Dear Parents,

Whoa, July sure flew by! Highlights from the month of July included lots of water play to stay cool, trips around the neighborhood and to Hubbards Recreation Centre and Bayswater beach for the school agers. We have taken advantage of the beautiful beaches with lots of swimming.

Looking ahead to August Briana and Stephanie are spearheading the parade planning this year for the Hubbards Parade on **SATURDAY**, **AUGUST 10TH.** We need lots of the Day Care children to join us, or drive their bike or come in a stroller. Our theme is a Pot of Gold under the Rainbow We ask children to dress in rainbow colors. Parents are welcome to join us too.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH is our Annual Duck Derby. We will be launching the ducks at 2:00 p.m. down the brook alongside Mill Cove Beach on the Mill Cove Shore Road. So make sure you have your ducks sold and money returned to us by Wednesday, the 7th as you could have the best swimmers and be richer for it. Our goal is to sell over 650 duckies this year! We can do it.!!!

Did you know? There are different ratios of educators to children in each room. 1:4 is infant; 1 to 6 is toddler;1 to 8 is Junior preschool; 1 to 15 is Senior Preschool; 1 to 15 is school age. These ratios change during sleep time and ratios are kept for awake children only. There also has to be ample staff in the building to cover ratio in case of an emergency, but they can be on their lunch breaks. Any questions, feel free to ask.

Don't forget to LIKE our Facebook page "Through the Years Day Care & Community Centre" and follow the updates, reminders and pictures of our exciting program.

Until next time, Mary Ellen