North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency Parent E-News August 2019





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The office will be closed on August 22/19 for staff development.

2019 Statutory Holidays Monday Monday Monday

August 5 September 2 October 14

Civic Holiday Labour Day Thanksgiving Day

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES

North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency will be holding a FREE DENTAL CHECK UP and FLORIDE TREATMENT clinic for children 12 months to 35 months of age.

Parents must accompany their child (ren). Three hygienists will be offering dental appointments that are 15 minutes in length. The sessions are casual and relaxed. Children who are uncomfortable can sit on their parent's lap.

If you're looking for a child friendly dentist the hygienist may be able to offer you referrals.

Your child/rens Alberta Health Care number is required as part of the intake information, which we can access at the office.



The Clinic will be held at the North Edmonton Family Day Home Agency office 12704 - 101 street

Register early as space is limited and fills quickly. **Tuesday September 24, 2019**

> Appointments can be booked between 4:00pm - 6:45pm

Call the office to register at 780-478-3376 to book.

If you are unable to attend as planned please notify the agency immediately so parents on the wait list can be notified of availability.

This service is available to parents/guardians and educators own children.



Reading With Your Child

Read early and read often. The early years are critical to developing a love of reading. It's never too early to begin reading to your child!

These tips will help your young child enjoy your time reading together.

Read together everyday. Name the objects or have your child name objects or have them point to the object in the picture; this builds vocabulary. Your child will enjoy it when you read with expression. Stop to let your child finish the phrase. Put the book away if your child loses interest. Be interactive by asking questions about what is happening in the story. Your child will enjoy reading the same books over and over again.

Just a reminder that Agency Fees will be increasing on September 1, 2019.

Any changes you would like to make to Please **Note** withdrawal payments need to be made with the office prior to the 20th of the month. This will ensure there is enough time for changes to be made by months end, as our banking process requires.

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Parent Advisory Committee



The Agency will be creating a Parent Advisory Committee, (PAC), that will begin meeting this fall. The committee will consist of parents and agency staff. The PAC will give parents an opportunity to provide input into workshops, programming and parent supports. The Agency will share and keep the committee up to date with our Accreditation Goals.

The Parent Advisory Committee will meet three times per year. Meeting times will depend on parent availability for either a supper or a breakfast meeting. Supper or Breakfast will be provided by the Agency.

If you are interested in sitting on the Parent Advisory Committee, please fill out the form below with your preferences for meeting times. Parent involvement is encouraged and appreciated.

Please send the form below either to the agency or give to your educator for your consultant to pick up.

Parent Advisory Committee

| I,, would be interested in sitting on the Please Print Full Name |
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| Parent Advisory Committee. My contact number is and my |
| Email address is, |
| The Committee will meet three times a year. Meetings will be approximately one hour to |
| one and a half hours in length. |
| My preference for meeting times would be: |
| I would prefer to meet on a Saturday Morning, for a Breakfast Meeting. |
| I would prefer to meet on a Weekday Evening, for a Supper Meeting. |
| Either a Weekday Supper Meeting or Saturday Breakfast Meeting would be fine to meet. |
| I could only attend if childcare was provided. |



Heritage Festival

August 3-5, 2019- the festival is a 3-day event to sample delicious food, see creative performances, and celebrate Canada's multiculturalism. <u>https://www.heritagefest.ca/</u>

Did You Know?

It is important to

avoid leaving your sunscreen in direct sunlight or storing it

in places that can

temperatures, like in

be less effective.

a hot car. Exposure to extreme heat can cause sunscreens to

reach high

Fall Training For Educators

The Agency requires that Educators attend a minimum of three in person workshops a year that have a focus on child development. Workshops are organized through the agency but Educators may also attend workshops in the community.

This fall the Agency will be offering Educators workshops that will expand their knowledge in a variety of areas.

The September Workshop will focus on Culture and Diversity. The presenter for this workshop will be *Arlysse Wuttunee*, *Promotions and Communications Coordinator*, *Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society*.

The October Workshop will be on PTSD and Immigration. The effects on children and families. The presenter for this workshop will be *Karin Linschoten MA*, *CCC-S Clinical Director Health and Wellbeing Services at the Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers.*

In November, the workshop will be presented by *Michelle Raidy, Manager of a Head Start Program.* Michelle will introduce Educators to the Alberta Early Learning and Care Curriculum, *"Flight".*



The day was hot and the popsicles were a perfect way to cool down.

Popsicles In the Park

Popsicles in the Park was a huge success. The Park day was held at one Northside and one Southside location. The day homes that attended had an opportunity to participate together in a variety of fun activities and enjoy a cool treat.







A BIG thanks to NOW Radio and MacKenzie who came out in the "Trucksicle" to our



Southside park location with popsicles!

This summer Educators were challenged to participate in Random Acts of Kindness, both within their day home and community. This is a wonderful opportunity to spread Joy. We know children are never too young to learn how to be kind and compassionate. When a child observes and participates in performing random acts of kindness they are more likely to do so on their own and continue to do so throughout their life. Many Educators have taken up the challenge and are tracking all the random acts that they are doing. Here is a random act of kindness the Agency received.

Thank You to Kate Lowther's day home for their Random Act of Kindness. Each staff member received a decorated butterfly with an inspirational word printed on it.

