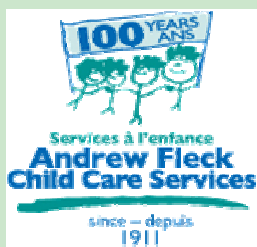


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Andrew Fleck Home Child Care Provider Newsletter

"Caring for children is what we do best!"



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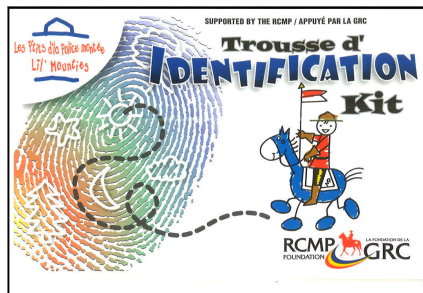
Provider Training
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Workshop details can be
found on our website



Fall

Children's Identification Kit



Your Consultant will be delivering some of the above identification kits for you and to parents. Once completed keep the kit in a safe and easily accessible location. These kits have been generously donated to Home Child Care. They must be completed by parents and are not intended for use for children in your care. Please distribute these kits to parents for completion. You are welcome to use them for your own children.

Toy Lending Library

If you would like to book a personal visit after office hours, on a Saturday, or have any questions about the toy library please call Kat Wilson at 613-736-1913 ext. 254. You can also send an email to kwilson@afchildcare.on.ca

Just a reminder, toys can be loaned out for a two month period. If you currently have overdue toys please clean and return them to your Consultant as soon as possible.

If you plan to attend an evening workshop at Industrial and would like to visit the toy library before it begins, Kat can be available to meet with you as long as you contact her ahead of time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kat Wilson.

Farewell to Sandy

Congratulations to Sandy Lafave, as she pursues a new and exciting career as an Information Councilor with Child Care Information!

She will be greatly missed by many providers and children with whom she has worked as a Consultant over the past 6 years. We all wish Sandy the very best of luck on her newest adventure!



Just a reminder...

Labor Day Holiday

September 5 is a statutory holidays. You are not required to provide care on this day, but if parents are working and you are interested in providing care, please notify your Consultant.

Invoices

Please note on your Attendance Invoice which day a kindergarten child starts school and when this child is in your care full days.

Nipissing Developmental Kit Activity Corner










“The Nipissing District Developmental Screen™ (NDDS) is a checklist that rates the skills that a child should be able to achieve, by a specific age.”

At this time of year, some children are returning to school, and some are entering home child care for the first time. Here are some activities you can adapt for children of various ages.

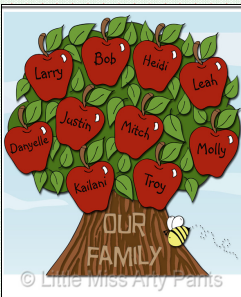
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Things to do...when children are any age.

-  **Emotional** -smile and give praise for a job well done
-  **Self Help Skills** -encourage children to put on their shoes
-  **Fine Muscle** -have art and sensory materials easily accessible and ready to use
-  **Learning/Thinking** -hide objects around the home for child to find
-  **Speech/Language** -have a basket of books accessible at all times
-  **Social** -allow free time for children to chat amongst themselves
-  **Large Muscle** -offer plenty of outdoor play

Leaves Are Falling Down

“Leaves are falling down....whoosh,
Leaves are falling down.
Softly softly, softly softly (wiggle fingers gently up and down)
Leaves are falling down!”



Shake Shake the Apple Tree 'Felt Story'

“Shake shake the apple tree,
apples red and rosy...
Shake shake the apple tree,
apples red and rosy!
One for you, one for me...
shake the apple tree!”

Cut out shapes and place on a bulletin board. Each child gets a chance to ‘shake’ the apple tree, and which ever name falls off the board first, that child will get the next turn.

Make a Handprint Tree!

How to make it:

- ✓ attach a tree trunk to your bulletin board which has been cut out of construction paper or brown craft paper
- ✓ children trace their hands onto construction paper, and cut them out using safety scissors
- ✓ children then write their names on their handprints. (You might have them decorate further with markers or crayons).
- ✓ decorated handprints can be attached to the tree trunk as leaves. Some can even be added to the "ground" to show leaves falling in autumn!

For Added Fun: ‘paint’ a tree trunk onto mural paper, or use a twig found in the backyard, then glue the leaves on.



Equipment Reminders

Now is a good time to give your equipment a little TLC before the weather starts changing!

- ✓ wipe down highchairs (remember to clean the straps, under the tray and under the padding)
- ✓ wipe down strollers (remember to remove items from the pockets and disinfect the cup holders)
- ✓ disinfect plastic pressure gates (give them a dip in the bathtub and let them soak in water with 1/2cup of bleach to remove food particles and stains.)

Day Nurseries Act

{L13.1.39-44}

Nutrition

(b) Ensure that nutritious ‘in-between meal’ snacks, consist of foods that will promote good dental health, scheduled at times that will not interfere with a child's appetite at regular meal times.

Source: Adapted from Ontario Child Care Licensing Private Home Day Care Manual

Visit this website for a menu planning resources at:

<http://www.eatrightontario.ca/en/MenuPlannerResources.aspx>

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To Register

Register for ALL workshops,

 “Chat Nights” and First Aid

 Training with Kim at

 613-736-1913 ext. 243

or email krogers@afchildcare.on.ca

Please remember we are a Peanut and Scent Free Environment

Please remember:

- ✿ If you are registered for a workshop and can't attend, call and cancel in advance.
- ✿ Register for yourself so that we are able to inform you of details and information relating to the workshop.

Visit our website to read the online version of the newsletter at:

www.afchildcare.on.ca/resourcespublicj-e.html



All New!! The Quality Times (Online) now has ‘hyperlinks’!

“A hyperlink is a connection between one page of an online document to another, they appear blue on the page, and are sometimes underlined.”

When you hover the mouse over them, the cursor may change to a hand symbol, then by clicking on the hyperlink, you will automatically be re-directed to important documents or other websites!

If you are reading this online: move your mouse over the link below, then click the computer mouse to access the website!

<http://www.afchildcare.on.ca/form/PDF/conf/PremProg.pdf>

First Aid Training

Date: Monday September 21 and 28, 2011

Time: 7:00pm -10:00pm

Location: 700 Industrial (Boardroom)

Back Care-Lifts Twists and Reaches (What You Should Know)

Presented by Pauline Borris. This important workshop has been developed by a licensed physiotherapist and ergonomic consultant. You will learn strategies on how to properly lift equipment and children in order to prevent back pain and injury.

Date: Monday October 3 2011

Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Location: 700 Industrial Ave. (Boardroom)

Space will be limited to 20. Register with Kim as soon as possible!

‘Transportation’ Make & Take

Presented by Julie Cloutier (OEYC Educator)

Planes, trains and automobiles! Join other AFCCS providers for this fun workshop and add to your own collection of program resources.

Date: Wednesday October 5, 2011

Time: 6:30pm –8:30pm

Location: 2330 Don Reid Drive (Cornerstone)

“Chat Night” in the Kitchen

Using the I Care for Kids, I Care for Quality home study manual, get together with Cindy Chouinard and other providers for a fun evening sharing stories and discussing child care issues. This evening the discussion will be returning to the ICKICQ binder for the next Chat starting at Unit 1.

Date: Monday September Sept. 26, 2011 (last Monday of each month)

Time: 7:00pm-8:30pm

Location: 700 Industrial Ave. (Kitchen)

“Chat Night” at Maha’s (Orleans)

Date: Thursday Sept 29, 2011 (last Thursday of each month)

Time: 7:00pm-8:30pm

Location: Maha’s address is provided when you register with Kim.

‘Celebrate~Inspire~Imagine’

Thursday November 3 ~ Saturday November 5

Program and registration information is available on the

Andrew Fleck Child Care Services website at: <https://notes.htgsports.com/HTGM.nsf/0/66AD3ED941C3C61C8525788700585041?OpenDocument>