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The Prince George and Area Child Care Resource & Referral Newsletter
January/February 2012

Serving the Communities of:

Prince George, McBride,
Valemount, Vanderhoof, Ft.
St James, Fraser Lake, Fort
Fraser, Burns Lake, McLeod
Lake, Mackenzie & Fort Ware.

Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8:30am – 4:30pm

**Mondays Late Openings
till 7:00pm**

Saturday, January 21

Saturday, February 11

9:00 – 1:00 pm

***Highland Resource**

Library Hours:

Every Wednesday

11:00 am – 2:00pm

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Provides information, support,
resources and referral services to child
care providers and families in the Prince
George and surrounding area or region.

Happy New Year!

2012 is going to be a year full of exciting training opportunities. We hope to get everyone out for some learning and networking. We are very excited to be bringing Michelle Tannock to Prince George on February 18th. Rough and Tumble Play and Utilizing Outdoor Play Experiences to Support a Positive Community of Children are the workshops she will be presenting. Michelle has been at the ECEBC conference and other conferences around the country. Another opportunity will be the Stewards of Children: Little Warriors program which will be offered twice in February in the CCRR Family Room. Our regular winter offering of both Good Beginnings and the Responsible Adult course will be starting in January. Take note that the Every Child Belongs Conference is going to be held in March rather than April this year.

We will be shifting our Interactive Play to the 2nd Friday of the month, starting in February 2012. This is to avoid conflicting with other events that happen in that first week of some months. Also in February our Saturday opening will be February 11th, 2012. Remember that January 27, 2012 is Family Literacy Day – share stories with children around you. Have a great winter.

Your CCRR Team.

Gail Mason – Coordinator

Cindy MacLachlan – Family Consultant

Heidi Wyss – Child Care Consultant/Outreach

Lisa Binns – Child Care Consultant/Outreach

Georgeana Melnychuk – Resource Consultant

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Welcome to a new year – 2012!

****Special Information****

Beginning in February Interactive Play will be on the 2nd Friday of the Month.

CCRR Public Use Computer

Families and child care providers may use the Public computer for child care related business.

CCRR Membership is open to the entire

Community.....child care providers, parents, grandparents, community groups, agencies and schools.

Membership is based on a small yearly fee. Ask us about a CCRR Membership today!

CCRR /OUTREACH/COURSE SCHEDULES/INTERACTIVE PLAY/WORKSHOPS

OUTREACH CORNER: Child Care Consultant: Heidi Wyss heidi.wyss@pgymca.com

Ph:1-800-680-6699 Child Care Consultant: Lisa Binns lisa.binns@pgymca.com

CCRR is committed to providing services to the communities we serve Vanderhoof, Fort St.James, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser, Burns Lake, Mackenzie, McBride, Valemount, Kwadacha and surrounding areas. Please call or email if we can assist you.

COURSES/TRAINING/WORKSHOPS

Good Beginnings Course – Introduction to Family Child Care Course.

Where: CCRR Office Family Room

When : January 16th – February 27, 2012 Monday and Wednesday
Saturday, February 11, 2012 9:00am – 1:00pm

Time : 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Cost : \$250.00

Responsible Adult Course – Begin a career in childcare.

Where: CCRR Office Family Room

When : January 23 – February 15, 2012 Monday and Wednesday
Saturday, February 11, 2012 9:00am – 1:00pm

Time : 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Cost : \$150.00

Michelle Tannock – Rough and Tumble Play/Utilizing Outdoor Play to Support a Positive Community of Children.

Where : Native Friendship Centre

When : Saturday, February 18th

Time : 8:30 – 3:00 (lunch provided)

Cost : Members \$30.00 Non-members: \$40.00

January 6, 2012 Interactive Play at Highland Family Development Center

Time: 10:00am – 11:00am

Special Guest: Judi Dowson from Doggone Safe Inc. Teaches how to read dog body language.

February 10, 2012 – Interactive Play

Pre-registration is acceptable by phone or walk in. Full-payment must be received in advance of the course start date to confirm registration. We accept payment in cash, credit card or business cheque. Refunds will only be considered for those participants who give 72 hours notice of cancellation. CCRR Office is located at the YMCA 2020 Massey Drive. Phone: 250-563-2483. Workshops that have no fee attached still require participants to register by calling the office.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS/EVENTS/TRAINING/MEETINGS

FIRST AID TRAINING DATES

St. John Ambulance – Emergency Child Care First Aid

January 14, 2012 @ 8:30am – 5:30pm

February 11, 2012 @ 8:30am – 5:30pm

Contact: 250-561-1696 Cost: \$99.68

Lifesavers First Aid Training – Emergency Child Care First Aid

January 14, 2012 @ 8:30am – 4:30pm

February 11, 2012 @ 8:30am – 4:30pm

Contact: 250-562-1238 Cost: \$85.00



Prince George Child Care Association Meeting January 12, 2012 Time: 7:00pm at Maria Morrow's 5908 Riverdale Crescent Ph:250-562-0771 or 250-564-5185 Guest speaker from CCRR.

ECEBC CALEDONIA BRANCH NO MEETINGS FOR JAN/FEB. FURTHER DETAILS ON CALEDONIA BRANCH WEBSITE:
<http://ecebccaledoniabranch.weebly.com>

Little Warriors Workshop Stewards of Children Program. Learn how to help prevent, recognize and react responsibly to sexual abuse. For more information Phone: 1.888.440.1343 Register online at:
<http://littlewarriors.ca>

Every Child Belongs Conference on **Saturday, March 10th**, 2012. Watch for Registration Package later this month

Early Years Conference 2012: The Development of Children's Mental Health: How Do We Become Who we Are? **February 2 – February 4th**, 2012. Hyatt Hotel, Vancouver. Download a conference brochure or register on line now. www.interprofessional.ubc.ca/EarlyYears

ECEBC's 41st Annual Conference: Playing it Forward: Discovering the Wonder and Value of Authentic Play. **May 3rd to May 5th**, 2012. Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport. Online registration starts mid-February 2012. Visit the ECEBC website for pre-registration information. <http://www.ecebc.ca/events/index.html>

The Champions in Childcare Awards and Recognition Gala has been CANCELLED for 2012, due to a very low number of volunteers. The 7th Annual Childcare Gala will be held Saturday, May 25, 2013 at the Hart Community Centre. Anyone interested in volunteering in 2013 my contact Maxine Hoffman Van Dyken at 250-962-2997.

Workshop in Partnerships in Communication on **February 4, 2012 and February 18, 2012** Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm at the Native Friendship Center. To register call ASCD Phone: 250-564-3568 ext: 234

Preschooler Health Day Circuit – (2 to 4 yr. olds) on **January 21, 2012** Time: 10am – 1:00pm at the Child Development Center.

RESOURCE LENDING LIBRARY



Music Maker TY036 Barcode: 0533



Hear Your Heart Story Sack R029 Barcode: 0427

On Wednesday's you are welcome to visit me at Highland Family Development Centre between 11:00am to 2:00 pm. We house our large toys and equipment there.

Visit us online at www.crr.bc.ca or Email: georgeana.melnichuk@pgymca.com or phone 563-2483 or 1-800-680-6699

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES/SUBSTITUTES/ODDS & ENDS

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Prince George Native Friendship Centre: Requires a **Part-time Program Assistant** for the Circle of Friendship After-School Care children's Program (20 hrs/wk. Monday to Friday from 1:30 to 5:30pm). To apply please submit a resume, cover letter and three references to: Employment Services Unit Prince George Native Friendship Center #21-1600 Third Avenue, Prince George, BC V2L 3G6 FAX: 563-5627 Email: employment@pgnfc.com Applications will be accepted until noon on Wed, January 11, 2012. No telephone inquiries please.

SUBSTITUTE CARE PROVIDERS

Dianne Rose: (Responsible Adult) Phone: 250-564-8499

If you know of anyone who might be interested in becoming a substitute please have them contact us for further information. Remember it is the provider's responsibility as a licensed facility to have copies of relevant documents on file. Contact: cindy.maclachland@pgymca.com or Phone CCRR: 250-563-2483.

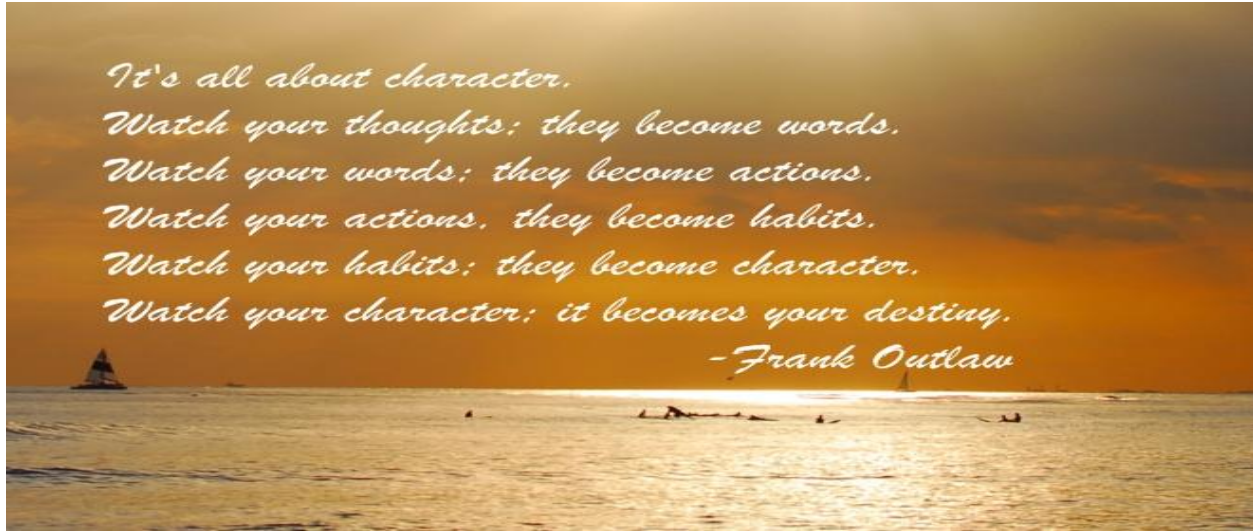
Effective January 1, 2012, sections of the Child Care Licensing Regulation that govern the Early Childhood Educator Registry were amended. The changes relate to both first time applications for and renewals of the ECE 5 Year License to Practice, Special Needs License to Practice, Infant Toddler License to Practice and the ECE Assistant License to Practice. The changes pertain to the: 500 hours of work experience letters; renewal requirements for expired licenses to practice; and good character requirement for special needs and infant toddler ECE License to practice. Due to these changes, new initial application forms, as well as, renewal application forms have been developed and are now available on the ECE Registry Web site at: <http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/chilcare/ece/apply.htm> and <http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/childcare/ece/renew.htm>

Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Early Childhood Education - Nominations extended until January 23, 2012. <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/pmaece-ppmepe.nsf/eng/wy00408.html>

ECEBC Leadership Initiative 2012/13 – <http://www.ecebc.ca/index.html>

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS available at the CCRR Office. Orders are due January/February 20th, 2012.

REFERRALS: PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO UPDATE YOUR CHILDCARE SPACES.



January 2012							
Week#	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	1 New Year's Day	2 Closed	3	4	5	6 Interactive Play	7
2	8	9 Open till 7:00pm	10	11 Highland Lending Library 11am – 2pm	12	13	14
3	15	16 Open till 7:00pm Good Beginnings starts	17	18 Highland Lending Library 11am – 2pm	19	20	21 Saturday Opening 9:00 – 1:00
4	22	23 Open till 7:00pm Responsible Adult starts	24	25 Highland Lending Library 11am – 2pm	26	27	28
5	29	30 Open till 7:00pm	31				



The one thing we can never get enough of is love. And the one thing we can never give enough of is love.

-- Henry Miller

February 2012

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5				1 Highland Lending Library 11am – 2pm	2	3	4
6	5	6 Open till 7:00pm	7	8 Highland 11am- 2pm	9	10 Interactive Play	11 Open 9:00am – 1:00pm
7	12	13 Open till 7:00pm	14 Valentine's Day	15 Highland 11am- 2pm	16	17	18 Michelle Tannock
8	19	20 Open till 7:00pm	21	22 Highland 11am- 2pm	23	24	25
9	26	27 Open till 7:00pm	28	29 Highland 11am- 2pm			