

## Debunking the Myths About Licensed Home Child Care

With Family Space Quinte Inc.



### MYTH 1:

My house has to look like a day care all the time.



**FACT 1:** Your house is your home. Many caregivers have dedicated space where they leave toys and equipment set up for the children in their care. This is not necessary. Our Home Visitor, Lisa Elliot can assist you with programming, and ideas that make a child care setting that is ideal for children, and for you and your family as well.

**MYTH 2:** If I look after children in my home, I will feel very isolated.

**FACT 2:** Not with a licensed agency like Family Space. We have a home visitor, Family Space, staff who are here to assist you. We also have a network of caregivers who meet monthly to share ideas and concerns, and a closed Facebook group to share ideas as well. You can network with any of our caregivers whenever you need or want to. We have built a community to support you as a caregiver with Family Space!

**MYTH 3:** I have to have my yard fenced.

**FACT 3:** The Home Visitor will do an initial assessment of your home to ensure safety indoors and out. Many of our caregivers do not have fenced in yards, and it is a safe and nurturing outdoor play environment for children.



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### Wildwood Walkers



### Parent and Baby Hiking Group

Babies must be worn in a carrier.

Where: Potters Creek Conservation Authority  
Dundas Street West (parking on the south side)

When: Thursday June 8- make your own walking stick

Thursday June 15- "Mood Walk" and Forest Bathing"

9:30-11:30 To register email

[jhickey@familyspace.ca](mailto:jhickey@familyspace.ca)



# Family Space Newsletter

June 2017

We've talked about "*pedagogy*" before. *Pedagogy* is how the learning happens. *Pedagogy* is "the understanding of how learning takes place and the philosophy and practices that supports that understanding of learning" (Ontario Ministry of Education, How Does Learning Happen?). It is important for us to think about how to support our children's learning.

"*Nature pedagogy*" is gaining momentum. It is an approach that supports children to make a stronger connection to the natural world with all its gifts. *Nature pedagogy* is the learning that can emerge from all the wonders that nature has to offer children as they engage in outdoor play in the natural world. Natural spaces present our children with multiple opportunities to engage their curiosity and demonstrate that they are competent and capable of complex thinking.

*Pedagogy* grows when children revisit the same *place* time and time again. As children develop a familiarity with this *place*, an emotional connection is made. Over time, we begin to see children placing more value on this place and wanting to care for it. Their learning goes deeper. They learn to manage their risks. With the combination of *nature pedagogy* and *place-based* education, we are emphasizing hands-on, real-world local learning experiences. This *pedagogical* approach supports children in becoming environmental stewards truly caring about the outdoor world.

In addition to our outdoor playgroup at **Wildwood Academy**, you are invited to experience *nature pedagogy* and *place-based* education at our **Tales on the Trails** outdoor summer literacy program. For information, check under resources (Literacy Resources at Family Space) on our website.

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# June 2017

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	DATES
<b>MONDAY</b>			
Prince Charles Playgroup	Prince Charles School - 75 Ritchie Avenue, Belleville	9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Monday 5,12,19,26
Salvation Army Playgroup	Salvation Army Church 161 Bridge Street West, Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Monday 5,12,19,26
Station Street Playgroup	100 Station Street, Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Monday 5,12,19,26
<b>TUESDAY</b>			
Baby Club	100 Station Street, Belleville	10:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.	Tuesday,6,13,20,27
Infant Feeding Club	100 Station Street, Belleville	11:30 a.m. –12:30.m.	Tuesday,6,13,20,27
Prince of Wales Playgroup	Prince of Wales School—37 Prince of Wales Drive, Belleville	9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Tuesday,6,13,20,27
Deseronto Playgroup	Deseronto Public School—385 Stanley Avenue, Deseronto	9:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	Tuesday,6,13,20,27
Frankford Playgroup	Frankford Full Gospel Tabernacle—33 Trent St. S. Frankford	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Tuesday,6,13,20,27
Infant Massage email jhickey@familyspace.ca	Susanna Moodie Public School- 376 Avonlough Road	10:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.	Tuesday 6,23,20,27
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
Prince Charles Playgroup	Prince Charles School - 75 Ritchie Avenue, Belleville	9:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	Wed 7,14,21,28
Prince of Wales Playgroup	Prince of Wales School—37 Prince of Wales Drive, Belleville	9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Wed 7,14,21,28
Station Street Playgroup	100 Station Street, Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Wed 7,14,21,28
<b>THURSDAY</b>			
Baby Club	100 Station Street, Belleville	10:00 a.m.– 11:30 p.m.	Thurs1,8,15,22,29
Eastminster Playgroup	Eastminster United Church 432 Bridge Street East, Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Thurs1,8,15,22,29
Tyendinaga Playgroup	Tyendinaga Public School—650 Shannonville Road	9:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	Thurs1,8,15,22,29
<b>FRIDAY</b>			
Station Street Playgroup	100 Station Street, Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Friday 2,9,16,23,30
Prince Charles Playgroup	Prince Charles School - 75 Ritchie Avenue, Belleville	9:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	Friday 2,9,16,23
Wildwood Academy Outdoor Playgroup	Quinte Conservation –Potters Creek-2061 Old Hwy #2 ,Belleville	9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m	Friday 2,9,16,23,30
Tyendinaga Playgroup	Tyendinaga Public School—650 Shannonville Road	9:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	Friday 2,9,16,23
<b>SATURDAY</b>			
Wildwood Academy Outdoor Playgroup	Quinte Conservation –Potters Creek-2061 Old Hwy #2 ,Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Saturday 3rd
Station Street Playgroup	100 Station Street Belleville	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Saturday 10,17,24
Down Syndrome Families	100 Station Street Belleville	10:00a.m.-12:00 noon	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>



Join us Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
for **Wildwood Outdoor  
Playgroup** 9:30 to noon.  
Station Street location will  
be CLOSED.

Dress for Mess!



Join Family Space at Zwicks Park for Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Stay tuned to our [Facebook Page](#) for more details.