



# Child Care Awareness Days

*Sponsored by Child Care Connections NS and Early Childhood Development Services, NS Department of Community Services  
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There are many events planned throughout the province for Child Care Awareness Days. Getting involved is a great way to gain recognition and respect for the important work that you do in the community, meet colleagues from your area, build relationships, and have some fun!

## **Provincial Events:**

### **Daily News Feature**

*June 4* – CCAD feature in the Sunday Daily News! Support CCAD by purchasing advertising space. For more information, please contact Connections.

### **Proclamation & Flag Raising**

*June 6, 10 am, Province House, Halifax*  
Join us as CCAD are declared in Nova Scotia. Sandy Greenberg of Razzmatazz for Kids will perform, and refreshments will be served. All are welcome! Plans for this event may change so if you are interested in attending, please be sure to contact Connections.

### **Caring At Work Awards**

*June 15, 7 pm, Citadel Halifax Hotel*  
This evening is a great opportunity to pat colleagues on the back and reward several deserving and dedicated people for their caring. Come for the recognition and conversation, and bid on this year's great silent auction. Dinner is approximately \$25 per person. If you and your co-workers would like to attend, please contact Connections for registration details.

### **Proclamations**

So far, we have received several proclamations of Child Care Awareness Days from across the Province. The following towns and municipalities have all proclaimed Child Care Awareness Days in their communities.

Make sure to thank these municipalities and towns for recognizing the importance of quality child care and those who provide it!

- Halifax Regional Municipality
- Municipality of the District of Argyle
- Municipality of the District of Barrington
- Municipality of the District of Chester
- Municipality of the County of Kings
- Municipality of East Hants
- Municipality of the District of Lunenburg
- Municipality of Pictou County
- Town of Antigonish
- Town of Clark's Harbour
- Town of Middleton
- Town of Mulgrave
- Town of Springhill
- Town of Wolfville

## **Regional Events:**

### **Cumberland, Colchester & North Shore Region**

*June 6* – Networking/Appreciation Night, 6:30-8:00 pm, NSCC Pictou Campus, Stellarton. For more info. contact Angela Hudson (902) 928-2277.

*June 14* – Networking/Appreciation Evening for Early Childhood Professionals, location TBA. For more info. contact Nicole Warren (902) 883-3436.

*June 19* – Appreciation/Networking Night for ECE, 6:30-8:30 pm, Amhurst, location TBA. For more info. contact Sharon Hatchy (902) 597-4406.

*June 25* – Fun Day at the Tac Grounds, 1-4 pm, Truro. Maggie's Place Resource Centre will hold a Stroll-a-thon fundraiser from 1-2 pm. Information regarding Early Learning, a BBQ and children's activities, such as active games, a bouncy tent and a clown, will be provided between 2-4 pm. For more info. contact Nicole Warren (902) 883-3436.

### **Halifax Regional Municipality**

*June 13* – Quality Child Care Parade at 10 am at Victoria Park. Cindy Campbell of Story Song Express will perform, and refreshments will be served. The rain date for this event will be June 19. All are welcome! If you are interested in attending, please contact Connections.

### **North Kings Region**

*June 9* – Annual "Family Fun in the Park," Lockhart Ryan Park, New Minas, 6-8 pm. Quality care providers and programs will provide hands-on activities for children to participate in. Magician Al Bernard will perform and hotdogs and refreshments will be served. All activities are free.

### **West Kings Region**

*June 17* – Child Care Mall Expo at the Greenwood Mall. This year's theme is Western Days. Free activities, wagon and hay rides will be offered. Food will be available at pioneer prices. The annual Child Care Challenge Games will be held at 3pm to close the celebration.

*July 1* – As part of the celebration on the Greenwood Village grounds, free activities for preschoolers will be offered.

### **South Shore Region**

*June 8* – Hosting a Caring At Work Awards at NSCC for all area centre to recognize their colleges who make such a difference in the lives of children.

*June 20* – Children's Picnic at Kinsmen part.

## **Reminders:**

### **Pamper Yourself Raffle**

Pharmasave Drugs Atlantic have, once again, donated a beautiful basket of luxurious self care and relaxation products. Help us by selling your package of tickets. All proceeds

will go to Child Care Connections' Resource Library.

### IWK Telethon

Tune in to the IWK Telethon on Saturday *June 3* and Sunday *June 4* to hear about the amazing children at the IWK.

### Individual Program Events:

#### Northern Region

Annapolis Pride n' Joy Childcare, Wilmot – Family Day, *May 28*. Preschool Graduation, *June 16*. Open House, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 765-8430.

Bright Beginnings Child Care Centre, Amhurst – Parent meeting, *June 5*. Parents will be informed of agencies in the community that support children and families. For more info. call (902) 667-7857.

Children's Place Day Care Centre, Antigonish – Graduation, *June 12*. For more info. call (902) 863-4570.

Little Wonders Child Care Centre (Pictou & College Rd.), Truro – Sponsoring Al Bernard to perform at the "Family Fun in the Park" event, *June 9*. Fun Day which includes activities such as a bouncy tent, pizza and face painting, *June 19*. For more info. call (902) 895-2745.

Ponderosa Play and Learn After School Program, Antigonish – Fun Day, *June 3*. For more info. call (902)863-4975.

Windsor Day Care Centre, Windsor – Walk-a-thon to promote CCAD and celebrate their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, *June 17*. For more info. call (902) 798-2001.

#### Eastern Region:

Ashby Preschool, Sydney – Safety Week, *June 5 to 9*. End of the year party, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 539-7323.

Jewels & Gems Day Care Centre, Glace Bay- Backyard BBQ for children and

parents, date TBA. More info. call (902)849-1989.

#### Western Region

Boys & Girls Club of Yarmouth Day Care Centre, Yarmouth – Annual yard sale, BBQ and bake sale, *June 10*. For more info. call (902) 742-9103.

Digby Pre-School Co-op and Learning Grove Child Care Centre, Digby – Walk-a-thon, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 245-5780.

Happy Whale After-School Care & Preschool Programs, Kentville – Year-end closing with parents, *June* (date TBA). For more info. call (902) 678-9400.

Little People's Place of Shelburne, Shelburne – Walk-a-thon parade and fundraiser through town, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 875-3774.

Middleton & District Day Care Centre, Middleton – Chinese Auction, *June 17*. Walk-a-thon, date TBA. Other events, such as a Parade, Fun Fair/BBQ and an Open House, will be taking place throughout the summer. For more info. call (902) 825-6513.

Ocean View Children's Centre, Hubbards – Annual wiener roast for parents and children, *June 15*. For more info. call (902) 275-3334.

Small World Learning Centre, Bridgewater – Family Picnic, *June 11*. Entering a float in the Bridgewater Parade during Exhibition week, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 543-9840.

Stepping Stone Preschool and Childcare Centre, Kingston – BBQ and Family Dance, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 847-0310.

Through The Years Community Day Care Centre, Hubbards – Family Fun Fair and Graduation, *June 25*. For more info. call 857-1777.

#### Central Region:

Akerley Child Care Centre, Dartmouth – Held a Mother's Day Tea on May 12. Family walk-a-

thon, *May 28*. Family Picnic, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 491-3590.

Building the Future Children's Centre, Dartmouth – Family Social, date TBA. More info. call 435-3585

Happy Hallow Preschool, Halifax – Preschool Graduation, *June 15*. Family BBQ, date TBA. For more info. call (902) 455-8268.

Kids 'R' Kids Day Care Inc., Halifax- Family Breakfast, *June 7*. Family Fun Day and Graduation, *June 14*. For more info. call (902) 450-5437.

Peter Green Hall Children's Centre, Halifax – Hosting the EC Conference, *June 9 & 10*. For more info. call (902) 494-1747.

Play To Learn Day Care, Halifax- Graduation, date TBA. For more info. call 454-9822.

Shearwater Children's Centre, Shearwater – Second annual staff retreat at Falls Lake Cabins, *June 10 & 11*. Staff will be recognized for their dedication and hard work. Decorate-a-door contest. Winner will be announced on *June 9*. For more info. call (902) 720-2004

#### Pictures

If you happen to take any pictures during your CCAD events please send some our way. We are looking for pictures to include in our binder and would love to see what you have been up to!

#### **Regional Coordinators:**

Call your regional coordinator with any CCAD questions or needs.

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