

Child Development Dayhomes NEWS

THE MONTHLY PUBLICATION HIGHLIGHTING INFORMATION FOR DAYHOME EDUCATORS AND PARENTS



September 2023

Welcome New Educators!

Heather Bruno
Samantha Madland
Natalia Bednarek
Farheen Dhanakwala
Neha Kumar

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Birth Announcement

Congratulations to our dayhome educator, Najnin Habiba and her family on the birth of her daughter Amelia Jahan Sekander, born on August 18, 2023!



Upcoming Statutory Holidays

Labour Day: September 4, 2023
Thanksgiving Day: October 9, 2023
Christmas Day: December 25, 2023
Boxing Day: December 26, 2023
New Years Day: January 1, 2024



FLIGHT Curriculum Video

Learn about the FLIGHT Curriculum Framework that Child Development Dayhomes incorporates into its everyday practice [here](#).

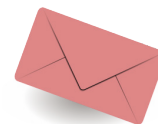
Attendance Records Due:

Tuesday, September 19 by 6:00pm

Dayhome Educators, please ensure all the times for the month have been entered on TimeSavr.

Parent Feedback Survey on CDDH Website

Let us know how we are doing.
Take the Parent Feedback Survey [here](#).



Congratulations!

To the following dayhome educators celebrating their anniversaries with Child Development Dayhomes in the month of September

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| Ligaya Ragual | 16 years | Geraldene Gran-Pait | 6 years |
| Mahira Shahab | 15 years | Deming Duran | 6 years |
| Nadia Bibi | 10 years | Christy Poetsema | 5 years |
| Uzma Tariq | 10 years | Sheila Salcedo | 5 years |
| Emilie Domingo-Alcon | 10 years | Yeamah Koroma | 4 years |
| Madelyn Corpuz | 7 years | Melyn Lopez | 4 years |
| Sandeep Kaur | 7 years | Ma Mae Lusung | 2 years |
| Asma Shahab | 7 years | Teresita Pajarit | 2 years |
| Rong (Renee) Sun | 7 years | Ashmika Nand | 2 years |
| Emma Xu | 6 years | Jhoan Dela Cruz | 1 year |



Snack Idea

Waldorf Salad

Ingredients:

- 4 Cups shredded iceberg lettuce, optional
- 2 red apples, diced
- 1 Tablespoon lemon juice
- ¼ Cup grapes, halved
- ½ Cup walnuts, chopped
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- ½ Cup Plain yogurt, optional

Directions:

If using lettuce shred and place in bowl. Set aside. Have adult dice apples. Pour lemon juice over apples so they won't turn brown. Add grapes, walnuts and celery to apples and stir together. Stir yogurt over top and mix together. Serve as is or mixed with lettuce.



Activity Idea

► Fall Colour Science: Why do Leaves Change Colour in the Fall?

Materials:

- 3 leaves (from the same tree)
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Jar
- Plastic baggie (or plastic wrap)
- Paper coffee filter
- Small bowl or pan

Steps:

1. Have your child break the leaves into tiny pieces and put in the jar
2. pour rubbing alcohol over the leaves until they are just covered
3. mash and stir the leaves into the rubbing alcohol until the alcohol turns slightly green. Really give it a good mashing – this is key.
4. cover the jar with the baggie or plastic wrap and place the jar in a small bowl and pour hot water into the bowl.
5. leave (ha!) the jar in the water for 30 minutes, swishing the jar occasionally to stir the leaves a bit. The alcohol should be a very dark green (leave longer if needed). If you can resist, wait even 45 minutes or an hour.
6. Cut a strip in the coffee filter so the strip can reach the rubbing alcohol. Place it in the jar. (We just cut a strip off the coffee filter and taped it to the edge of the jar)
7. The liquid will travel up the coffee filter and the colours will separate as the alcohol evaporates off the coffee filter. Let this happen for about an hour for the full effect. The leaves we used turn to a beautiful yellow in autumn.



Source: <https://www.howweelearn.com/science-experiments-for-kids-2/>

Community Events

► Symphony in the Square - Disney Concert A Dream is a Wish

Date: September 1-2, 2023

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Sir Winston Churchill Square

Address: 100 St NW, Edmonton

Cost: Free

Disney in Concert A Dream is a Wish will feature music from beloved Disney animated feature films, including The Little Mermaid, Aladdin, The Lion King, Beauty and the Beast, Frozen, and more!



► Alberta Culture Days

Date: September 1-30, 2023

Locations: Across Alberta

Cost: Mostly free

More [Info.](#)

Alberta Culture Days will take place September 1 to 30, 2023 and will feature hundreds of free, hands-on, interactive activities that invite the public to discover their inner artist, experience their heritage, and celebrate what it means to be Albertan. This September, the province's month-long celebration of arts, heritage, diversity and community spirit will offer more than 100 free activities across Alberta.

Alberta Day will kick off Culture Days. Alberta became a province on Sept. 1, 1905, and the government has designated Sept. 1 as Alberta Day to recognize the anniversary and celebrate the province. This year's inaugural Alberta Day will create ways and means to affirm our province's cultural, economic and historical uniqueness.



Community Events (continued)

Clean and Green RiverFest

Date: Saturday, September 23, 2023

Time: 11:00am - 2:00pm

Location: 375 St. Albert Trail, St. Albert

Cost: Free

More info: <https://stalbert.ca/events/calendar/environment/clean-and-green-riverfest/?date=1695488400>



For over 16 years, Clean and Green RiverFest has been a community event intended to increase wildlife habitat along the Sturgeon River.

Participants can help by collecting litter before it enters the river and planting native trees and shrubs. It's an opportunity for individuals, groups and families to learn how they can impact the environment in a positive way.

Bags, gloves, and a limited quantity of garbage pickers will be supplied for litter clean up. Shovels, and gloves will be supplied for tree planting. Participants will receive a free hotdog lunch and there will also be a paper shredding truck onsite for residents to utilize sponsored by St. Albert Centre.

Callingwood Fall Carnival

Date: Saturday, September 9, 2023

Time: 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: The MarketPlace at Callingwood

Address: 6655 178 St NW, Edmonton

More info: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/callingwood-fall-carnival-tickets-698443953667>



Indulge your taste buds in fall-inspired treats and delectable delights and be prepared for talented performers to roam the area. Be awed by mesmerizing magic shows, dazzled by circus performers, experience authentic and traditional Lion Dance and feel the rhythm of live music. For the kids, we have a petting zoo, bouncy castle, stilt walker and hoola hoop workshops! Join us at the Fall Carnival and experience the enchantment of this magical event. Fun and laughter await around every corner, making it the perfect outing for friends and families alike. Come one, come all, and make cherished memories that will warm your heart long after the carnival is over.



Learning Story: Fun at the Spray Park



By Josipa Matancevic Gusic, Dayhome Program Educator

We ended the week with a cheerful trip to the spray park. Currently, it is the most interesting trip for children in these summer days.



The route we take by bus is already well known and every time the children comment on what they see from the bus. They watch people getting in and out of the bus, greet them.



We brought buckets and several water toys, which turned out to be great because the children were very interested in collecting, grabbing, carrying and spilling water around. The park is interesting, the dry part and the water part are next to each other, so children can constantly change activities and have fun in various ways.



When the children felt the cold, they would take a break at the picnic blankets wrapped in towels and soak up the sun's warmth. They ate fruit and snacks there. Darian, Martin G., Evannah, Ilaria and Barbara made the most of the water pleasures, while Sophia and Martin K. preferred the dry area and only slightly touched the water at the edges of the park.

We had a really great time in the spray park. The children were very playful, happy, they enjoyed hanging out with their friends, communicating with other children around them, refreshing themselves with water, fruit snacks, loli pop. It was a wonderful summer day full of joy and happiness. When it warmed up well, we had to go home. That part is the hardest, because everyone would like to stay a little longer. But in the end, the city bus ride cheers them up even more, so we quickly get longer. But in the end, the city bus ride cheers them up even more, so we quickly get to the dayhome.

