

RAZZLE DAZZLE & KIDS KONNECTION



June 2023



What's Happening:



*Agency Offices
CLOSED*

*Friday, June 30th
In Lieu of Canada Day*

Regular business hours resume July 3rd

Teddy Bear Tea

Wednesday, June 7th

Blackfalds Community Centre

9:30-11:00 am

*Join us for this fun intergenerational event,
bringing seniors and children together.*

Refreshments and snack provided.



Please RSVP by June 2nd at 403-885-2755

Mission Statement: Provide quality childcare with an in-home, play based learning environment for every individual child. Recognizing each child is unique and he/she has different abilities, which enable every child to attain independence at their own rate of development.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY

Dads are most ordinary men turned by love into heroes, adventurers, story-tellers, and singers of song

Sunday, June 18th



What is National Indigenous Peoples Day?

June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. This is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. The Canadian Constitution recognizes these three groups as Aboriginal peoples.



PROGRAMMING

Outdoor Potions Science Activity

You will need:

Dish soap	Baking Soda	Syringes
White vinegar	Water	
Shaving cream	Measuring Cups	
Squeeze bottles	Plastic jars with lids	

There's no rhyme or reason for how much of each substance to have. Just make sure to have a bit of everything, scoops, bottles, containers, etc. The kids need room to play. Add some vinegar to the squirt bottles (along with some food dye for coloring) and put the rest of the materials in little bowls for kids to scoop out what they need. You can also provide lots of additional empty containers, so the kids have room to build their potions and experiment.

The goal is to allow the kids to work freely and create as they wish. They will develop story lines. They will explore the process of experiments. They will come up with ratios.

The goal here is to give the kids materials and let them decide what to do. They can add it to jars, bowls, use spoons, scoop, shake, squirt... THIS IS ABOUT THE KIDS. They will be learning about science, trial and error, measuring and enjoy open exploration.



PARENT CORNER

Tips to keep your children busy when school is out for summer



1. Create a daily routine. Take the first couple days to adjust to school being out but then create a daily rhythm. Involve your kids in creating this routine to see what types of things they want to do.
2. Use screens wisely. Create a specific time of day where screen time is appropriate.
3. Rotate the toys. If your toy room is full, pack up half the toys and switch them out once a week or so. Kids do better when you offer 1-2 types of toys at a time. When there is a room full of toys, they easily get overwhelmed and end up playing with nothing.
4. Require outside time. Sticks, dirt and trees are usually enough to keep kids occupied. But you can always add chalk, bubbles, a jump rope and a basic ball to the mix if you are in an area without those things. 30 minutes per day of outside time should be a minimum.
5. Break out the board games and card games.
6. Set aside time for reading everyday. If reading aloud isn't a natural part of your day, you could use audio books during this time. Trips to the library are always a good idea to add to your reading weekly.
7. Help your kids come up with project ideas. For example, make playdoh in several colors, use recycled materials for art projects, construct a fort or teepee outside, to be used multiple days in a row.
8. Create an art centre. Include white paper, colored paper, pencil crayons, markers, watercolors, glue sticks, stickers, google eyes, foam shapes, popsicle sticks, etc.
9. Get your kids involved in meal planning, meal prepping and baking. They are more likely to try new things when they helped prepare them.

TAKE THE TIME TO ENJOY EVERYDAY

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