

Program of the Month - Seamless Day Childcare

The Seamless Day Childcare pilot program will employ certified early childhood educators to provide before-and after-school care in kindergarten classrooms and to support learning alongside the classroom teacher. The program makes use of existing classrooms outside of school hours and does not require new rooms or buildings.

Location: Godson Elementary
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More info: <https://godson.abbyschools.ca/programs/childcare/godson>



Juliane Leck - Early Childhood Educator at Seamless Day Childcare Godson Elementary

I am a passionate and dedicated early childhood educator with over 20 years of experience in fostering young learners' academic and personal growth. Originally from Brazil, I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Languages. At Abbotsford School District, I work as an Early Childhood Educator at Godson Elementary, focusing on social-emotional learning and each child's unique qualities. Known for my bubbly personality, I bring energy and innovation to the classroom. Outside of work, I enjoy exploring the outdoors with my husband and two sons, valuing togetherness and well-being.

Meenu Chaudhary - Early Childhood Educator at Seamless Day Childcare Godson Elementary

My journey in early childhood education began with a deep passion for helping young children learn and grow. As a young adult, I volunteered at local preschools and was drawn to children's joy and curiosity in learning. After completing my formal education in early childhood education, I envisioned starting my career in early childhood education. Over the 10 years, I've learned countless valuable lessons about working with young children and their families. I am deeply passionate about offering children the chance to create, explore, learn, play, grow, and foster curiosity in an environment that is safe, enjoyable, nurturing, and welcoming.

Télexw (to find something out, to learn) with the Sweeney Centre



Seasons of the Moon

Tem'elile May 20 - June 17
Salmonberry time

The next month is around May, is salmonberry time, Tem'elile. These are the first berries out and signal the beginning of six or seven months of berry picking time.

For more info: <https://indigenous.abbyschools.ca/node/54612>

Parenting Tip of the Month Early Years Development Stages



Language and Cognitive Development

12 months

- They look at “mommy” or “bottle” when you name them
- Associate action sounds with things (woof for dog)
- Put things in a container, take things out of the container

2 years

- Understands simple questions and directions
- Points to different parts of their body when you ask them to
- Play make-believe or pretend games

3 years

- Can listen to a story or music for 5 to 10 minutes with an adult
- Understand what ‘yesterday’, ‘lunchtime’, and ‘tomorrow’ mean
- Can turn pages of a book one at a time

5 years

- Can follow directions and routines
- Beginning to understand what ‘next week’, ‘next month’, and ‘next year’ mean.
- Can print some letters or numbers

Snack

Critter Crudets



Ingredients: celery, apples, oranges, grapes, blueberries, nut butter of your choice

Instructions:

Wash the fruits and vegetables

- Cut the celery into 3 long pieces and the apples/oranges/etc into round disks
- With a knife and nut butter of your choice fill the centre of the celery sticks.
- Create different critters using the fruit you have precut.

Event of the Month May - Childcare Awareness Month

In British Columbia, May is recognized as Child Care Month to highlight child care's vital role in supporting families, communities, and the economy, and to thank early childhood educators and providers. Child Care Month is a time to celebrate and thank the child care community for providing young children a safe and caring environment where they can grow, explore, and learn. The month is also a time to recognize the valuable contributions of early childhood educators and child care providers.

Partner of the Month Child Care Resource and Referral

Abbotsford Child Care Resource and Referral (CCRR) is committed to enhancing the availability & accessibility of a wide range of inclusive childcare options.

We support child care providers through referrals, workshops, training, networking, consultation, facility visits and a resource library. CCRR support parents & guardians by providing childcare referrals, information on selecting a quality child care environment that will best suit their needs, and assistance with the Affordable Child Care Benefit. For more info: <https://www.abbotsfordccrr.ca/>

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