

JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents:

Well we have to be honest, we are happy to say farewell to May. This third wave of the pandemic has thrown us some curve balls for sure. We certainly adapted very quickly to new and tightened protocols and this was due to the fact that we have a solid Covid Site Plan for the Prevention of Covid 19 at TTYDC&CC and have had since last June when we reopened. When numbers went back up it was easy to go back to tighter measures like mask wearing, having greeters at the door to assist with drop off and pick up, and reducing capacity. As the strong “community” we are here at Through the Years, families that can keep their children home are doing so to allow those families that NEED child care to have it. We do not know what June will bring for Public Health directives, but our fervent hope is that once numbers go down, and other restrictions lift, we will be able to return to our 100% capacity. We promise to keep you updated as we are given directions. Feel free to reach out to us at anytime to discuss your needs, we are here for you.

We are excited to have an extra long summer with our school age children and are looking forward to some summer-fun outings and theme days. The option of bringing your child for “after school time” ends on June 28, and after that only full days are available.

A reminder for school age families with us all summer it’s important parents take a moment to review the four week menu (the week’s are posted on the accompanying calendar) with your child(ren) and if there is a lunch you know they will not eat, you are responsible to bring a nutritious alternative-one that is low in fat, sugar, sodium and peanut free. We are not allowed to offer alternatives, and if your child refuses to eat what we serve, they get very hungry, and then very cranky as you can imagine. Also please remember we do not serve breakfast and that children need to come to day care with a full, nutritious breakfast in their bellies, or bring it in to day care to eat. (again it must be nutritious and peanut-free). Our 4 week rotational menu is on our website: www.throughtheyears.ca or we can put a paper copy in your mail slot or email it to you.

We remind parents to ensure their child has each day a hat, sandals, beach towel and bathing suit along with their other essential items. And please **LABEL, LABEL, LABEL!** Remember we prefer items stay at day care now and only soiled clothing and masks go home each night, except for Friday when bags are sent home for restocking.

Until next time, *Mary Ellen*