



# Child Development Dayhomes March 2025 Newsletter

Information for Dayhome Educators and Families in High Level

## Parent 2024 Tax Receipts

All parent tax receipts have been emailed out. If you have not received yours, please contact us.



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## Upcoming Statutory Holidays

(Dayhomes and office are closed)

**Good Friday:** April 18, 2025

**Easter Monday:** April 21, 2025

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**Victoria Day:** May 19, 2025

**Canada Day:** July 1, 2025

**Civic Holiday:** August 4, 2025

**Labour Day:** September 1, 2025

**Truth and Reconciliation Day:** Sep. 30, 2025

# Happy Birthday

Kaeden (March 3) - 1 year

Paeden (March 3) - 6 years

Elsie (March 8) - 2 years

Romin (March 29) - 1 year



## **Parent Feedback Survey on CDDH Website**

Let us know how we are doing.  
Take the Parent Feedback Survey **here**.



## Attendance Records Due:

**Tuesday, March 18 by 6:00pm**

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



## Activity Ideas

### ► How to Make Oobleck (Dr. Seuss Science Activity)

This activity is suitable for all ages as it is good sensory play for younger children and an invitation for science experiments for older children learning about types of matter. Is Oobleck a liquid or a solid? Children may want to make some predictions, while the educators can pair this activity with the book “Bartholomew and the Oobleck.”

#### **Ingredients:**

(It only takes 2-3 ingredients)

- Corn Starch
- Water
- Food Coloring (optional)

#### **Instructions:**

1. In the 1 cup of water, add 8-10 drops of food coloring and mix.
2. Place corn starch into a bowl and add the green water.
3. Mix together with a spoon, it'll be hard but keep mixing. If it seems a little dry, then add a little bit more water.
4. It's like a solid and liquid at the same time and it's called A non-Newtonian fluid. Form it into a ball and watch it melt into a liquid through your fingers.

**Source:** <https://www.naturalbeachliving.com/how-to-make-oobleck/>





## Recipe Idea

Have a recipe you want to share in the next newsletter? Email [jennifer@childdev.com](mailto:jennifer@childdev.com)

### ▶ Best Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Cookies

Submitted by Crystal Durrant

#### INGREDIENTS

- o 1 large egg
- o 1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened to room temp (1 stick)
- o 1/2 cup light brown sugar, packed
- o 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- o 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- o 1 1/2 cups old-fashioned whole rolled oats (not instant or quick cook)
- o 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- o 1/2 to 1 teaspoon cinnamon, added to taste
- o 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- o pinch salt, optional and to taste
- o 1 heaping cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- o 1/2 cup raisins or nuts, optional and to taste



#### INSTRUCTIONS

To the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment (or large mixing bowl and electric mixer) combine the egg, butter, sugars, vanilla, and beat on medium-high speed until creamed and well combined, about 4 minutes.

### ▶ Lii Boulettes (Meatball Soup)

#### INGREDIENTS

- o 1 lb ground bison, moose or beef
- o 1/2 cup minced (small-diced) onion
- o 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- o 1/2 tsp salt
- o 2 tbsp water
- o Flour for dusting the meatballs
  
- o 10-14 cups water
- o 3 chopped potatoes
- o 2 chopped carrots
- o 1 chopped onion
- o 2 bay leaves
- o Salt and pepper

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Mix all ingredients in a bowl. Mix thoroughly. Mixing and kneading the meat will make the meat stick to itself and will make meatballs that don't fall apart while cooking. Divide the meat mixture into 10-14 meatballs. Dust the meatballs in flour.

Boil water and seasonings. Drop meatballs into the water and boil for 20 minutes. Add chopped veggies and boil for another 20 minutes.



Source: [Meeting My Ancestors](#)

## Flight Focus

### ▶ Learning Stories

“A Learning Story is one approach to documenting children’s dispositions to learn within daily experiences of care, play, learning and development. Learning Stories can provide families with documentation of their children’s learning. Documentation can help educators to reflect on their curriculum decisions for the design of environment as well as their interactions with children.” Page 62 - Flight.

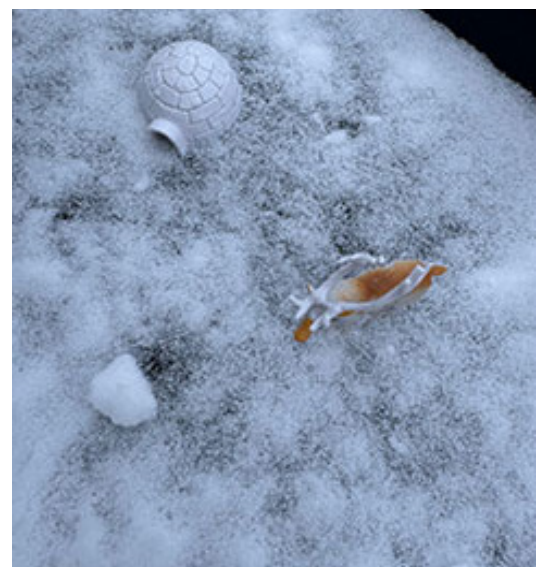


## Learning Story

### ▶ Outdoor Arctic Adventure

By Michelle Aveno, Dayhome Educator in Fort McMurray

With the warm weather, we brought our arctic animal exploration outdoors for an engaging, hands-on experience. I set up a sensory table complete with an igloo and various arctic animals for the children to explore. Together, we read a book about arctic creatures, identified and named the animals, and discussed their unique features and icy habitat. This activity encouraged language development, critical thinking, and environmental awareness while also sparking creativity and collaboration as the children imagined life in the Arctic.





Learning Story Continued...

