



FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Old Millbrook School Family Centre February 2012

WHATS NEW AT THE FAMILY CENTRE

My name is Connie Frost. I thought I would post a picture of myself so that you can say "Hi" when you see me at the family centre on most Thursday afternoons. My husband and I moved to Millbrook about three years ago. We live just outside of town with our dog Buddy. I fell in love with Millbrook when I first walked down the main street. I was made to feel welcome when complete strangers said Hello to me or Good Morning. Volunteering for the Family Centre allows me to meet some wonderful people, like Moyra. I help where I can in the office and the News letter is something I have just taken on. Here is my first letter.

Once a month I will send you a news letter about events at the family centre, Stay and Play activity plans, community family activities, and anything else families maybe interested in. If you have any suggestions or would like to include something yourself, please let me know at omsfc@nexicom.net I would like to post a picture regularly, so if you a picture from a family centre activity or community event, send it to me at the above address in an email friendly size format. All submissions need to be sent to me by the last Wednesday of the month. You will receive your News letter the first week of each month. Thank you for your support.



STAY AND PLAY EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAYS FROM 9AM-1PM

February is time to celebrate Valentine's Day. The theme for the first part of the week is Hearts. Join Moyra painting heart shapes, creating heart shapes and necklaces.

During the month of February our friends the Birds need a helping hand so Moyra will help you make bird feeders, nests and Owls.

February 21st there will be a special quest from the Early Literacy dept. to read us a story; Sadie and the Snowman

Do not forget to join us for Pot luck lunch on Feb. 23rd.

Visit the Family Centre Web site for a copy of the calendar.

MONEY SAVING TIP

In addition to fitness programs covered by the children's fitness tax credit, parents can now claim money spent on programs that focus on fine arts, music, performing arts, outdoor wilderness training, learning a language, studying a culture, tutoring, and more. When parents claim the children's arts tax credit-up to a maximum of \$500 of the cost of programs-they save as much as \$75 at tax time per child claimed. To find out if your child's program is eligible for the children's arts tax credit, go to www.cra.gc.ca/artscredit

Community Events
Family Day February 20th

FAMILY CENTRE FUND RAISING

Visit the bulletin board in the play room for up-to-date information on fund raising efforts. In 2012 we need to raise \$4000 to make up the difference between the funds we receive and the funds we need. These funds go towards; insurance, maintenance, craft supplies, groceries, program materials, accounting services, special events, toys, books, and resources. Thank you for your support.

FAMILY RESOURCES

Did you know that your family centre we have books, magazines and CDs, to loan you. There is also free stuff. Look for the selection, or ask Moyra, next time you visit.

If you have not visited the Peterborough family resource centre at www.pfrc.ca, take a look. This site has hyper links and other information resources that maybe of interest to you. Check out the Community Parenting education Guide.



Caption describing photo or graphic.

RECALLS, VISIT HEALTHYCANADIANS.GC.CA FOR MORE DETAILS

healthycanadians.gc.ca

Health Canada's sampling and evaluation program has revealed that the snorkel piece of the swim set contains a phthalate, specifically DINP (di-isononyl phthalate), which exceeds the allowable limit. Studies suggest that certain phthalates, including DINP, may cause reproductive and developmental abnormalities in young children when soft vinyl products containing phthalates are sucked or chewed for extended periods.

Neither Health Canada nor Canadian Tire has received any reports of incidents or illnesses related to the use of these swim sets.

For more information on the health risks of phthalates exposure, visit Health Canada's: [Phthalates Fact Sheet](#).

The Cadbury Complete Egg Hunting Kit identifiable by the UPC 6120022818. The bunny is 8.9 centimetres x 7.6 centimetres x 6.4 centimetres (3.5" x 3" x 2.5") in size, white in colour and has a purple neck tie with Cadbury written on it. The bunny makes a clucking sound when squeezed. The best before dates for this

product are: 2012 AL 01 and 2012 JL 01. The plastic eyes and whiskers can detach from the bunny, which can pose a choking hazard to young children. Neither Health Canada nor Kraft Canada has received any reports of incidents or injuries related to the use of these plush toys.

For some tips to help consumers choose safe toys and to help them keep children safe when they play with toys, see Health Canada's: [Toy Safety Tips](#).

This recall involves an adapter that allows a Peg Perego Primo Viaggio Car Seat to attach onto an UPPAbaby Vista Stroller frame. The adapter is two pieces that attach to the right and left side of the stroller frame. It is sold separately from the stroller and the car seat and can be identified by SKU-0091.

FAMILY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING

Next meeting to be held Feb. 22nd 6:30pm. All are welcome.



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