

Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre

Summer Newsletter

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TPDCC Summer Highlights Upcoming Events



JUNE 15 FATHER'S DAY 
JUNE 27 PRESCHOOL GRADUATION

JUNE 27 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

JULY 1ST CANADA DAY (CENTRE CLOSED)

AUGUST 4
CIVIC DAY (CENTRE CLOSED)

AUGUST 22
TPDCC BBQ



Pin these important reminders



Sunscreen should be applied to your child before attending the daycare/schoolage program



Water bottles need to be taken home daily to be washed. each day.



Ensure all contacts are up to date as well as emergency numbers



Children should be in good health to attend. If your child is ill please keep them home.



Please complete a daily health check with your teacher when dropping your child off.



Late fee is 2 dollars per child



Please do not use the back entrance to enter or exit the daycare from the rec centre, as this poses a safety risk for children and staff.



Parents are required to provide 2 weeks notice of their child's withdrawal from the program. Without sufficient notice you will forfeit your security deposit.

Infant to preschool 0-4yrs /School Age Program -6yrs- 12yrs /
Programs include; Monthly enrichment activities. Resource Consultants- guidance and support for
Early Childhood Educators and families. Parenting workshops and training.

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DONNA ROBERTSON: Executive Director

At Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre, we are proud to offer a warm and welcoming program for all families. Everyone is included—no one is left out. We support children with different abilities and special needs, families of all types, and people from all cultures and languages. Our inclusive approach ensures every child feels valued, respected, and safe, allowing them to learn and grow in a bias free environment. Join us for our AGM where we'll celebrate our shared values, reflect on the year's accomplishments, and look ahead to our continued commitment to inclusion and excellence. See page 13 for more info.



With the warm weather upon us, it's the perfect time to enjoy the great outdoors. We encourage you to make the most of the season—plan a picnic at a new park, try cherry picking, or spend a relaxing day at the beach, the options are endless.

As you embrace the spirit of summer, don't forget to stay safe!

For helpful summer safety tips, see page 14

Thank all the parents and families who joined us at this year's **Mayfair event!** Your presence helped make the day extra special. Events like these are a great reminder of the strong, supportive community we share--thank you for being a part of it!

SHARON SIMMONS: Daycare Supervisor



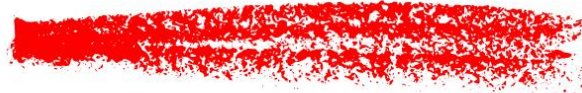
What are Inclusive Support Educators?

Inclusive support educators (ISE) create an inclusive and supportive environment where every child, regardless of their abilities, can learn and grow. They work closely with children who require additional support to meet their individual needs. This includes adapting activities, providing one-on-one assistance, and collaborating with classroom staff and families to support each child's development. As stated in our parent manual, we are committed to working in partnership with families to foster each child's growth in a respectful, inclusive, and responsive environment.





Preschool Graduation



TPDCC Preschool graduation ceremony for children moving to kindergarten will be held **on Friday, June 27th**, starting at 6:00 PM at the Jenner Jean-Maria Community Centre Gymnasium, located on the ground floor near the library. This milestone marks a significant moment in your child's early learning journey, celebrating their growth, accomplishments, and readiness for the exciting world of kindergarten

We truly hope you can join us in honouring this special occasion. If you haven't already, please ~~confirm~~ your attendance and stay tuned for more details via Lillio and email.

Let's celebrate this important step forward-together!

Click on this link for kindergarten info: [Kindergarten Registration](#)





To all the amazing dads, father figures, grandfathers, uncles, —we celebrate you! Your love, strength, and presence leave a lasting impression on your children. Join us for a yummy treat on Monday 16th

Wishing you a joyful and relaxing Father's Day—you deserve it!



"የአባቶች ቀን ደስ ይበላችሁ!"
(Ye-abatoch qen des yibelachu!)

روز پدر مبارک
(Rooz-e Pedar Mobarak)

"فادرز ڈے مبارک ہو"
(Father's Day Mubarak Ho)





Over the past few months, our preschool rooms have been immersed in a world of exploration and discovery! From planting seeds, parent engagements, and Mother’s Day events, every moment has been filled with learning and joy.

We also celebrated Multicultural Day, where children embraced diversity through music, traditional outfits, and stories from around the world. The excitement of hands-on science experiments in the preschool room, such as exploring “floating objects,” has sparked curiosity and wonder, encouraging children to explore, and discover the joy of learning through play.

These experiences support children’s development in meaningful ways—fostering curiosity, promoting social skills, encouraging creativity, and building strong connections with family and community.

Here at TCPDCC, we believe that every moment is an opportunity to learn—and our preschoolers are certainly proving that true!

Summer Highlights

Sports & Movement Days

Parent Engagement Events

Outdoor Exploration





Teacher Terminology:

Fine motor skills: is the coordination of small muscles in movement with eyes, hands and fingers.

Gross motor skills: ability to stand up, walk, run, balance etc.

Cognitive skills: brain-based skills that add in reading, learning, remembering, paying attention.



Summer has brought new adventures and learning opportunities to our vibrant Toddler Room! Our little ones have been joyfully engaged in small group activities, exploring everything from sensory play to early literacy adventures. They've delved into sensory bins and even had their first taste of gardening with seed planting!

In the last few months, together, they collaborated with their children to design a lovely shirt, incorporating favorite colors, meaningful symbols, and creative touches.

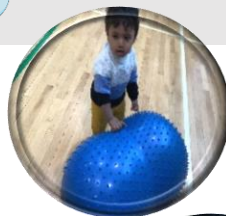
We look forward to the July and June months which will include cause and effect sensory bins, water play, and creative art to keep these little hands busy and minds engaged. Outdoor adventures, including fun walks, bubble play, jungle play and more fine/gross motor activities. If you would like to participate in anyway your more than welcome.



Whats' bubbling in the Infant room

The infant room have been showing growing awareness by recognizing their teachers' faces and the familiar faces of their classroom friends. It's been a joy to see their social connections beginning to blossom as they begin to form these bonds, we've noticed more interaction between each other, whether it's sharing a toy (or at least reaching for the same one!) or simply observing one another during play. These early connections lay the foundation for communication, empathy, and social confidence later on.

Our activities have focused on sensory exploration—whether through textures, sounds, or messy play, the children have been fully engaged and curious in their learning experiences.



3Soft Banana & Avocado Mash

Great for babies just starting solids—creamy, easy to digest, and full of good fats!

Ingredients:

- ½ ripe banana
- ¼ ripe avocado

Instructions:

- Mash the banana and avocado together until smooth.
- Serve fresh. No cooking required!
- **Bonus:** This is an excellent recipe to encourage self-feeding with pre-loaded spoons.



SCHOOL READINESS KINDERGARDEN TRANSITION

School readiness includes the areas of social emotional, cognitive, language and literacy, and physical development. Another important part of school readiness includes a child's ability to maintain focus on a task and show interest and curiosity in learning. Below are 6 important readiness cues that children should show.

01.

Fine motor skills: Finger and hand skills such as writing, cutting, opening lunch boxes etc.

02.

Gross motor Skills: can use the core strength muscles of the arms, legs, such as running, skipping, jumping and ball skills.

03.

Social Skills: can engage in reciprocal interaction with others (either verbally or non-verbally) to compromise with others, and be able to follow social norms

04.

Self care skills: such as dressing and toileting independently.

05.

Receptive/expressive language: understand and use language through speech, sign and alternative forms of communication

06.

Emotional Development/regulation: your child should perceive emotions, integrate emotion to facilitate thought, understand emotions and to regulate emotions



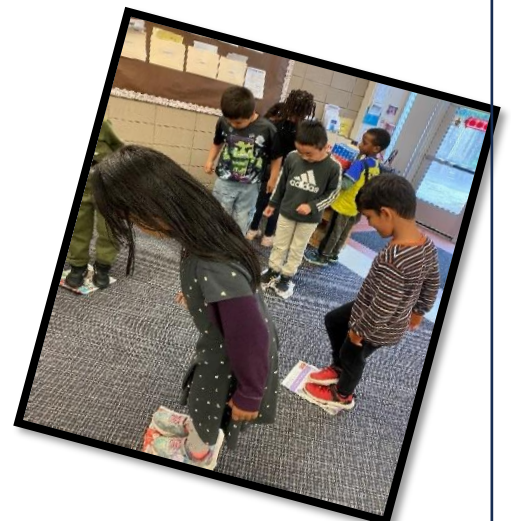
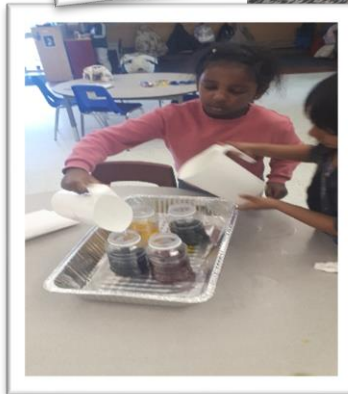


Schoolage Update

TRUDY WATTS: Schoolage Supervisor

Throughout spring into summer, our children have been actively engaged in science activities, including planting projects that fostered their curiosity and love for nature. They also participated in cooperative games designed to enhance teamwork and quick-thinking skills. In celebration of Mother's Day, we cherished special moments with our wonderful moms. Thank you to all who joined us in making this day memorable for our children!

With several new children joining us at the end of June, you'll also notice some new staff members who have recently come on board. With the addition of these staff, there will be some changes to the children's class groupings and teacher assignments. As we prepare for July and August, we invite all parents to consider volunteering their time to assist with classroom activities. Your involvement will enrich our program and create lasting memories for the children. Please contact us if you're interested in contributing.





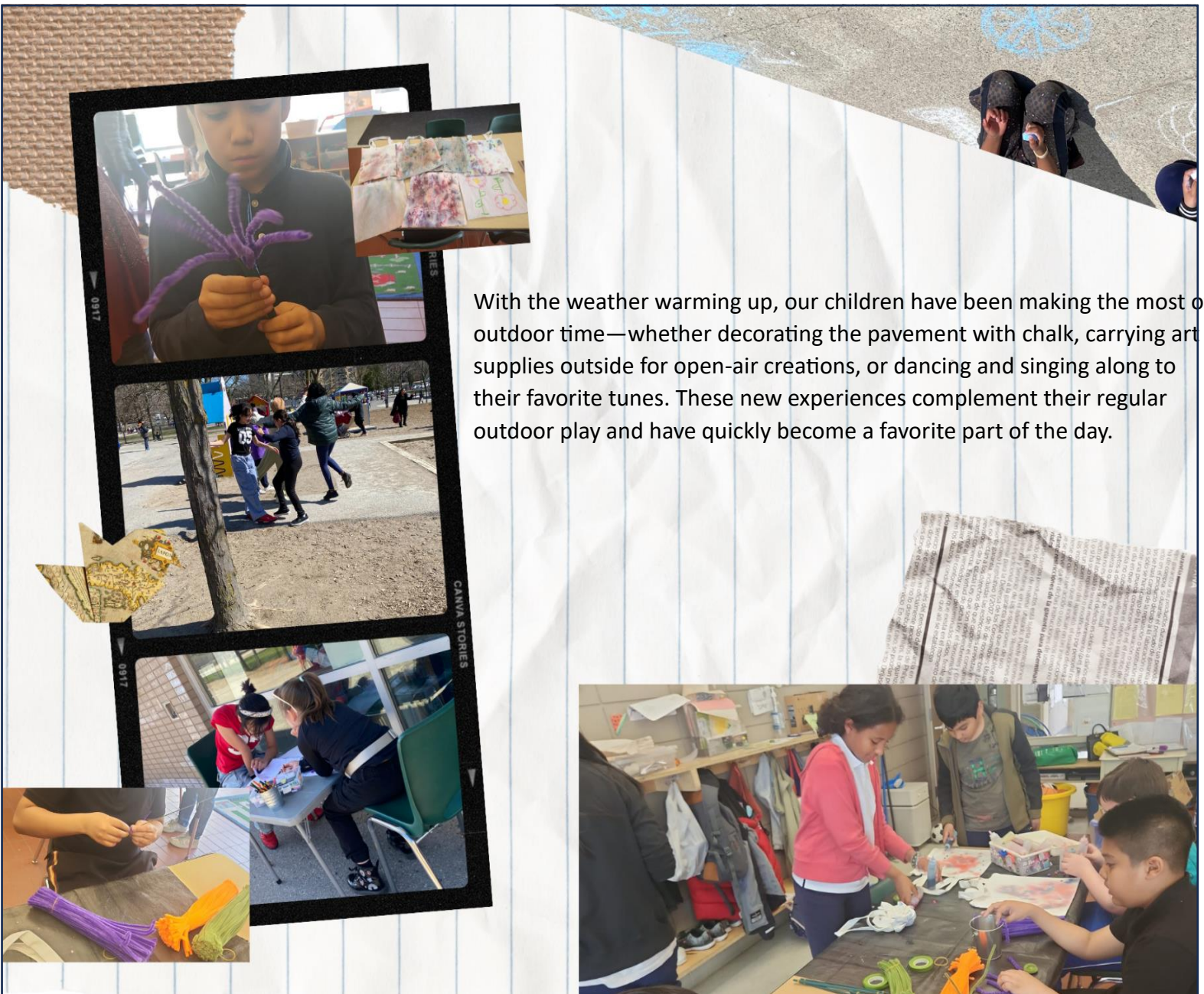
The arrival of summer has brought about a good feeling in the air. This season, our school-age room has been buzzing with creativity and exploration. From exciting science experiments to hands-on building projects, our children have been busy building 3D representations of buildings and diving into small group baking activities. Using simple yet delicious ingredients like yogurt and strawberries, they crafted delightful parfaits that satisfied both their culinary curiosity and taste buds.



In addition to these enriching activities, we celebrated the love and care of parents with heartfelt Mother's and Father's Day celebrations. As we eagerly look forward to the sunny days of summer ahead, our school-age children are excited to continue their journey of discovery and learning in our nurturing environment. Stay tuned for more adventures and smiles from our schoolage Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre!

"Look at the earrings I made"





With the weather warming up, our children have been making the most of outdoor time—whether decorating the pavement with chalk, carrying art supplies outside for open-air creations, or dancing and singing along to their favorite tunes. These new experiences complement their regular outdoor play and have quickly become a favorite part of the day.

On Easter, we turned our playground into a festive hunt: two teams—“Hiders” and “Finders”—scoured the yard for colorful eggs hidden in nooks and crannies. Families also enjoyed sweet treats at pickup, making the celebration extra special for everyone.

As we head into the summer months, the excitement continues to grow! We’re planning water play stations, scavenger hunts, costume days, garden projects, where the children can plant seeds and watch them grow. Sunny afternoons will be filled with sprinklers, bubble-making, and interactive story telling’s under the shade, ensuring plenty of fun and learning all summer long.





Three, Two, One...the countdown to summer is officially on! Our school-age children are eagerly looking forward to a season filled with creativity, exploration, and fun.

We've been listening to their ideas, and our summer program is shaping up to be a fulfilled experience. Below are some of the summer highlight activities:

Scrapbooking Sessions – A chance for the children to capture and celebrate their summer memories through creativity and art.

Kidz in the Kitchen Club – Budding chefs will enjoy fun, hands-on cooking experiences where they'll learn simple recipes and kitchen safety.

STEM Club – We'll dive into science, technology, engineering, and math with cool experiments and engaging projects designed to spark curiosity.

Sports Day – A high-energy day filled with games, teamwork, and friendly competition that encourages active play and school spirit.

Water Days – On hot days, we'll cool down with splash-filled fun! Water games and activities are always a summer favorite.



Family Resources

Download
TODAY



Your gateway to real-time updates on your child's day at Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre!

With Lillio, you can effortlessly track your little one's activities, from nap times to meals and exciting learning moments. Stay informed and connected wherever you are.

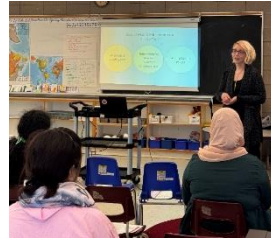
To get started, simply download the Lillio app from the App Store or Google Play, and follow the easy setup instructions provided.

Your voice matters-TPDCC AGM

We invite all families to join us for our **Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 17th** @ 6:00pm at Jenner Jean Maria Community Centre. Your voice matters—let's shape Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre together. Scan the QR code for more info we look forward to seeing you there



Family Resources



Our *Talking About Bodies, Boundaries & Safety* parent workshop in April was a great success. Stay tuned to hear of upcoming workshops

Thank you!



At Thorncliffe Park Day Care Centre, we believe that strong families build strong communities. That's why we offer free, engaging workshops designed to empower parents like you with practical tools, expert advice, and meaningful support. Whether you're navigating toddler tantrums, building routines, or supporting your child's development, our workshops provide a welcoming space to learn, share, and grow—together.

Stay tuned for our next workshop—your seat is waiting!

Toilet Training: Toilet training is an important milestone in your child's development. It's a process that involves patience, encouragement. With support and encouragement, your child will gain the confidence and skills they need to succeed!

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/ages-stages/toddler/toilet-training/Pages/Praise-and-Reward-Your-Childs-Success.aspx>

<https://raisingchildren.net.au/preschoolers/health-daily-care/toileting/toilet-training-guide>



Visit us:
thorncliffepatdaycarecentre.ca



Family Resources

Health Access Thorncliffe Park

(HATP) A Health and wellness service that connects people to other resources. **Free 9-5**
45 Overlea Blvd, Unit B7

Child care Subsidies

www.edu.gov.on.ca/c

Children want to make the most out of their summer days. Your responsibility is to keep them comfortable and protected, with the right kind of children's wear for summer. Click on the following link to read how to keep your child comfortable this summer. **Tip:** Go for breathable fabric and try not to over layer. For more info click the link below.

<https://www.uniqlo.com/in/en/news/topics/2021051101/>

Summer Safety Tips



- Stay Hydrated**
Drink 8 or more glasses of water per day to stay healthy & hydrated
- Know the Side Effects of Medications**
Some medications have side effects such as drowsiness or sun sensitivity
- Stay Cool**
Stay in the A/C, indoors, go swimming, etc.
- Wear Light, Loose Fitting Clothing**
Wear breathable clothing and light colors that reflect the sun
- Have Emergency Contacts**
Have a list of people to call in case of emergency
- Know the Weather Forecast**
Plan your days accordingly depending on the weather

Summer Safety Tips

www.myassuredhomenursing.com



- Stay Hydrated**
- Stay Indoors**
- Apply sunscreen when outdoors**
- Stay Cool**
- Check forecast**

10 Summer Heat Safety Tips for Older Adults



- Keep bugs at bay**
- Know the early signs of heat illness**
- Have an emergency contact list**
- Dress Properly**
- Identify side-effects of medicines**

Mackenzie House: <https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/history-art-culture/museums/mackenzie-house/>

Market Gallery: <https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/history-art-culture/museums/market-gallery/>

Spadina Museum: <https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/history-art-culture/museums/spadina-museum/>



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