

Spring Registration begins Tuesday, January 19th!



# Parent Newsletter



2010

## Inclement Weather / Closures

Programs at the Centre will be cancelled if the Halton Board of Education cancels the transportation and/or closes schools for the Oakville/Burlington area due to weather conditions. Please listen to your local radio station or watch your local TV station for school closure information. Parents will not be reimbursed for cancellations due to weather conditions. If you have provided us with your e-mail address, you will receive closure notification via e-mail. If you do not currently receive e-mails from us, the easiest way to sign up or update your information, is to go to our website and click on [Join our FREE Email Mailing List](#).

## Oakville Parent-Child Centre DEIPP Clinic:

Date: Saturday, Feb 27th  
Location: 481 North Service Rd W, Unit 25  
Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.



For more information on DEIPP clinics or clinic locations throughout Halton, please check the Region's website: [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

## Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe but registration for fall 2010 nursery school will begin in February. If you would like a registration package, it can be picked up at any of our locations or downloaded from our website starting on January 19th. Nursery school is an important step for your child in ensuring that he or she will be ready for the transition to Kindergarten when the time comes. Learning how to separate happily from you, understanding the routines and transitions in a classroom as well as building relationships with other children are just a few of the important skills that will be learned. Children 18 months to 5 years can participate and you can gain some much needed time - just for you!



One big change this year is that our lease at Kingsway is up for renewal at the end of May and we have decided not to renew. This has been a very tough decision for us to make, as we have put a lot of time, energy and resources into creating a wonderful place for parents in this community. However, from a financial perspective the closure is a sound decision. We have developed strong partnerships in the community over the past 5 years. We are planning to continue our presence in the Clearview community, however we will not be relocating our nursery school in this neighbourhood.

Your feedback is always welcome so please contact me with any comments, suggestions or concerns.

Sincerely,

**Jill Snidal, Executive Director**

e-mail me at [jsnidal@op-cc.ca](mailto:jsnidal@op-cc.ca)

## Lost & Found

- Garnet necklace on gold chain
- Drop pearl earrings

Both these items were found at our North Service Road - Main location. Call us if they belong to you!

## Discovery Station Nursery School

We are currently doing registration for Fall 2010...Here are some of the new programs that will be available starting in September:



- 2 day Toddler program, Monday and Wednesday, 9:00-11:30 a.m. at Florence
- 2 day Toddler program, Tuesday and Thursday, 1:30-4:00 p.m. at NSR-Main

For more details on these and other Discovery Station options, please pick up a copy of our General Information Booklet or download it from our website. *The deadline to have your Discovery Station Nursery School registration form in is **Tuesday, February 2nd.***

## Fundraising

### Name Your Tune CDs

We will be selling these CDs - personalized with your child's name just in time for Easter! Children will hear their name more than 80 times throughout 14 much-loved songs. Look for more details in March.

### Maple Syrup Sale

Fresh Ontario maple syrup will be on sale from February 17th until March 3rd. Watch for more details!



### Children's Concert with Mary Lambert - coming soon!

Mary Lambert is an outstanding Canadian artist in the children's entertainment field. Her wonderful voice and colourful performances are filled with infectious music, sheer energy and lots of audience participation. Watch for more details..

## Online Parenting Modules

Cold weather got you down and the thought of bundling up the kids to come out for one of our parenting workshops is too much? Then try our newest parenting education initiative - online parenting modules!

The topics that are available are:

- ⇒ All About Toddlers
- ⇒ Making Friends and Getting Along
- ⇒ Toilet Learning
- ⇒ Feeding Toddlers and Preschoolers
- ⇒ Sleeping Toddlers



For a small fee (which supports OPCC programs and services) you can receive up-to-date parenting information in the comfort of your own home. In addition to the parenting modules, the "Life With Kids" bundle offers 8 modules about parenting, stress, grief and more. Go to our website and check them out. More modules are under construction and any feedback about the modules or suggested topics is welcome!

- Nikki Taylor, Parent Education Manager