



Providing a foundation for lifelong growth

June 2021 Parent Newsletter



Please ensure your child is coming to your educator's home well prepared for lots of outside time! Sunscreen, hats, a change of clothing are all essential for a successful day.

Everyone is tired – tired of Covid, on edge of continually being protective and reactive over the last year! Thanks to our wonderful and supportive clients that have adapted to our sector's changing requirements and kept everybody safe. Now that vaccines are rolling out, we can start to focus that energy in very positive ways, by reaching out to our community! We've asked educators to get creative – involve the children in some community volunteerism, weed a garden for a neighbor, shop for a senior – the list is endless! If you have a great idea for your educator, please share it – and even better, participate along with your family day home group! Be assured, whatever they do, physical distancing is practiced, and the necessary safety precautions are maintained (gloves, masks, etc.).

Please remember it is your responsibility to inform the office of changes to your contract. If you will be taking vacation days over the summer months, and wish to discuss reducing your fee, please talk to your educator first to ensure she is able to accommodate that, and then call the office to discuss your account. Adjustments can be made to accounts prior to the last week of the month, but must be initiated by the person listed on the account. Please check your signed parent/agency contract for details. Thanks!

**The number of allowable days in June is 22.
Child Care fees are due June 2 to avoid late payment fees.**

**Our virtual office hours for June are:
Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Fridays closed, phone calls will be returned by Terrie until 2:00 p.m.
After hours and weekends – for emergencies, please continue to contact Stella; phone number is in your manual.**



Our WOW Award winner is Carmen! Congratulations!

Sharing Corner: Do you have a backyard corner that you want to spruce up to invite new discovery and play opportunities for your child? Check these out! (Ideas found June 1, 2020 @ [https://www.pinterest.ca/search/pins/?q=backyard%20play&rs=typed&term_meta\[\]=backyard%7Ctyped&term_meta\[\]=play%7Ctyped](https://www.pinterest.ca/search/pins/?q=backyard%20play&rs=typed&term_meta[]=backyard%7Ctyped&term_meta[]=play%7Ctyped))



Create individual sandpits using old tires, Rubbermaid containers or small “kiddie pools”!



Build a “Wobble Board” – keep it low! 😊



Create a balance scale to weigh various objects you find while out on a walk!



Create a garden area where you can plant seeds, hang natural objects to make music, and have small stumps to sit on for some quiet time outdoors ✓



Did you Know? (Information accessed at <https://www.alberta.ca/index.aspx>, June 2, 2021, 10:43 a.m.)

If you are fully-vaccinated* and are exposed to a COVID-19 case:

- If you have no symptoms, you are not required to quarantine.
- If you do have symptoms, you must isolate for 10 days and should get tested – your isolation can end early if you test negative.

If you are partially vaccinated* and are exposed to a COVID-19 case:

- If you have no symptoms, you must quarantine for 10 days and should get tested.
 - Your quarantine can end early if you test negative on day 7 or later.

- If you test negative before day 7, you must remain in quarantine and need a second negative test on day 7 or later to end quarantine.
- If you do have symptoms, you must isolate and should get tested.
 - If you test negative before day 7, you must continue to quarantine (10 days total from exposure date).
 - If you test negative on day 7 or later and your symptoms have resolved, your quarantine can end.

**You are considered fully vaccinated 14 days after receiving both doses in a 2-dose vaccine series, or 1 dose in a 1 dose vaccine series.*

You are considered partially vaccinated 14 days after receiving the first dose in a 2-dose vaccine series. Anyone can book their vaccination, or get accurate information about vaccinations by dialing 811, or going to <https://www.alberta.ca/index.aspx>.