

November 2019 Newsletter

Calgary & Region Family Day Home Agency Inc.

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Important Dates to Remember:

Invoice Due Date:
Thursday, November 21st by 9:00am

Upcoming Fun Stuff:

Our Annual Turkey Dinner is
Saturday, November 23rd, 2019
*Space is limited, RSVP required

Training Opportunities

Brain Story Certification: www.albertafamilywellness.org/training

Being Trauma Aware: https://trauma.respectgroupinc.com/trauma_aware/start.jsp

Community Education Service (AHS): <https://community.hmh.ca/>

Alberta Curriculum Framework: <https://flightframework.ca/>

What Parents are Saying

About: Bernadine R.

She continues to be like another part of our family. She and her family make us all feel welcome and comfortable there. Her family all look out for our kids and get to know them and interact with them all the time. Bernadine is a very reliable provider. We can always count on her to provide high quality care, to use strong communication skills with parents, and to plan age appropriate daily activities for the kids that they enjoy and also special events too.

What Parents are Saying

About: Iman C.

We have been overwhelmingly happy with the service of care that Iman has given V. We would recommend her in a heartbeat to other parents and I would love to be on file to provide recommendation letters/ phone calls if needed.

What Parents are Saying

About: Rose B.

We could not be more thrilled with Ms. Rose and the outstanding child care she provides. Such an incredible woman who the boys are blessed to have in their lives.

“Children are great imitators. So give them something great to imitate.”

— Anonymous

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From the desk of ...

Susan ~ Director

It's that time of year again when we are well into planning and organizing our annual Turkey Dinner. If you haven't already RSVP'd spaces fill up fast so please email your Consultant. This year we will be host a Gift Basket Raffle in support of the Children's Cottage. Raffle tickets will be \$1 each and all proceeds will go to the Cottage. We will also be collecting donations for the Cottage (if you would like to bring something you can check out their wish list:

http://childrenscottage.ab.ca/clientuploads/Wish%20Lists/Fall%202019/Fall_and_Winter_Wishlist_2019.pdf

Storypark is a great, secure, digital tool for sharing dayhome stories and communicating with families. We currently have over 50 dayhomes using this tool and it has been amazing to see all the stories and information they can share to build their dayhome community. If you would like more information or have any questions please let me know susan@calgaryfamilydayhomes.com

Louise ~ Parent Accounts

Winter is here! And the clocks went back, an extra hour of sleep!

Parents: As of October 16th, 2019 online subsidy applications/renewals have changed. It was noted on Facebook and is attached to this newsletter.

Providers: Winter break is coming. Are you closed over the holidays? Are your parents aware? A 30 day notice for closures must be given to parents.

Reminder: if children are absent for more than 3 days myself or Ben must be notified.

Keep warm and enjoy our beautiful winter!

Laura ~ Invoicing

With the New Year fast approaching it is time to prepare a list of the days your day home will be closed in 2020 and whether or not these days are paid or not paid. As each of you are self-employed **you** determine which days your day home will be closed, there are no statutory holidays for self-employed contractors.

Parents need at least 30 days' notice of any fee agreements and/or adjustments so this 2020 letter should be ready for current families to read and sign in December.

A signed copy is to be sent to the office in order for us to note their accounts and a copy should be given to the parent to keep for their records.

If you have questions or need guidance please call and speak with Louise, Ben or myself.

Hope to see you at the Turkey Dinner!

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Service Update

Children's Services

Alberta Child Care Subsidy Application system update

Children's Services and the Government of Alberta's Digital Innovation Office (DIO) have been working on a new digital platform for a variety of child care services. The first phase of this project is now complete and improves how parents apply for childcare subsidy.

This new online child care subsidy application tool will make applying for and receiving child care subsidy easier for parents. This new tool will make the application process much simpler, allow parents to use mobile devices, and integrate with My Alberta Digital ID (MADI) to ensure the process is secure.

The new system will launch on **October 16 2019**.

To access the new system and for more information about child care subsidies and the application process, visit: <https://www.alberta.ca/child-care-subsidy.aspx>.

What you can do

Parents who apply for child care subsidy often ask for help from their child care providers in completing or navigating what can be a complicated application process. The new system makes it easier for parents to confirm their eligibility, apply for and start receiving subsidy. This means as parents apply for space in your child care centre, they can confirm subsidy sooner and won't need to use paper applications anymore.

What you need to know

Parents will be able to apply online on almost any digital device. They will still receive conditional acceptance but their applications will be processed much more quickly. Should they meet the eligibility requirements and submit a completed application through the new system, they will still receive a formal letter indicating they have received full subsidy.

The current online application will be available alongside the new version for a short period of time. Applications submitted through the current online application system will still be assessed with no interruption.

If parents require assistance applying for subsidy, have them contact the Alberta Supports Contact Centre at 1-877-644-9992.

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DAYHOME AGENCY INC

Annual Turkey Dinner

Join us for a holiday feast with
friends and family!

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2019
MARDA LOOP COMMUNITY HALL;
3130 16 STREET SW**

Doors open at 4:30 pm / Dinner at 5:00 pm
Please RSVP to Laura at laura@calgaryfamilydayhomes.com

5 Gift Baskets to be raffled off, tickets \$1 each; proceeds will be
donated to The Children's Cottage

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Happy Birthday

Nicole S

Nemia

CarolG

Carolyn

Yetti

Comfort

Grace

Flor

Moshina

Abida

Heather C

Health Canada Recalls

- Contigo Kids Cleanable Water Bottles
- Rosemount brand cooked diced chicken meat
- Heinz brand Turkey Stew baby food

Please visit: <https://healthycanadians.gc.ca> to find out about more recalls or to check if an item you are using has been recalled

Scholastics Orders

Do you want to order some books from the current scholastic book clubs?

Visit: <http://www.scholastic.ca/clubs/readingclubonline/> for all of the different Reading Club magazines. All you need to do to order is email Laura (laura@calgaryfamilydayhomes.com) the name, number, price of the book as well as the Reading Club Book its coming from (Ex: October Elf, #3E2, \$2)

Or **Order Online**—<http://www.scholastic.ca/> Follow these links once you are on the website

Parent Pay - "Shop Now" - Parents Connect to A Teacher - Look Up by Postal Code T3E 2J6 - Select Calgary Family Dayhomes - and you're all set to start shopping!