

Family Day Is Coming!

February 2021



Elkford Early Years Update

What to look forward to!

The month of January went by so fast and we hope that all of our families adjusted to getting back into the school groove!

As we entered the new year, we were excitedly awaiting to hear who the Elkford New Years Baby was going to be! We would like to proudly welcome baby Eva Alexandra Schweitzer born on January 4th 2021 to parents Brad Schweitzer and Kelly Jo Paris and brother Eric. Congratulations on your beautiful bundle of joy!

We apologize for the delay on the winter kits as we are waiting on some supplies to still come in. We will be sending an update as soon as we know when we can expect to deliver your families kits.

We have something fun planned for Family day on Monday, February 15th 2021..... join us in having some outdoor fun and decorating a snowman on your lawns and post your pictures on the Elkford Early Years Facebook page! This fun family filled contest can enter you in winning a family day basket from the Elkford Early Years Team! See the below poster for more details.

The Elkford Women's Task Force Society is hiring for the Elkford Early Years Coordinator position and have posted details below. Thank you so much to each family for your kind words and support as I continue my career path with my business and I will miss each of you as I step down in this role.

Sincerely,
Shawna Bryant

Online Programs, Resources

The first 12 episodes of Preschool During the Pandemic have been posted on the Early Childhood Technical Assistance center web site. This series followed the experiences of practitioners and families from across the country during the fall semester and the videos vividly illustrate how the fields of early education and early childhood special education are successfully supporting preschoolers with IEPs, typically developing preschoolers, and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic: <https://ectacenter.org/topics/disaster/preschoolpandemic.asp>

“A happy family is but an earlier heaven.”

– George Bernard Shaw

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Get Outside & Play

Outdoor Play in the Early Years Virtual Workshop

CBEEN is pleased to share that they've now confirmed their first virtual pro-d session geared for early years educators! Outdoor Play in the Early Years. This will take place in the evening on Wed. Feb 3, and will be facilitated by Christina Pickles - a fantastic presenter who runs 'Get Outside and Play' <https://getoutsideandplay.ca/>.

More information on our workshops is now posted here: <https://cbeen.ca/workshops/>.

Registration for 'Outdoor Play in the Early Years' can be found at this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqcO2hpzMuHNGw9wnm0toeNbOjYQqyNxRl>



DO YOU WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN?

To help celebrate Family Day on Monday, February 15th 2021 the Elkford Early Years is excited to announce a fun Family Day Contest!!

Register to receive your snowman building kit before February 12th @ 5pm to create a masterpiece in your yard for Family Day weekend, post your snowman creation on our Elkford Early Years Facebook page and let the voting begin!! The pictures with the most likes will win a Family Day gift basket. All picture submissions must be posted by 5pm on February 15th for our families to judge by liking your photo until February 19th @ 5pm!

To register for your Family Day Snowman Building Contest: please message us through our Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ElkfordEarlyYears>

or email us at elkfordecd@gmail.com.

Deadline to register is February 12th 2021 @ 5pm!



Elkford Women's Task Force Society requires a part-time (8-10 hours per week) Early Years Coordinator.

Elkford Early Years is inclusive and dedicated to supporting families with children 0-8 years of age residing in Elkford. We assist families in accessing information, services, programs, and programming space that support healthy childhood development. Our vision is that all children ages 0-8 years residing in Elkford have opportunity to fulfill their fullest potential emotionally, socially, cognitively, and physically. Elkford Early Years, under the administration of the EWTF, provide several programs and services that allow opportunity for family navigation regarding local services and programs, provide support and information to families, promote a sense of community belonging, support indigenous culture, provide non-childcare early learning opportunities, and inform planning and development of local services.

Current Programs and Services Include:

Mom and Me Non-facilitated Play Group

Baby and Me Facilitated Group

Healthy Start

Car Seat Safety Clinics

Monthly Newsletter

Monthly Activity Calendar & Resource List

Special Event Activities

Required Skills:

Excellent public speaking skills, strong word processing skills, social media competency, ability to work well with others, program coordination, respectful communication skills, ability to work independently, excellent time management and organizational skills. Familiarity with BC's Early Learning Framework will be required within 90 days of commencing employment.

Application Closing Date: February 15, 2021 @ 5:00pm

A complete job description is available on request. Submit resume with cover letter by email to:

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Thank you in advance to all candidates applying but only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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