

RAZZLE DAZZLE & KIDS KONNECTION



May 2023



What's Happening:

Agency Offices
Will be Closed
On Monday, May 22nd
For Victoria Day.
We hope you have a great May Long
Weekend.



Sunday, May 14th

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.

EDUCATOR APPRECIATION

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH

National Provider Appreciation Day is on the Friday before Mother's Day, May 12 this year. Childcare workers are celebrated on this day, including teachers, nannies, and caregivers, all of who are essential workers in helping working parents continue to provide for their families. The day focuses on building awareness of the holiday, thanking childcare workers, and showcasing their contributions to their communities. From a simple thank you and gifts to social media posts and hashtags, this holiday is deserving of our attention.

How to observe educator appreciation day:

- Say thank you with a homemade card.
- Buy them a personal gift.
- Create a treat box filled with their favorite things.



PROGRAMMING

Scissor Skills

Cutting with scissors is a tricky skill that requires so many skills like overall fine motor strength, hand-eye coordination, bilateral coordination, visual-motor integration, and hand dominance. Just like any other skill, scissor skills will take time to develop and master. Cut Various Types of **Lines**! Set up a cutting tray or basket with strips that have different types of lines on them. Children can cut on the line and use their other hand to guide the paper as they cut. Some strips are harder than others.

Scissors make cutting fun and help build endurance. Our goal is to make their hands super strong to build endurance and cut for longer periods without their hand getting tired.

Cut **Shapes**! Cutting shapes is hard! Children have to move both hands and turn their wrists as they cut along a line that changes direction. Sometimes children accidentally cut through the shape or cut a piece off. Use tape to piece it back together.



PARENT CORNER

Attention: Effective July 1, 2023

Because of provincial government affordability grant agreements there will be no change in childcare fees for those families who meet affordability grant criteria. Please note the changes below in red, to fees that are not part of the affordability grant agreement.

If you have questions, please contact your agency office directly.

PARENT CHILD CARE FEES (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023)

Regular Child Care (4+ days per month)

\$41.20/day

- Monday to Friday
- 5-9.75 hours of care per day
- hours of care between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- half day rate (less than 5 hours)

\$27.81/half day

Extended hours

\$46.35/day

- contracted 10+ hours per day

Shift Care

\$46.35/day

- contracted before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. or weekends
- all care on weekends will be billed at full day rate

Casual Care – Infant, Preschool and School Age

\$47.74/day

- 3 days or less (0-less than 50 hours)
- All casual care will be billed at full day rate

Casual care (0 to less than 50 hours per month) is the only increase in parent child care fees for 2023 as casual care is NOT part of the Affordability Grant Agreement.

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