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## September 2017 Parent Newsletter



Wow! Those summer months went by FAST! Welcome back to routine, school and another year of possibilities and learning with your little people! Please be sure to send warmer fall sweaters and splash pants for those cooler outdoor mornings that are sure to come!

PLEASE NOTE: We are CLOSED Monday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> for the Labour Day Weekend  
We will re-open Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

Child Care Fees are due Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> to avoid late fees. Please remember child care fees increase this month – if you have not updated your contract, please contact us as soon as possible at [nd@newdimensionsfamilydayhome.com](mailto:nd@newdimensionsfamilydayhome.com).

### **IMPORTANT!**

**The number of allowable days in September is 20. If you are utilizing care on the holiday Monday, there may be an additional charge added to your account, as holiday days are not included in monthly fees invoiced. Please speak to your Provider if you plan to use care Monday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>.**

### **September Park Days - Please feel free to join us!**

Clearview Park (in the old Clearview area off of Ross Street) – Sept. 12 at 10 a.m.

Rotary Park downtown – Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

### **Exciting News!!!**

#### **Our October Conference open to Parents!**

**Saturday Oct 21<sup>st</sup>. Mini-Max!** This mini-conference is open to Providers and PARENTS! Dynamic speakers will bring you fresh new ideas and motivation! Stephanie Staples will present how to “Bring your “A” Game to Work and Life”, and Cheryl-Ann Webster presents “Hartbeat: How ART Saved My Life”. Please ask your Provider for a brochure and registration form, or email us at [nd@newdimensionsfamilydayhome.com](mailto:nd@newdimensionsfamilydayhome.com) for one! Register early to avoid disappointment!

### Parent Sharing Corner:

We did not receive any parent submissions this month, but Provider Elena set up a great fine motor project this month! She used a gardening kneeling pad from the Dollar Store, with golf tees glued into it. She then added marbles and tweezers, children can balance a marble on each tee. This can be used for fine motor practice, hand-eye coordination, colour matching and counting!



### Did you know...?

Back to school can be a very expensive time of year, especially for those already financially struggling!

Thankfully, there are several places parents can go in Red Deer if they need fee assistance with activities for their children to access healthy active play opportunities, through the City of Red Deer's Fee Assistance Program, Canadian Tire's Jumpstart Program and Red Deer Kidsport! Assistance can be applied to a variety of programs including Sportball, City-sponsored programs, some hockey programs, among others! Talk to the program of interest to see if they participate in these assistance programs:

#### [Fee Assistance Program - The City of Red Deer](#)

The Fee Assistance Program offers financial support to people who are currently facing some financial challenges and want to use City-operated recreation facilities or take part in City offered Recreation, Parks or Culture programs or activities.

For more information about the city of Red Deer's fee assistance program, go to

<http://www.reddeer.ca/recreation-and-culture/recreation/facility-admission-fees--pass-prices/fee-assistance-program/>

For more information about Canadian Tire's Jumpstart program, go to <http://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/en.html>

And for information about Red Deer Kidsport, please go to <http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/red-deer/>