

CCRR-PG Events

Living With Bears – Bear Awareness

Hilary Desmarais, Thursday,
 April 25, 2024, 6:30pm
 -8:30pm, Mackenzie Recreation
 Centre – Sas Da'ghe Room
 Fee: FREE!

*Suitable for child care providers,
 childcare workforce, and
 parents.*



Mud Kitchen

CCRR Consultants
 Saturday, April 20th, 2024,
 10:00am -12:00pm, CCRR
 Family Room and Child Care
 Playground
 Fee: \$5

*Suitable for child care providers,
 childcare workforce, parents –
 children welcome!*



**Positive Discipline in School
 Age Care**

Christine Hibbert, Saturday,
 April 27, 2024, 10:00am-
 1:00pm, Online via Zoom
 Fee: \$10

*Suitable for child care providers,
 child care workforce and
 parents.*

Visit mynbcy.ca to register!



CCRR-PG Program News

Wednesday, February 28, 2024, the CCRR office took part in Pink Shirt Day – A Day to stand against Bullying. We supported the Big Brothers, Big Sisters by purchasing their beautiful pink shirts for our team!

As of April 1, 2024:

- CCRR-PG's hours of operation will be changing. Our new hours will be, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am-4:30pm. Thursday, 9:00am-7:00pm. Saturday, 9:00am- 3:30pm. We will not be open Saturdays of long weekends.
- CCRR-PG will no longer be holding shared/group Lending Library Agreements. All people using the Lending Library will need to have their own individual Lending Library Agreement. We are also updating this agreement and will require all clients to upgrade to the new contract.

We would like to announce that we plan to extend our services to the community of Vanderhoof in Spring 2024. We can't wait to be a permanent part of the community! Please see our job postings online.

CCRR-PG Program Features

Are you looking for child care? We can help! Let us know your needs by filling out our [Find a Child Care Provider form](#) and we'll be in contact with you soon to process a child care referral on your behalf. We're here to help!

Have you viewed our Spring 2024 Professional Development schedule yet? If not, see it [here](#). We offer a variety of training that is both online and in-person, and we have start times ranging from evenings to Saturday mornings. Head on over to mynbcy.ca and register!

Our CCRR-PG office has a video tour. Check it out [here](#), or better yet, come visit us in-person!

Community Events

Emergency Child Care – Lifesavers First Aid: Saturday, April 6th, 8AM-5PM, 439 Cassiar St., \$150. Call 250-562-1238 to register.



Baby and Me Yoga: Saturdays, April 13th to May 4th, 2:00pm-3:00pm, Chinook Yoga, \$75. Call 250-564-9642 to register.

PG Italian Centre Pasta Night: Saturday, April 13th, 6:00pm, 1209 5th Ave, \$10-\$25, kids eat free.



Crime Stoppers Shred It Event: Saturday, April 27, 10:00am-2:00pm, PGSS Parking Lot, \$10 minimum donation per bag/bin.

Family Resources

Active Play Tuesday (Highland): is a drop-in program for child care providers and parents, grandparents and parental guardians.

Maximum 25 Children.

Friday Family Play Time (YMCA Rec Room): is a drop-in program for parents, grandparents, and parental guardians.

Max 20 Occupants.

- Both programs are free of charge, drop-in, and first come first serve.
- They provide activities for children aged 0-5.
- Programs are parent caregiver/parent participating.

Child Care News

The latest ChildCareBC Bulletin brings our attention to:

- Important timelines - 2024-25 Child Care Operating Funding renewal
- Early childhood educator wage enhancement
- Child Care Operating Funding during emergency closures
- Changes to Child Care Resource and Referral Centres in B.C.
- Update on the \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program and operating funding model
- Reminder: Grants available to help international and francophone early childhood educators join B.C.'s child care sector
- Reminder: Survey on accessing early childhood educator training programs is closing soon

BC Gov News - More families in B.C. benefiting from \$10-a-day child care: More families in British Columbia will save thousands of dollars every year as more than 700 child care spaces move into the \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program. These spaces will help reduce costs for families and further develop access to high-quality, affordable child care as a core service.

BC Gov News - More funding helps B.C. families with school expenses: The Province is replenishing funding that helps families that need it most cover the extra costs of school activities or buying school supplies for their children.

Articles of Interest

CTV News - Daycare wait times make search 'very stressful' for Canadian parents: "One of the driving factors that appears to be putting pressure on the demand for daycare is the rollout of the Federal Governments \$10/day Early Learning Child Care program. The cost to enroll a child in daycare has decreased, but demand appears to be outpacing the creation of new spaces."

Globe & Mail - Provinces harm family finances by playing politics with \$10-a-day child care: "Two years into the rollout of federal funding for \$10-a-day child care, the plan still isn't firing on all cylinders. But it isn't a sign that the plan is broken. It signals that provinces are playing politics with federal funding rather than urgently reducing financial hardships facing young families. The solution requires provinces to invest fully and efficiently the federal child-care transfers they now receive, while adding their own provincial dollars to scale up the \$10-a-day system."

CBC News - B.C. premier pressed on \$10-a-day child care promise: "B.C.'s premier says the average cost of child care has plummeted from what it was when his party took power in 2017 — but it's still not the \$10 a day his party promised over two elections. The average cost of child care has dropped from around \$50 per day to an average of \$18 per day, according to David Eby. "Our goal around child care is very straightforward," he said Monday in Victoria from a roundtable with community members over his government's latest budget."



CCRR-PG Services ... We are here to help!

Parents:

- Child Care Information and Referrals, including community referrals.
- Knowledge of ChildCareBC initiatives to help lessen the cost of child care (Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative) and support with the application process (Affordable Child Care Benefit).
- Workshops, drop-in programs and family programming to help assist you in your parenting journey.
- Early learning library resources for borrowing to help foster your child's development through play.

Child Care Workforce:

- Information on becoming a Licensed Child Care Provider.
- Application assistance for ChildCareBC initiatives, i.e., Start Up Grant Funding, Wage Enhancement, Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative., etc.
- Workshops and courses to help nourish your early learning practices.
- Community referrals to help strengthen your child care programs.
- Professional networking opportunities to help widen your child care community.
- Early learning library resources for borrowing to help supplement your curricula and early learning provocations.

Have a question? Call us or visit!

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Early Learning Library Corner

Finally, Spring is arriving in Prince George! The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and everything is starting to grow! Come join us at CCRR on Saturday, April 20, 10:00am-12:00pm for our Mud Kitchen. It will be a fun and messy time!

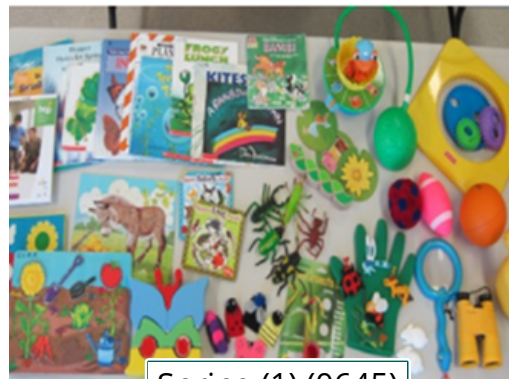


Nature's Growing Things (3631)

Library Resources

Click the links below to view additional pictures of our Early Learning Library resources!

- [Active Play](#)
- [Animal](#)
- [Construction](#)
- [Dramatic Play](#)
- [Games](#)
- [Highland](#)
- [Nature](#)
- [Nutrition](#)
- [Puppet](#)
- [Puzzle](#)
- [Science](#)
- [Social](#)
- [Story Bag](#)
- [Toddler](#)



Spring (1) (0645)



Spring (2) (1569)



Camping (3672)



Bears (1288)