

Sarnia-Lambton Fall 2019

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Learning for Parents



Linking Families with Services



Play with Parents and Caregivers



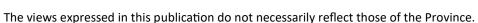




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PLEASE NOTE: <u>All</u> sites will be closed on Friday, September 13th for Staff Professional Learning

EarlyON Child and Family Centres

The Ministry of Education funds the County of Lambton to oversee the delivery of EarlyON Centres. During 2019, the County of Lambton is working with existing service providers to continue the delivery of services throughout Lambton County and identifying areas where change is necessary to build the capacity of the system.

EarlyON Child and Family Centres offer free, drop-in programs for children up to six years old and their parents/caregivers. EarlyON Centres are places to engage and connect with others in the community and feel a sense of belonging.

What does this mean for families?

□ You will be welcomed by Registered Early Childhood Educators who can provide support, advice, and helpful resources.

□ Community partners meet with families in their community, offering advice, support, assessments and therapies.

□ Educators will continue to work with families and the community, to provide services that support the growth and development of young children and families.

□ EarlyON Centres are places where parents and caregivers can start making connections and build relationships that are essential to realizing a child's full potential. Where they can learn, grow and connect.

□ Children can learn, play, laugh, be curious, make friends and engage with others. Where they can build their sense of belonging and capacity for expression, enhance their own well-being and explore and engage with the world around them.

Thank you for your patience during our move to an electronic sign in system. The universal key fob code can be used at any of the EarlyON sites in Sarnia-Lambton. Please bring your fob each time you attend.



Sarnia & Area

Lambton College **EarlyON Centre** North Building 1457 London Road Sarnia, ON N7S 6K4 p. 519-542-6100 f. 519-541-2423 Drop In Hours Mon. 9 am - 3 pm Tues. 1 - 3:00 pm & 5 - 7:30 pm Wed. 9 am - 12 pm & 1-3 pm Thurs. 9 am - 3 pm Fri. 9 am - 12 pm Sat 9 am - 1 pm (Closed the Saturday of statutory holidays)

Coronation Park EarlyON Centre

1014 Oak Avenue Sarnia, ON N7S 3T7 p. 519-344-9601 or 519-542-6100 **Drop In Hours** Mon. 9 am - 12 pm Tues. 9 am - 12 pm *Wed. **Active Babies** <u>only</u> *9:30 am - 12 pm Fri. 9 am - 12 pm

Nwiijkiwensag EarlyON Centre

Ska:na Family Learning Centre 295 Essex Street Sarnia, ON N7T 4S3 p. 519-339-0945

Drop In Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 am -12:30 pm (includes 1 hr. outdoor time—weather permitting) *Wed. **Sensory Fun**

Infant & Toddler

<u>Infant Massage</u> © ®

Infant massage supports babies, 2-12 months, gain a sense of belonging and well-being. Parents will learn techniques to sooth and connect with their baby. Lead by a Certified Infant Massage Instructor, during 4 weekly sessions.

Lambton College

Monday afternoons, **2:00-3:00 pm** September 9-30

*Registration may begin August 19

Friday mornings, **10:00-11:00 am** November 15-December 6 *Registration may begin October 25

St. Clair

Tuesday afternoons, **1:30-2:30 pm** November 5-26 *Registration may begin October 8

Fun With Baby © ®

Through songs, stories and rhymes, parents/caregivers of infants 0-12 months will discover the benefits of experiences that promote language learning. Responding to the sounds, babbling and first words your baby makes, supports emergent literacy and brain development.

Lambton College

Wednesday afternoons, **2:00-3:00 pm** October 23-November 27 *Registration may begin October 2

Active Babies Drop-in

Infants 6-16 months, will crawl through tunnels, climb foam hills and explore the environment around them. Together, you and your baby will engage in play that celebrates their developing motor skills. This format does <u>not</u> require pre-registration. **NO** childcare.

Coronation Park

Wednesday mornings, 9:30 am-12:00 pm

To register for Lambton College & Coronation Park EarlyON Centre programs, please call 519-542-6100 Ext. 2945

To register for St. Clair EarlyON Centre programs, please call 519-337-7811

To register for Nwiijkiwensag EarlyON Centre programs, please call 519-339-0945 Ext. 227 or Email: Brittany@skanaflc.com

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Bubbles and Babies © ®

(Recommended for infants who are not walking) Bring your baby for an afternoon of exploration with blowing bubbles and singing. This activity is great for your baby's language development. This session is facilitated by our Infant & Child Developmental Specialist: Katie Ellis

St. Clair

Tuesday afternoon, **1:30-2:30 pm** September 17 *Registration may begin August 20

Babies First Games © ®

(Ages 0-12 months) Discover and explore new ways to engage your infant in productive play that will promote early development. This session is facilitated by our Infant & Child Developmental Specialist: Jan Fairbairn-Burr.

St. Clair

Tuesday afternoon, **1:30-2:30 pm** September 24

*Registration may begin August 27

Exploration With Toddlers ®

Toddlers are competent, complex thinkers in play. They have a unique way of learning about their world. Toddlers learn by engaging in active, play-based experiences, especially with a responsive adult. This program will give you and your toddler the opportunity to engage in meaningful interactions while exploring the drop-in environment as co-explorers and co-learners. Many of the experiences can be replicated at home, which further extends your child's learning. This program is geared to the **15-30 month old toddler**.

Coronation Park

Thursday mornings, **9:30-11:30 am** November 21-December 12 *Registration may begin October 31



Sarnia & Area

Preschool

Family Math © ®

Parents and children will have opportunities to explore and investigate during hands-on math experiences. This interactive program is for parents and children in **JK**, **SK and Grade 1 only**.

Lambton College

Tuesday evenings, **6:00-7:30 pm** September 17-October 22 *Registration may begin August 27

Parent Information

Visit with a Registered Dietitian

A Registered Dietitian / Nutritionist from Lambton Public Health will be available to discuss Nutrition and Dietary concerns. Topics: Introducing solids, making baby food and picky eaters.

St. Clair

Wednesday, September 18, 9:30-10:30 am

Dental Screening for Children

(Ages Birth-6 years)

Lambton Public Health (Dental Hygienists) will be on-site to perform dental health screening on children within program. Screening will include counting of teeth, screening for dental concerns, distributing free supplies such as: toothbrushes, toothpaste and floss. Information about dental health will be available.

St. Clair

Tuesday, September 10, **10:00-11:30 am** Monday, November 25, **10:00-11:30 am**

Family Activities

Corn Husk Doll Legend ®

<u>(Recommend ages 4+)</u> We will be sharing the legend of "Why the Cornhusk Doll has no face" with the opportunity of making your own doll.

Nwiijkiwensag

Saturday, September 28, **10:00 am-12:30 pm** *Register before September 13

Indigenous Fry Bread Making ®

(1 child to 1 adult ratio please) Come learn, get messy, make mistakes and explore the art of traditional Fry Bread.

Nwiijkiwensag

Saturday, October 26, **10:00 am-12:30 pm** *Register before October 18

Family Activities continued

<u>Sensory Fun</u>

(Ages 2-6 years)

We have created a natural space for children, parents and caregivers that allows learning through exploration and discovery. We also partner with other community organizations as a resource for families. Through activities that stimulates your young child's senses: touch, smell, taste, movement, balance, sight and hearing. Along with small and large motor skill activities in an inviting environment. There will be a theme attached to the day for your children to explore and learn about.

Nwiijkiwensag Wednesday mornings, 10:00-11:30 am

Indigenous Exploration and Story Telling

(All ages)

Èveryoné is welcome to join us for the series of introductory sessions, in learning more about the Ojibwe Indigenous Culture. Each week an EarlyON Indigenous Advocate will provide us with Indigenous learning opportunities. The 5 sessions will include an introduction of learning materials from the 'Indigenous Kit', which will include: drumming, songs, legends, teachings, story telling, circle activities, etc.

St. Clair

Tuesday afternoons, **2:15-3:15 pm** October 1-29

Family Literacy Experiences

The Early Literacy Specialist visits our Drop-in locations on a regular basis to implement literacy focused experiences. She is also available to answer questions related to early literacy and numeracy from parents or caregivers.

St. Clair Monday mornings, **9:00-11:30 am** Sept. 16, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 9

Bright's Grove Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11:30 am Sept. 10, Oct. 15, Nov. 12

Coronation Park

Monday mornings, **9:30 am-12 pm** Sept. 23, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 2

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La ribambelle Saint-Thomas -d'Aquin Centre ON y va

931 Champlain Rd. Sarnia, ON N7V 2E9 p. 519-542-5423 f. 519-542-4935

Drop In Hours

Tues. & Wed. & Thurs. 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Bright's Grove EarlyON Centre St. Michael School 1930 Wildwood Drive Bright's Grove. ON

N0N 1C0 p. 519-542-6100

<u>Drop In Hours</u> Tues. 9:30 - 11:30 am

St. Clair EarlyON Centre

Lochiel Kiwanis Community Centre 180 College Ave. N. Sarnia, ON N7T 7X2 p. 519-337-7811 f. 519-337-0914

Drop In Hours

Mon., Wed. & Fri.– 9:00-11:30 am Tues. & Thurs. – 9:00-11:30 am & 1-3:15 pm

*Rides to programs (within the City of Sarnia) Thursday mornings Please call 519-337-7811 before 8:45 am if you need a ride.

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Did You Know?

Your Child's enhanced 18-month well-baby visit

When you go for your visit, you and your health care provider will discuss your child's development and you can ask any questions you may have. You will complete a checklist, which provides a snapshot of your child's development and a starting point for your discussion.

The visit allows early identification of any concerns and a referral to specialized community services, if necessary, for your child.

If you do not have a health provider, you can meet with a public health nurse by calling (519) 383-8331 For more information go to www.children.gov.on.ca

French Mondays

Monday morning visits are an immersion in the French language for families attending English EarlyON Centres. The French vocabulary is integrated via games, stories and songs, during the free play moments, snack time and the circle time, which is co-led in French and English with two educators. All families are welcome!

Corunna EarlyON Centre

Monday mornings 9:30-11:30 am December 2019, May 2020

Forest EarlyON Centre Monday mornings 9:30-11:30 am

October 2019, March 2020

Lambton College EarlyON Centre Monday mornings 9:30-11:30 am January 2020

Petrolia EarlyON Centre

Monday mornings 9:30-11:30 am September 2019, February 2020

St. Clair EarlyON Centre Monday mornings 9:30-11:30 am November 2019, April 2020

Parent and Professional Resource Centre (PPRC)

What: A place where parents and caregivers can make learning materials to use with children in their home. Materials and laminating are provided for use while at the centre, free of charge.
Where: Lambton College North Building (in with the EarlyON Centre)
When: Tuesday 12-8, Wednesday 11-6, Thursday 12-8 The first and third Saturday of the

month (closed the Saturday of a stat holiday). *Limited child care provided by the

EarlyON Centre Tuesday afternoons, between 12:30-2:30 pm, for one hour, on a first come, first served basis.

Thank you to the County of Lambton for funding the Parent and Professional Resource Centre.

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St. Clair Township

Infant & Toddler

Bubbles and Babies © ®

Bring your baby for a fun day blowing bubbles and singing! Why bubbles? They are fun and are great for a baby's language development. Come find out why! Great for **infants 6-12 months old.**

Brigden

Friday, December 6, 9:30-10:30 am

Infant Massage © ®

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Corunna

Wednesday afternoons, **1:30-2:30 pm** September 18-October 9

Parent Information

Visit with Registered Dietitian

A Registered Dietitian will join us to discuss how to tell if your baby is ready for solids, what you need to know about food allergies and making food at home for your baby, as well as answer any questions parents may have regarding nutrition and their children's diet.

Corunna

Wednesday, September 25, 10:00-11:30 am

All About Teeth

A Registered Dental Hygienist from Lambton Public Health will be visiting with lots of information on children's dental health and be able to answer all your questions, such as when to see a Dentist, fluoride and thumb-sucking.

Corunna

Wednesday, October 23, 9:30-11:00 am

Port Lambton

Thursday, October 24, 9:30-11:00 am

Brigden

Friday, October 25, 9:30-11:00 am

Family Activities

Family Literacy Experiences

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Corunna

Friday mornings, **9:30-11:30 am** Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 8, Dec. 6

Port Lambton Thursday mornings, , 9:30-11:30 am

Sept. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 14

Brigden

Friday mornings, **9:30-11:30 am** Sept. 20, Oct. 11, Nov. 1

Exploring Music & Movement with Young Children

(Best suited for ages 2-6 years) Join us as we explore instruments and other materials and move to the music!

Brigden

Fridays, November 8-22, **11:00-11:30 am**

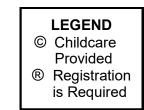
Port Lambton

Thursdays, November 14-28, 11:00-11:30 am

Corunna

Wednesdays, Nov. 20-Dec. 4, 11:00-11:30 am

To register for Port Lambton, Corunna & Brigden EarlyON Centre sites, call 519-892-3151



Port Lambton EarlyON Centre Riverview Central School 3926 St. Clair Parkway Port Lambton, ON NOP 2B0 p. 519-892-3151 Drop In Hours Tuesday 9 - 11:30 am Thursday 9 - 11:30 am *5:30 - 8 pm (*Registered Programs

Only)

Corunna

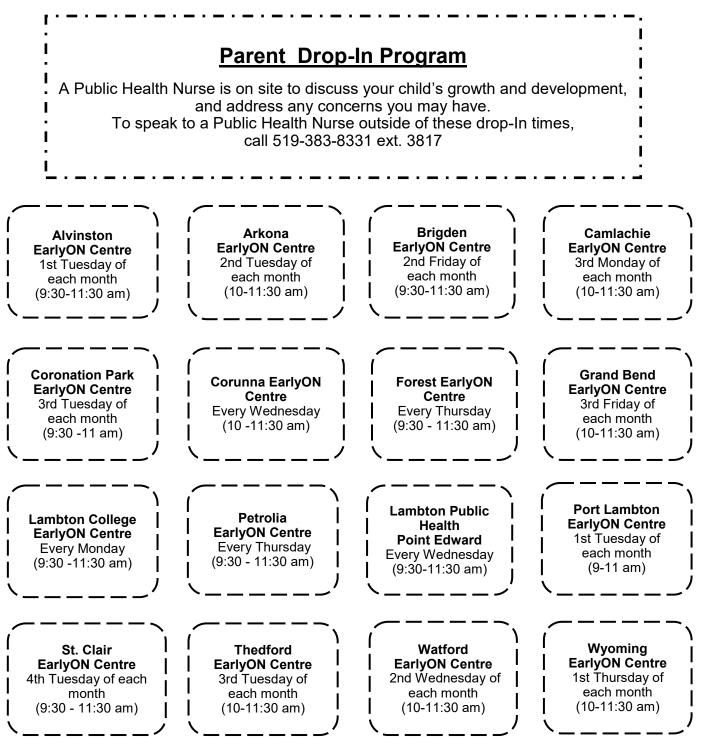
EarlyON Centre St. Joseph School 535 Birchbank Drive Corunna, ON NON 1G0 p. 519-862-5071 or 519-542-6100 <u>Drop In Hours</u> Monday 9 - 11:30 am & 1 - 3:30 pm *Thurs. 5:30 - 7:30 pm (*Registered Programs Only) Friday 9 - 11:30 am

Brigden EarlyON Centre

Brigden United Church 2420 Jane St. Brigden, ON NON 1B0 p. 519-892-3151 <u>Drop In Hours</u> Friday 9 - 11:30 am



160 Exmouth Street Point Edward, ON N7T 7Z6 Telephone: 519-383-8331 Toll free: 1-800-667-1839





"Is your child having difficulty communicating?"

A SoundStart Speech-Language Pathologist from Pathways Health Centre for Children is available at EarlyON Child and Family Centre drop-ins to talk with you about your child's communication skills.

Drop-Ins are available for families who want to meet with a Speech-Language Pathologist without arranging an appointment.

Drop-Ins are first come, first served.

You can also book an assessment appointment by contacting SoundStart through Pathways Health Centre for Children at 519-542-2074 or 1-855-542-3471.

SoundStart currently accepts referrals for children until January 31st of the year before they are eligible to attend Grade 1. Children beyond this age should be referred for school-based services through their teacher.

Services are funded by the Government of Ontario and are provided at no charge to families.

Coronation Park Alvinston **EarlyON Centre EarlvON Centre** Friday: 10:30 - 11:30 am Tuesday: 10:00 -11:00 am September 10, December 10 October 25 Forest Corunna EarlyON Centre **EarlyON Centre** Thursday: 10:30 - 11:30 am Wednesday: 10 - 11 am October 10 November 6 Lambton College Grand Bend EarlyON Centre EarlyON Centre Tuesday: 5:30-7:30 pm Friday: 10 - 11:30 am September 10, October 8 November 1 November 12 Lambton College Little Friends/Nwiijkiwensag EarlyON Centre **EarlyON Centre** Friday: 10 - 11:30 am Thursday: 10 - 11:00 am September 27, December 13 November 14 Port Lambton Petrolia **EarlyON Centre EarlyON Centre** Thursday: 10:30 - 11:30 am Tuesday: 10:30 - 11:30 am September 5, December 5 November 26 Watford St. Clair EarlyON Centre EarlvON Centre Friday: 9:30 - 11 am Wednesday: 10 - 11:30 am October 4 September 25 December 18



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Petrolia

Petrolia EarlyON Centre:

St. Philip School 420 Queen St. p. 519-882-2100 f. 519-882-4516

Drop In Hours

Mon. 9 - 11:30 am 5:30 - 7:30 pm Tues. 9 - 11:30 am 1:00 - 3:00 pm Wed. 9 - 11:30 am 1:00 - 3:00 pm Thurs. 9 -11:30 am 1:00 - 3:00 pm Fri. 9 - 11:30 am

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Infant & Toddler

<u>Infant Massage</u> ®

Infant massage supports babies, 2-12 months, gain a sense of belonging and wellbeing. Parents will learn techniques to soothe and connect with their baby. Lead by a Certified Infant Massage Instructor, during 3 or 4 weekly sessions. **1:30 pm**

Monday September 16, 23, 30, October 7 Monday December 9, 16, 23

Make the Connection © ®

Provides opportunities to strengthen the connection between parents and infants 0-12 months, through a variety of activities. An important component involves video-taping of participants who will receive a DVD of the video clips at the completion of the class. In partnership with SCCYS. **1 pm**

We ask for a commitment to attend all sessions. Limited childcare available, registration is required.

Monday October 21, 28, November 4, 18, 25 and December 2

Introduction to Baby Sign ® ©

Parents will learn the strategies they need to teach their children to use signs to communicate. Babies are able to show through sign what they see, what they need and express how they feel, increasing their sense of belonging and well-being. **1:30 pm**

Wednesday December 18

Little Counters ® ©

Play based program for parents and caregivers with children 12 to 39 months. Families will play, sing and do activities together to understand and build mathematical concepts. **9:30 am**

Wednesday November 6, 13, 20 and 27

Preschool

Storytime with Librarian

Join us for a fun time reading books, singing songs, and playing games with our local Librarian. **11 am**

Friday September 20, October 18 and November 15

Preschool Continued

Monday Night's for 3-6 Year Old's ®

Children will be able to explore materials and experience activities that will support learning in the areas of math, science and language. Each topic has two sessions, the second session will be based on the children's interest and knowledge from the first session. **6 pm**

September 23 and 30—Math October 21 and 28—Science and Nature November 18 and 25—Language

Family Literacy Activities

Join the Early Literacy Specialist where she will share a hands-on literacy/numeracy opportunity for parents/caregivers and children to engage in. **9:30 am**

Tuesday September 24, October 22, November 5 and Monday December 9

Ska:na FLC - Nwiijkwensag EarlyON ®

Let's explore some Aboriginal culture. An EarlyON Indigenous Advocate will provide us with culturally appropriate Indigenous learning opportunities including drumming, songs, legends, teachings and storytelling. Watch the bulletin board for specific activities. **10:30-11:30 am**

Friday October 4, 11, December 6 and 13

Parenting

Visit with Registered Dietitian

A Registered Dietitian from Central Lambton Family Health Team will be available to answer any questions you may have about introducing solids, making baby food, feeding picky eaters and much more. **10 - 11:30 am**

Thursday September 12, November 14

All About Teeth

A Registered Dental Hygienist from Lambton Public Health will be visiting with information on children's dental health and to answer all your questions, such as when to see a Dentist, fluoride use and thumb sucking. **10 - 11:30 am**

Thursday, October 17

Alvinston

Alvinston	
EarlyON Site: Brooke Alvinston Municipal Building 3236 River St. Alvinston	lr n w s
p. 519-882-2100 f. 519-882-4516	b d T
Drop In Hours	<u>lr</u>

Tues. 9 am -12 pm Fri. 9 am -12 pm

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Tuesday September 10, 17 and 24

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Friday November 22

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Tuesday November 12, 19, 26 and December 3

Music and Movement for Toddlers

Toddlers love to be active! We can express ourselves by moving our bodies in different ways with music. **11 am**

Tuesday October 15 Friday November 15 Tuesday December 17

Preschool

Storytime with Librarian

Join us for a fun time reading books, singing songs, and playing games with our local Librarian. **11 am**

Friday September 6, October 4, November 1 and December 6

Preschool continued

Family Literacy Activities

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Friday September 27, October 11, November 8 and December 13

Playdough Make and Take ®

Sensory activities are an important part of child development. Families will make some playdough together and take it home! Please register so we have enough ingredients. **9:30 am**

Tuesday October 22

Parent Information

Parent Drop-In

A Public Health Nurse is on site to discuss your child's growth and development, and address any concerns you may have. To speak to a Public Health Nurse outside of these drop-In times call 519-383-8331 ext. 3817 **9:30 am to 12 pm**

Tuesday September 3, October 1, November 5 and December 3

SoundStart

A SoundStart Speech-Language Pathologist from Pathways Health Centre for Children is available at EarlyON Child and Family Centre drop-ins to talk with you about your child's communication skills. Drop-Ins are available for families who want to meet with a Speech-Language Pathologist without arranging an appointment. Drop-Ins are first come, first serve. **10:30-11:30 am**

Friday October 25

All About Teeth

A Registered Dental Hygienist from Lambton Public Health will be visiting with information on children's' dental health and to answer all your questions, such as when to see a Dentist, fluoride use and thumb sucking. **10 - 11 am**

Tuesday October 1

Forest

EarlyON Centre: Kinnwood Central School 63 MacDonald St. (Morris St. Entrance) p. 519-786-6161 ext. 9230 p. 1-888-561-2080 f. 519-786-5399

Forest

Drop In Hours

Mon. 8:00 - 11:30 am 1:00 - 4:00 pm Tues. 8:00 - 11:30am 1:00 - 4:00 pm Wed. 8:00 - 11:30am 1:00 - 4:00 pm Thurs. 8:00 - 11:30am 1:00 - 4:00 pm Fri. 8:00 - 11:30 am Sat. 9:30 - 12:00 pm

(Closed the Saturday of statutory holidays)

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Check our calendar for more monthly programming!

Infant & Toddler

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Thursday September 5, 12, 19 and 26 Thursday November 7, 14, 21 and 28

How a Toddler Explores ®

Toddlers have a unique way of learning about their world. They enjoy 'learning by doing'. Through hands on exploration, you and your toddler will play and investigate the drop-in environment. Many of the experiences can be replicated at home, extending the learning even more. **10 am**

Wednesday September 18, October 16, November 13 and December 18

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Thursday October 3

Music & Movement for Little Ones © ®

Toddlers will have the opportunity to engage in music experiences through listening, movement, signing and playing musical instruments. **10 am**

Monday September 9 Wednesday October 9 Tuesday November 5 Monday December 2

Preschool

Story Book Yoga © ®

Yoga stories express imagination and creativity through storytelling and movement. For ages 2.5 and up. **10 am**

Friday September 6 and October 4 - outside Friday November 1 and December 6

Outdoor Play

Outdoor experiences are important for children's health, development and well-bring. Check the monthly calendars for what is happening each Friday. **8:00 - 11:30 am**

Afterschool Make & Take ®

Drop in after school for a Make and Take. Snack will be provided. Call to register. **2:45 pm**

Wednesday September 11 - make lunchables Wednesday October 30 - make a board game Wednesday November 20 - wooden spoon puppets

Ska:na FLC - Nwiijkwensag EarlyON ®

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Monday November 4

Family Activities

Family Math ®

Parents and children will have opportunities to explore and investigate during hands-on math experiences. This interactive program is for parents and children in **JK**, **SK and Grade 1 only. 6 pm**

Tuesday September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22

Family Literacy Activities ®

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Monday September 16, Friday October 18, Tuesday November 12 and December 17

Mobile Sites

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Camlachie

Monday October 21, 28 and November 4

Watford

Wednesday October 30, November 6 and 13

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Camlachie Monday October 7

Watford Wednesday November 27

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Thedford

Tuesday October 15

Watford Wednesday October 16

Wyoming Thursday October 17

Grand Bend Friday October 18

Please let us know what programs you would like to see offered at our mobile sites!

You can register by calling 519-786-6161 ext. 9226

Preschool

Music & Movement

Toddlers love to be active! We can express ourselves by moving our bodies in different ways with music. **10 am**

Camlachie Monday November 4

Thedford Tuesday November 5

Watford Wedneday November 6

Wyoming Thursday November 7

Grand Bend Friday November 8

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Camlachie Monday September 23, October 7, November 11, December 2

Arkona

Tuesday September 10, October 29, November 26, December 10

Thedford

Tuesday September 3, October 1, November 19, December 3

Watford Wednesday September 18, October 23, November 20, December 4

Wyoming Thursday September 19, October 24, November 21, December 19

Grand Bend Friday September 6, October 25, November 22, December 6

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Wyoming Thursday September 26

Watford Wednesday October 2

EarlyON Mobile Program

Camlachie

<u>Mondays</u> at the Camlachie United Church 6784 Camlachie Rd. 9:30-11:30 am

Thedford

<u>1st & 3rd Tuesday</u> Lambton County Library Legacy Centre 16 Allen St. 9:30-11:30 am

Arkona

2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesday Arkona Recreation Centre 16 Smith St. 9:30-11:30 am

Watford

Wednesdays at the Trinity Anglican Church 5331 Nauvoo Rd. 9:30-11:30 am

Wyoming

<u>Thursdays</u> Holy Rosary Catholic School 715 London St. 9:30 - 11:30 am

Grand Bend

<u>Fridays</u> at the Grand Bend Public School

Choosing Books to Read with Your Child



Below are some suggestions for choosing books to read with your child. Most importantly, choose books you and your child will enjoy! Set a goal to read aloud with your child at least 15 minutes every day. Experiment to find out the best time during the day that your child is most interested or engaged with books (not all children cope with "bed time" reading).

Check out the Read Aloud website at https://www.readaloud.org/

Things to look for:

Books that encourage children's imagination. Books that treat people with respect. Books that represent people from different cultures. Books that create interactive opportunities. Books that reflect a child's specific interest: trucks, dinosaurs, pets, etc.

Choosing books for babies:

Books with limited text. Board books or sturdy books that cannot easily be ripped. Books with simple, clear and large pictures. Books with familiar things: cup, ball, cat, baby, dog, mommy, daddy.

Choosing books for toddlers:

Books that describe everyday things: getting dressed, playing, eating, going to the potty, going to bed, etc. Books that tell a simple story. Books with animals. Books with pictures that encourage making sounds such as animals/phones. Books with more complicated pictures that allow children to find and name familiar things.

Choosing books for preschoolers:

Books that tell a more complicated story. Books with more text. Books about feelings and other abstract ideas. Books about less familiar things: different cultures, different animals. Books with humour, nonsense or rhymes. Books about ideas that can't always be explained easily: rainbows, magic

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