

HALTON HILLS CHILD CARE CENTRE Spring Newsletter 2023



- * The first day of spring is March 20th.
- * Ramadan begins on March 22nd.
- * April 1st is April Fools Day.
- * Passover begins on April 5th.
- * The Centre will be closed on Friday, **April 7th** for Good Friday.
- * Happy Easter on April 9th.
- * Pajama Party on April 11th.
- * May 4th is Star Wars Day.
- * Happy Mother's Day on May 14th.
- * The Centre will be closed on Monday, **May 22nd** for Victoria Day.
- * We will be having a Donald Duck Day on June 9th.
- * Happy Father's Day on June 18th.

We would like to remind all our families that we have children in the Centre with Anaphylactic allergies. We take Anaphylactic allergies very seriously.



These allergies are life threatening. Some of the allergies we have in the Centre are not limited to tree nuts and include peanuts, dairy, egg, banana, avocado, shellfish, apples, tomatoes, kiwi, honeydew melons.

No outside foods and/or drinks are allowed to be brought into the Centre.

It is extremely important that your child NOT have food products on their hands, face, and clothing before attending daycare. There are wipes on the entrance table if you need to give your child (or yourself) a quick clean to ensure no allergens are being brought into the Centre.

Message from Grace

This year we are celebrating 37 years of quality child care in our community and we are still going strong.

We could not achieved this longevity without the hard work, caring, enthusiasm, and dedication of our staff. We all work together to create fun, engaging environments for the children.

I would like to thank everyone for the passion they bring to work everyday.

Wow, spring weather is just around the corner. For now, please continue to bring your child's winter outerwear.

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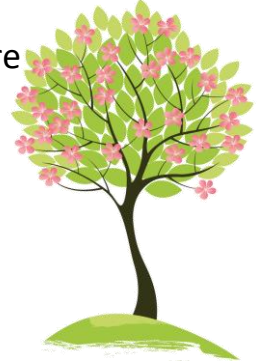
Once the weather becomes warmer, your child will need:

- ◆ spring jacket
- ◆ light mittens
- ◆ rain boots
- ◆ splash pants
- ◆ warm hat (for the morning)
- ◆ sun hat (for the afternoon)

If your child's group is outside or going out soon after your arrival, please make sure your child is dressed for the weather and ready to go outside.

Please do not bring backpacks or bags, as the cubbies are full, and leave your child's toys at home to prevent being lost or broken.

When the UV Index reaches 5 or above, we will be asking parents to bring a new bottle of sunscreen.



- ◆ 2 pants
- ◆ 2 underwear
- ◆ 2 tops
- ◆ 2 pairs of socks
- ◆ indoor shoes with a non-slip sole
- ◆ diapers & wipes (if needed)

If your child is toilet training, please bring extra shoes and more spare clothes.

Classroom staff will send messages on HiMama whenever your child needs more items such as spare clothes, diapers, wipes, etc.



Please label all of your child's belongings.

For sleep/rest time, please bring a blanket. If your child wishes to bring a cuddly toy, it must be one we can keep at the Centre all week.

We will sent the blanket and toy home for laundering at the end of the week.



We realize that the need for rest and sleep varies greatly, even among children the same age. However, rest is an important part of the day for all children. Quiet activities will be provided for children who do not sleep.

Illness



We are still seeing an increase of illness among the children and our staff. Anytime you have questions regarding illness or symptoms, send a message on HiMama. We will address your concerns and help navigate for your child's return.

Please help us to provide a safe and healthy environment by informing us when anyone in your household becomes unwell.

Spring is fast approaching and our Toddler-Red classro is very excited! We cannot wait for the warmer spring weather to be here.

Soon, we will start talking about flowers, birds, and bugs. We will be planning special celebrations throughout the spring. Watch for our calendars which are posted on the Centre's website (www.hhchildcare.ca).

We would like to welcome to our new families to our classroom.

Toddler-Red Team



We would like to welcome Marci and our new friends to the Toddler-Yellow classroom.

We will be working on self-help skills such as dressing, holding a cup, fork & spoon. We are also working on taking off our shoes and putting them on. We would like to kindly ask for your support with your child's self-help skills.

We are looking forward to the warmer weather. We will be watching and exploring the outdoors for the first signs of Spring.

Toddler-Yellow Team



Alana - 1 year

Marci - 1 year

Sara - 1 year

Bri - 4 years

Annie - 2 years

Kim 5 - years

**thank
you!**

We are so fortunate to have these amazing people in our Centre. They are tremendous assets to their teams and the Centre.



The Toddler-Blue room is feeling very excited for spring! With the warming weather and hopefully the end of snow.

The children and teacher will be watching as the seasons change from winter to spring. We have lots of fun and exciting activities planned for the spring.

We would like to welcome Maria to the Toddler-Blue team. We also welcome our new friends and families starting with us.

Toddler-Blue Team

We Can Help

We see the children as competent, capable, curious and rich in potential; each with unique personalities and individual needs. However sometimes, everyone needs a little help along the way. Through services provided by Halton Region and other community partners, parents can access numerous resources for help and guidance.



Tracey, our resource consultant from Halton Region, is available for conversations/meetings.

We strongly believe each child deserves all the support they need to become independent, self-confident, and inquisitive learners.

We are very excited for spring. We would like welcome all our new friends and families to our classroom, and our new teacher Ms. Gurvinder .The children are learning to be more independent by getting dress and taking their shoes off and on, we are very proud of their progress. We would like to thank parents for there support to help their child reach their goal. Thank you

Preschool-Purple Team

If you have any special occasions your family celebrates, please let us know so we can add to our curriculum.

Let's Celebrate!



If you arrive after 6:15 pm, there is a late fee of \$5.00 per minute per child.

Please have a back-up plan.

Make sure you contact the Centre to let us know of your late arrival or if someone else is picking up.



Alternate pick-up people must have photo ID.

Spring is in the Air!! Hopefully, we can all say goodbye to winter - snow and ice. The preschoolers have been engaged in exploring and participating in lots of activities based on strengthening their fine motor skill development especially tracing and cutting.

We have been excited during our group and circle times, learning and recognizing letters and their sounds.

It has been fun taking part in Centre wide event and being included in all the exciting days on our classroom calendar.

We are looking forward to discovering all the sights and sounds of spring!

Preschool-Orange Team

Here in the Preschool-Green classroom, we have learned a lot this past season! We have had lots of fun in the snow and are excited for spring.

The Preschool-Green room has introduced Annie to our classroom. She has brought many new ideas and been a great addition to our team.

We have learned about many holidays such as Valentine's Day, Holi & St. Patrick's Day. Our class has learned about colours, shapes and traditions associated with each holiday thus far.

There are many continuous goals we are working on in preparation for kindergarten. The children are encouraged to work on their letter recognition. Whether that be through practicing our letter of the week, singing alphabet songs or writing our names on our daily craft activities.

In addition, we encourage the children to get dressed themselves, play co-operatively, and self-regulate/articulate their feelings into word. These are important skills we improve on weekly to help out kindergarten readiness.

Overall, we continue to strive to create an engaging, inclusive, and fun environment!

Preschool-Green Team

Through your support of our Big Box of Cards fundraiser, we were able to purchase a new dramatic kitchen for our Preschool-Green classroom.

