



The Canadian Learning Trust
KEEP ON LEARNING

Hello Fellow Learners –

The Canadian Learning Trust (CLT) is a lifelong learning community that encourages all kinds of learning by all ages of learners. Our dream is of a prosperous Canada enriched with learning – a Learning Canada.

*This June 2022 **eFlash** recognizes and celebrates learning success.*

Applause Please! The importance of early learning is entrenched in the second target of the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) Sustainable Development Goals. These Goals, according to the UNICEF website at www.unicef.org, “seek to ensure that, by 2030, all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education. Pre-primary education is now considered an essential tool for achieving Universal Primary Education and the SDGs. One of the key elements is ‘learning through play’, or ‘playful learning’, which is central to quality early childhood pedagogy and education.” We’re so pleased to present a few of the playful learning happening across Canada.

If ever there was an eFlash that needed pictures, it is this one! Here are a few of the smiling kids, several with moms, dads and caregivers, having a wonder-ful time learning. The variety of learning is amazing – jingle dancing, gymnastics, Ukrainian dancing and sports - way too much to name all but the most noteworthy learning for young learners happening across Canada.



In the libraries in Victoria, BC and Toronto, ON there are "Baby Time" Programs where babies up to 18 months, begin their love of reading and learning. **Baby Time Story Time** is for babies 18 months & under who, with their caregiver, are introduced to sounds and actions at staff-led story time with bouncing and tickling rhymes, songs and stories.

Les Explorateurs Montessori Inc in Quebec, QC offers Montessori daycare / Preschool and kindergarten programs for kids from 18 months to 6 years old. According to their website “Montessori pedagogy, the approach by nature, is the basis of educational benevolence and the ecosystem approach in a global & integrated service process.” montessori-qc.net/Ecole

The **Pirurvik Preschool** in Pond Inlet, Nunavut, provides Early Childhood Education (ECE) that is child centered and based on the Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ) principles and is enriched through the use of Montessori materials. Their goal is “to provide a culturally relevant learning experience guided by the IQ principal Pilimmaksarniq which allows children to learn at their own pace. The emphasis of learning in the hands of each child by trusting them to know what they need.

<https://www.pirurvikpreschool.com>.

Tiny Tot Turtle Pow Wow is offered by the Aboriginal Dance School in Winnipeg. It lets children ages 3 – 5 to learn the fundamentals of Pow Wow as well as ballet steps through creativity and play. These Tiny Tots will experience dance, fitness and discover new coordination. For more, see:

www.aboriginalschoolofdance.com.

YMCA Canada is so well known for starting young learners to swim. According to their website, “children between 6 months and 5 years old, **YMCA Preschool Swim Lessons** will introduce your baby, toddler, or preschooler to the basics of swimming.” Who wouldn’t love to be a Splasher, Bubbler, Bobber, Floater, Gliders, Diver, Surfer, and Jumper as the child moves through the stages of learning to swim? For more detail, see www.ymca.ca/ymca-preschool-swim-lessons

A Shout Out to our amazing partners in learning: *Night Vision Music Academy* at <https://nightvisionmusic>.

The winner of the summer music course is Kathy W. from rural Alberta! She is sending one of her 11 grandsons on an awesome summer camp learning all about DJing and producing music. Thanks for your being the winning bid in the High Noon Auction. Watch for more on-line auction in the Fall.

Any other great learning wins that are happening in Canada so that CLT can celebrate? If so, please let me know.

Just for fun – what does the acronym UNICEF stand for? Answer in the next eFlash.

We are doing a membership drive to bring in individuals and corporations that will stand up and be counted as a Learning Champion. If you would like more information, or would like to join us, please contact info@canlearntrust.org.

FOR FUN The answer for the May eFlash was: 89 CALPS

Put together from all of us at the CLT!



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