



## Halton Hills Child Care Centre

### Fall Newsletter 2023



The Fall is full of changes; the leaves, the weather, children changing classrooms, saying goodbye to children who are off to Kindergarten, and welcoming new children and their families to the Centre.

We are looking forward to an exciting autumn with many special days and celebrations throughout the season. If you have any special occasions your family celebrates, please let us know. Check out your child's classroom calendar on our website ([www.hhchildcare.ca](http://www.hhchildcare.ca)) to find out what's happening each month.

I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know, we (the educators and myself) are open to your feedback and suggestions. Please feel free to approach us in person or via HiMama messaging.

**Enjoy the fall! Grace**

- 🌰 Happy Rosh Hashanah on September 15.
- 🌰 Hello fall on September 23.
- 🌰 Happy Yom Kippur on September 25.
- 🌰 Every Child Matters/**ORANGE** Shirt Day is September 29.
- 🌰 Happy Thanksgiving on Monday, October 9. The Centre will be **closed**.
- 🌰 Bring a smile for Picture Day on October 12.
- 🌰 Baby Shark Dance party is on October 17.
- 🌰 The Centre will be **closed** on Friday, October 20 for Halton's Professional Learning Symposium.
- 🌰 Halloween Party & Dance-a-thon on October 31.
- 🌰 Change your clocks on November 5.
- 🌰 Remembrance Day is November 11.
- 🌰 Happy Diwali on November 12.
- 🌰 Mickey Mouse Day will be on November 17.
- 🌰 The Centre Annual Toy Drive for Halton Women's Place will be from December 1 to 14.
- 🌰 Happy Hanukkah beginning December 7 to 15.
- 🌰 Winter/Christmas Sweater Day is December 15.
- 🌰 We will be saying hello to winter on December 21.

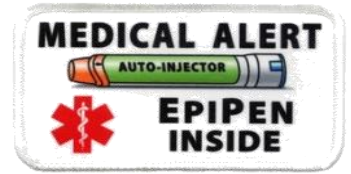


Let's avoid accidents in the parking lot. Please hold your child's hand. Drivers may not see your little one dashing across the parking lot.



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

We often think of anaphylactic allergies being related to nuts or peanuts. However, these are not the only allergies we have in the Centre. We also have children with severe allergies to dairy, eggs, bananas, avocado, and shellfish. **This allergies can be life threatening.**



Please take a couple of minutes prior to drop of to ensure your does not have any food products on their hands, face, and clothing. There are wipes on table in the entrance if anyone needs a quick clean.

**We would like to introduce our new teachers, Bri & Kennedy.**

**As the warmer weather is leaving and fall is coming, we are ready to explore and learn about the leaves changing with the children.**

**We are excited to start this new journey with your children.**

**from the Toddler-Red Team**



**Welcome to Toddler-Yellow!**

**We say hello to a few new friends and we say see you soon to a few that are moving to preschool.**

**We have some fun and exciting activities planned for the upcoming month.**

**Please check our calendar on the Centre's website for our upcoming days.**

**With the cooler temperatures, please make sure your child has a warm jacket and splash pants for those damp days.**

**from the Toddler-Yellow Team**



**HAPPY WORK ANNIVERSARY**

Karen - 1 year  
Kennedy - 1 year  
Susie - 1 year  
Liz S - 2 years  
Kamella - 4 years  
Louise - 9 years  
Liz W - 36 years



**In Toddler-Blue we are really looking forward to the upcoming fall! We cannot wait to celebrate the special days that come along with it. Such as orange shirt day, picture day, baby shark day and many more! As fall approaches, we are looking forward to going on community walks to see all the things that come with the changing of the seasons, like the leaves and the cooler weather. We are beyond excited to see what this season has in store for our class!**

**from the Toddler-Blue Team**

In the fall, weather is often difficult to predict as to what outerwear your child will need.

We suggest you bring:

- ◆ sweater or jacket
- ◆ splash pants
- ◆ sunhat
- ◆ light mittens



Once the weather becomes colder, your child will need:

- ◆ winter coat
- ◆ 2 pairs of mittens
- ◆ winter boots
- ◆ snow pants
- ◆ warm hat
- ◆ neck warmer (no scarves)

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 leave backpacks or bags, as the cubbies are full.*

*Please leave your child's toys at home to prevent being lost or broken.*



- ◆ 2 pants
- ◆ 2 underwear
- ◆ 2 tops
- ◆ If your child is toilet training, please bring extra shoes and more spare clothes.
- ◆ Please check your child's spare clothes to ensure he/she has seasonal appropriate clothing.
- ◆ 2 pairs of socks
- ◆ indoor shoes with a non-slip sole
- ◆ diapers & wipes (if needed)

Classroom staff will send messages on HiMama whenever your child needs more items such as spare clothes, diapers, wipes, cream, 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 blankets and sleep toys home for laundering at the end of the week. Please take home all of your child's belongings from the cubbies 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

It is extremely important that children do not attend daycare when they are ill in order to stop the spread of illness in the classrooms. A mild illness in one person may become something more serious in any person.

If your child becomes unwell while at the Centre, we will contact you for pick-up. We highly recommend parents to seek medical assistance for guidance in regard to illness.

If your child starts a prescribed antibiotic, he/she may return to daycare after taking the medication for at least 1 full day, and your child is feeling better.

We are happy to help you navigate what course to take when your child is ill.

Please continue to screen all household members for COVID-19 prior to attending child care

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

**We can not believe September is already here. We would like to say good-bye to all of the children moving up to the Preschool Green classroom, and WELCOME to all of the new children and their families.**

**We look forward to getting to know everyone.**

**This month will be filled with lots of fun activities including water play, painting and play dough fun!**

**from the Preschool-Purple Team**

## Arriving Late

If you arrive after 6:15 pm 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 will be picking up your child. Please make sure alternate pick-up people have photo ID.



**A new season is upon us, welcome Fall! We are looking forward to experiencing all that this wonderful season brings. The children will be going on a walk, collecting leaves for one of our crafts. We will be painting and using the leaves as a paintbrush to create wonderful works of art.**

**During our learning circle, we will read books about the Thanksgiving season and talk about what we are grateful for.**

**from the Preschool-Green Team**



**It's been an exciting time in the Preschool-Orange classroom over the past few weeks. We have been so happy welcoming everyone, and helping to make our new friends comfortable and happy. We have been working on following the classroom routines and doing our share to help our friends play safe in the classroom. We hope you really like the changes we have made to our classroom. We have been enjoying watering our plants, and exploring our new fancy easel. We are ready for exciting adventures and to explore the new season FALL. Here's to a fun-filled and happy year in the Preschool-Orange classroom.**

**from the Preschool-Orange Team**

Just a reminder, when dropping off or picking up, please do not park your car along the fire route in front of the Centre or use the handicap parking unless you have permit to do so.



