

# HALTON HILLS CHILD CARE CENTRE

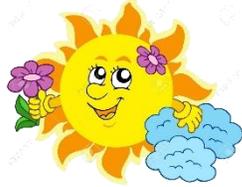
## SPRING NEWSLETTER 2022



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

Once the weather turns warmer, your child will need:

- ◆ Spring jacket
- ◆ Splash pants
- ◆ Light mittens
- ◆ Rain boots
- ◆ Warm hat (for the morning)
- ◆ Sun hat (for the afternoon)



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

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

WOW! COVID-19 has been incredibly challenging for everyone. We will do our best to keep you up-to-date on changes from the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health as they occur.

On the bright side, SPRING is here! We are looking forward to sunny days and warmer weather.

Parenting can be difficult at times. We have access to numerous resources and our staff are very knowledgeable and resourceful. If there is anything you need assistance with, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's teachers. We are here to help and work together.

Grace Iacchetta, Director

### Drop Off & Pick Up

We strongly encourage masks be worn inside of the Centre for the health and safety of all children, families and our staff.

Beginning the week of April 11th, parents are welcome to pick up in their child in their classroom. Please make sure to close the classroom door when entering and leaving. Do not leave your child unattended in the classroom, hallway or your car.

There is hand sanitizer by the front door so parents can clean their hands. The children will wash their hands in their classrooms.

Please remember no outside food or drinks are allowed into the Centre due to potential life-threatening anaphylactic allergies. Make sure your child does not have any food on their hands or faces prior to entering the Centre.

You are welcome to continue to use our present procedure for just drop or just pick up, or both with our screeners.



## Illness and COVID-19

We will continue to adhere the Ministry of Education/Health guidelines as it pertains to COVID-19. Please use the link below to screening your child prior to arriving at the Centre.

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>

While COVID-19 still poses a risk of illness, is not the only reason your child may become ill. It is extremely important that children do not attend daycare when they are ill. This reduces the chance of spreading illness in their classrooms.

If your child becomes unwell while at the Centre, we will contact you for pick-up. We would like to advise parents to consult with their family doctor for guidance in regard to illness. If your child is prescribed medication, your child may return once he/she has taken the medication for one full day and is feeling better.

The Centre must follow the requirements and protocols on illness set out by the Halton Region Public Health and the Centre's Illness Policy.

Our objective is to provide a safe and healthy environment for all the children, families, and staff.

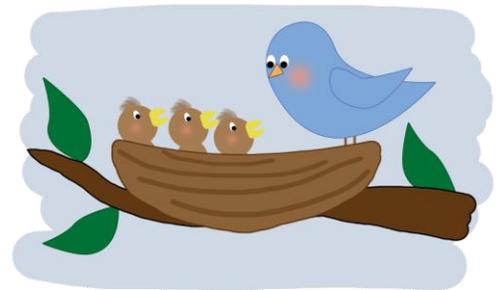


**No Outside Foods or Drinks**

The Toddler-Red welcomes Marci to our team. She brings many years of experience with her.

We are happy to be welcoming spring. There are going to be so many new and exciting opportunities for learning. So stay tuned... and check out our April calendar.

Marci & Michele  
Toddler-Red Team



Welcome all our new friends in Toddler Yellow classroom. After long and cold Winter months we are looking forward to enjoying nice Spring weather and have lots of fun outside at our beautiful playground. . We will explore outdoor and indoor sensory activities like water play, sand play, bubbles, gardening (planting Spring flowers and veggies).

Bri & Maggie  
Toddler-Yellow Team



Our Big Box Cards was a great success, raising \$2,332.00. **WOW!**

We would like to thank everyone for their support!



Funds raised with be used for new playground equipment.



- **The first day of Spring is March 20<sup>th</sup>.**
- **April 1<sup>st</sup> is April Fools' Day.**
- **The Centre will be closed on April 15<sup>th</sup> for Good Friday.**
- **Happy Easter on April 17<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>.**
- **Happy Mother's Day on May 8<sup>th</sup>.**
- **The Centre will be closed on May 23<sup>rd</sup> for Victoria Day.**
- **Happy Father's Day on June 19<sup>th</sup>.**



We would like to welcome spring and can't wait to enjoy the weather. We would like to welcome Bess (our new teacher) and our new friends and families to the preschool room.

The children were learning about different shapes and are interested in fire trucks at the moment.

We are still working on the children's independence skills such as putting on their snow pants and their shoes.

We have lots of exciting and fun activities for the spring.

Bess, Kamella & Louise  
Preschool Team

We are so excited for springtime in T-Blue! This spring we will be doing a lot of science experiments, fun crafts, growing different items from seeds and talking about the earth and how we can do our part to take care of the planet! We cannot wait to start exploring our neighbourhood while looking out for signs of spring. We ask that you also look out for signs of spring while you and your children are out in your neighbourhood. Please send us pictures so we may post them on our spring wall!

We will also be working on our self-regulation skills as well as encouraging the children to become more independent by dressing themselves, cleaning up after play and using their utensils while eating.

Ally and Annie  
Toddler-Blue Team

### Staff Spring Milestones – Years of Service

**Bri – 3 years**

**Kim – 4 years**

**Laurie – 16 years**

**Vanessa – 4 years**



Classroom activities are posted on our Facebook Page. Have a peek to see what's happening around the Centre.

Spring has sprung early in the Kindergarten & School Age Classroom!

We have completely transformed our dramatic centre into a beautiful, lush garden with bumblebees, flowers, and more! We have learned a few things about the life cycle of a butterfly and mixing colours to make our own flowers.

For St. Patrick's Day, we have used loose ended materials to create leprechaun traps, four leaf clover marble painting, and there is so much more.

The warmer weather is fast approaching, and we are planning to plant our own flowers, learn and watch them grow, raise our own butterflies, sensory exploration and so many other fun and exciting things to come.

Ashlynn & Laurie

Kindergarten & School Age Team



We would like to welcome Claudia to the Senior Preschool team.

Spring is in the air and the Seniors are super excited for the warmer weather ahead!

In the upcoming weeks, we will be discussing spring and keeping our eyes open for new plant growth, bugs, and animals.

Currently, we are learning about airplanes and have transformed our dramatic centre into a wonderful plane that makes multiple trips to many beach destinations daily. So, grab your passport and take to the skies with Senior Airlines!

Claudia, Nicole & Vanessa

Senior Preschool Team



If you arrive after 6:15 p.m. to pick up your child, there is a late fee of \$5.00 per minute per child.

Please have a back-up plan so you can avoid late fee charges.

Make sure you contact the Centre to let us know of your late arrival or if someone else is picking up your child. Alternate pick-up people must have photo ID.

**Wishing everyone a wonderful,  
safe & healthy spring!**

