

Resource Links

Children's Health

Articles from About Kids Health

Let's talk summer and warm fall-time weather! Find out how to recognize, treat and prevent insect bites and stings and when to seek medical attention. Learn how to protect your child's skin by avoiding harsh sunlight, dressing them in suitable clothes and using sunscreen properly. Learn how to keep children safe in or around water.

<https://www.aboutkidshealth.ca/Article?contentid=308&language=English>

<https://www.aboutkidshealth.ca/Article?contentid=800&language=English>

<https://www.aboutkidshealth.ca/Article?contentid=1968&language=English>

Regulations Amending the Toys Regulations (Magnetic Toys): SOR/2018-138

While magnetic children's toys had been popular for decades and used without magnet-related health or safety concerns, around 2003 there was a proliferation in the use of small powerful magnets in toys.

Please see link and article to learn how to check the safety of your magnetic toys.

<http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2018/2018-07-11/html/sor-dors138-eng.html>

The Need for Ergonomic Furniture in Schools

School children are at risk of suffering from wrong sitting posture in the classroom. Typically, students spend around 8 hours in classrooms and a wrong posture is bound to have serious implications. Studies have revealed that 8 out of 10 children sit in chair and desk combinations that are not appropriate.

<http://www.woodsurniture.com.au/infographic/need-for-ergonomic-furniture-in-schools/?msID=14593933-ee98-438e-b821-ac72589003bf>

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Educating the Heart

Great resource for social emotion learning supports for children.

<https://dalailamacenter.org/>

Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL)

At CASEL it is their mission is to help make evidence-based social and emotional learning (SEL) an integral part of education from preschool through high school. CASEL and our broad network of collaborators are working together to turn momentum for SEL into a national movement. A great resource to support SEL in your children.

<https://casel.org/>

Strategies for Communicating with Parents When a Child is Stressed

When you notice that a child is experiencing a period of stress, the first thing you want to do is discuss it with the child's parents. This conversation can be challenging, as content can be misunderstood on both sides. Here's great strategies to try:

<https://www.himama.com/blog/strategies-for-communicating-with-parents-when-a-child-is-stressed>

Outdoor Play

Two new textbooks are furthering an Okanagan College researcher's efforts to inspire Canada's early childhood educators to embrace the benefits of outdoor play for Canadian children.

https://www.kelownanow.com/watercooler/news/news/Central_Okanagan/

[Okanagan College researcher s new works put outdoor play in Canadian context/](#)

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Online ECE Professional Development Training

Early Childhood Investigations Webinar: Using Loose Parts to Create Cultural Sustainable Environments, by Miriam Beloglovsky and Lisa Daly

Learning Objectives:

1. Define how loose parts support children's culture, identity, traditions and history.
 2. Appraise the importance of creating culturally sustainable spaces for young children and families.
 3. Design spaces that reflects the culture, history, language and traditions of all children.
- Develop relationships with families and communities through mutual respect and understanding.

<https://www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/presentations/using-loose-parts-create-cultural-sustainable-environments-miriam-beloglovsky-lisa-daly/>

Early Childhood Investigations Webinar: Talking with Babies: Infant Directed Speech and the Role of Early Educators, by Dr. Kathy Hirsh-Pasek

Baby talk can sound silly, but there's an important place for all types of vocal exchanges with infants and toddlers in early childhood settings. In fact, the verbal interactions caregivers and educators have with infants and toddlers are critical factors in cognitive and language development, along with social-emotional development and relationship-building

<https://www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/presentations/talking-with-babies-infant-directed-speech-and-the-role-of-early-educators-by-kathy-hirsh-pasek/>

For ECE Managers: Charity Village—Free Webinar—Networking without Butterflies

Does the idea of networking fill your stomach with butterflies? Join our **free webinar** and learn new tools and strategies to help you approach networking in a more confident and organized manner.

Topic: Networking without the Butterflies

Date: Thursday, August 23 at 1pm Eastern Time / 10am Pacific Time (one hour)

Cost: Free - To register go to this link <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1572928740331711489>

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News from the Government of BC

CHILD CARE BC Caring for Kids, Lifting Up Families: Our made-in-B.C. plan will give our kids a head start and help families get ahead.

Budget 2018 is investing a billion dollars into child care – the biggest investment in B.C. history – to deliver swift relief for tens of thousands of families and help us lay the foundation for a universal, affordable child care plan that will benefit British Columbians for decades to come.

By bringing fees down for parents, building more licensed spaces, and working to support and increase the number of qualified Early Childhood Educators we are taking the first important steps towards universal child care.

<https://workingforyou.gov.bc.ca/childcare/>

Child Care Maintenance Fund Triples, Now Open to Family Providers:

For the first time, licensed family, in-home multi-age, and private-group child care providers throughout British Columbia will be able to access minor repair and replacement funds, and relocation funds.

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018CFD0047-001192>

Province improves access to early childhood education training online

More students around the province will soon have access to online training opportunities to become early childhood educators, thanks to an expansion of the program offered through the faculty of education at the University of British Columbia.

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018AEST0096-001414>

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Start-Up Grants For the Creation of Licensed Family and In-Home Multi-Age Child Care

The Province is seeking applications from eligible individuals interested in creating new licensed Family and In-Home Multi-Age Child Care spaces in B.C. communities.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/caring-for-young-children/running-daycare-preschool/start-up-grants?keyword=Childcare&keyword=grant>

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