



# Minnetonka

## May Newsletter

### Minnetonka Centre News

During spring break we had a day of "what can we build with our blocks" which was a success. We collected random sized boxes and we all had fun building all sorts of things. We had a dinosaur, a cave, a city, a tree with monkeys, a bed, and many different towers to break down. They continue to have fun using their imaginations daily with these boxes.



### Reminders

- ✓ Please remember to send extra clothing (labeled) to the Centre.
- ✓ Check out our Facebook page (Adventure Time With Teachers) for more information about our days daycare and photos of our adventures.

### Important Dates & Events

- Apr 25-May 1 Week of the ECE
- May 9 Happy Mother's Day
- May 25 **CLOSED** for Victoria Day

### Minnetonka Birthdays



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|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Apr 3  | Micah   | May 9  | Layne |
| Apr 17 | Owen    | May 16 | Kyrie |
| Apr 23 | Daycare |        |       |
| Apr 29 | Dawne   |        |       |

### Did you know...

Village Child Care (Minnetonka location) is turning 14 years old on April 23!

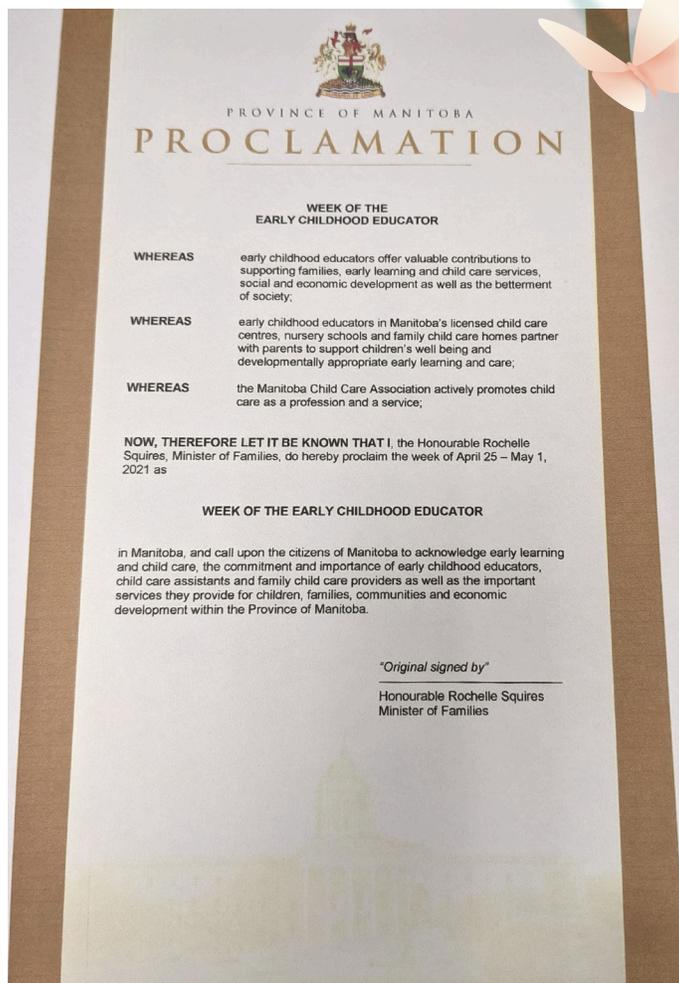
Chantal will be celebrating her 14 year anniversary on April 23!

# Week of the Early Childhood Educator

## History

The Week of the Early Childhood Educator was established by MCCA in 1992, following the release of the national Caring for a Living Study. The celebration is intended to recognize the valuable work of those who “care for a living” by providing early childhood education, family support, and a service that contributes to the social and economic development of our province. It has been proclaimed annually by the Minister of Family Services, Government of Manitoba.

Whether you work in an early learning and child care centre or a family child care home the Week of the ECE is a celebration of the important work we do with children and their families.



## Recipe of the Month Orange Crush Muffins

Lisa would like to share her Orange Crush Muffins recipe. She would make these muffins for our Annual Mother's Day Celebration. Unfortunately we are unable to celebrate this year.

### Ingredients

- 1½ Cups flour
- ¼ Cup brown sugar
- ¼ White sugar
- 2 Tsp baking powder
- 1 Tsp orange rind
- ½ Tsp salt
- ½ Tsp cinnamon
- 1 Egg
- ½ Cup oil
- ½ Cup milk

### Directions

Mix all the dry ingredients in a bowl (flour, salt, baking powder, cinnamon). Mix all other ingredients (sugars, orange rind, egg, oil & milk). Mix together – fill tins ½ full – top with topping and bake 15-20 minutes at 400. (Makes about 1 dozen in medium size cupcakes liners)

### Toppings

- ½ cup nuts (optional) (Lisa uses Almond slivers)
- ½ cup brown sugar
- ¼ cup flour
- 3 tbsps margarine

While still hot, drizzle with glaze made of:

- ¾ cup icing sugar
- 1 tsp margarine or oil

Orange juice to make thin icing (1 juice of the orange used for the rind)

## *Activity of the Month*

# The Best Baking Soda & Vinegar Experiment

You've got to try this fun twist on an easy science experiment!

[BUSYTODDLER.COM/2015/10/FIZZY-FUN](http://BUSYTODDLER.COM/2015/10/FIZZY-FUN)



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# Artists of the Month

Brianne has been busy making egg art with the children.

