to make the turkey face. For the last step have the children glue the handprint onto the back of the footprint.



## GRATITUDE scavenger hunt

### SOMETHING IM GRATEFUL FOR...

1. in nature
2. that makes a beautiful sound
3. that tastes good
4. that smells amazing
5. that has been hard for me
6. that I would like to share with others
7. that is older than me
8. that I recently discovered or learned
9. that shows a vibrant color
10. that has words on it
11. that makes me feel strong
12. that makes me laugh
13. that makes me cry
14. that represents my country or culture
15. that is someone I love (outside of my group)

**Why not try a Gratitude Scavenger Hunt?** This is a great way to get the children talking, moving and recognizing all the great things in the life to be thankful for! Visit this website to print off a copy or create your own list.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8RTPGYqQQU7RTVLT0wzNidRWiA/view>

**Create a Thankful Tree** – This is a great activity to have the children reflect on the things that they are grateful for in their lives. You will need; brown packing paper, colored construction paper, masking tape, markers and scissors. Begin by twisting, wrapping and bending the packing paper into a tree shape and then tape it to the wall with the masking tape. Have the children help you draw and cut out leaf patterns on the construction paper. Every day until Thanksgiving have the children write something that they are grateful for on a leaf and then tape it to the tree. Once Thanksgiving comes you will have a beautiful tree to look at and hearts full of gratitude. You could also ask day home families to bring in extra photos of family members or items their children love to be taped onto their leaves (Accreditation Standard 3.2 a)

### A BIG Thankful Tree!

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### Check out these wonderful books about Thankfulness

“Thankful”	by Eileen Spinelli
“Being Thankful”	by Mercer Meyer
“Those Shoes”	by Maribeth Boelts
“All the World”	by Liz Garton Scanlon
“Bear Says Thanks”	by Karma Wilson
“The Secret of Saying Thanks”	by Douglas Wood
“The Firefighters Thanksgiving”	by Maribeth Boelts