

February 2012

Hours of Operation

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Best Start Hub ~ Holy Angels School</u> 102-A Wellington Street East Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Closed daily from 12 Noon to 1:00 p.m. EVENING HOURS: Wednesday 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Best Start Hub ~ Child Care Algoma</u> 148 Dacey Road Monday 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. EVENING HOURS: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Closed weekdays from 12 Noon to 1:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.</p>
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 Best Start Hub SSM			<p>1 Language ~ Story Time and Craft "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" ~ Story String 1:30 p.m. Adventures in Art 9:30 a.m. Story Time "Mama, Do You Love Me?" 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>2 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play® 10:00 a.m. Sensory Fun ~ Budding Scientists 2:00 p.m. Groundhog and Shadow Art Activity 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Music and Movement 11:15 a.m. Yoga 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>3 Mini Chefs ~ Ants on a Log 1:30 p.m. Craft Creations 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. & 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Health & Wellness ~ Tai Chi for Children 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>4 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play 10:30 a.m.</p>
<p>6 Social Skills ~ Kids Cooking Creations 10:00 a.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. FI-BOCC® 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. Parent Connection ~ Parents of Twins or More® 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Yoga 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>7 Mom & Baby Yoga® 10:00 a.m. Gross Motor ~ Balance Beam 2:00 p.m. Just for Dads ~ Drop-in 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Jigga Jump 11:00 a.m. Drumming for Development 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>8 Language ~ Story Time and Craft "The Mitten" 1:30 p.m. Family Nights Drop-In 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Adventures in Art 9:30 a.m. Story Time "How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You?" 2:00 p.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>9 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play® 10:00 a.m. Triple P® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Sensory Fun ~ Budding Scientists 2:00 p.m. Family Math® 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Music and Movement 11:15 a.m.</p>	<p>10 Mini Chefs ~ Fruit Kabobs 1:30 p.m. Dacey CLOSED for the afternoon. Join us at Best Start Hub ~ Holy Angels School Drop-In Playgroup 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>11 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play 10:30 a.m.</p>	
<p>13 Social Skills ~ Kids Cooking Creations 10:00 a.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. La Leche League ~ 1:30 p.m. FI-BOCC® 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. Yoga 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>14 Mom & Baby Yoga® 10:00 a.m. Heart-Shaped Hand Print Valentine 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Gross Motor ~ Parachute 2:00 p.m. Valentine's Day Family Dinner® 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Social Skills ~ Friendship Fiesta! 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. & 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Jigga Jump 11:00 a.m. Drumming for Development 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>15 Language ~ Story Time and Craft "Brown Bear, Brown Bear" 1:30 p.m. Family Nights Drop-In 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Adventures in Art 9:30 a.m. Story Time "I Like Myself" 2:00 p.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>16 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play® 10:00 a.m. Triple P® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Sensory Fun ~ Budding Scientists 2:00 p.m. Family Math® 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Music and Movement 11:15 a.m.</p>	<p>17 Mini Chefs ~ Cheese Quesadillas 1:30 p.m. Craft Creations 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. & 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Health & Wellness ~ Tai Chi for Children 2:00 p.m. Drop-In Playgroup 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>18 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play 10:30 a.m.</p>	
<p>CLOSED for</p> 	<p>21 Mom & Baby Yoga® 10:00 a.m. Gross Motor ~ Hula Hoops 2:00 p.m. Jigga Jump 11:00 a.m. Drumming for Development 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>22 Language ~ Story Time and Craft "Love You Forever" ~ Feet Butterflies 1:30 p.m. Family Nights Drop-In 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Adventures in Art 9:30 a.m. Story Time "I Love You Mouse" 2:00 p.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>23 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play® 10:00 a.m. Triple P® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Sensory Fun ~ Budding Scientists 2:00 p.m. Music and Movement 11:15 a.m.</p>	<p>24 Mini Chefs ~ S'mores 1:30 p.m. Dacey CLOSED for the afternoon. Join us at Best Start Hub ~ Holy Angels School. Drop-In Playgroup 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>25 Kylie Mae ~ Let's Sing & Play 10:30 a.m.</p>	
<p>27 Social Skills ~ Kids Cooking Creations 10:00 a.m. 1..2..3 to Literacy® 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Yoga 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>28 Gross Motor ~ Exercises 2:00 p.m. Jigga Jump 11:00 a.m. Drumming for Development 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>29 Language ~ Story Time and Craft "Sadie and the Snowman" ~ Snowman Counting Book 1:30 p.m. Family Nights Drop-In 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Adventures in Art 9:30 a.m. Story Time "Guess How Much I Love You" 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Best Start Hub ~ Holy Angels School (705) 942-6008</p> <p>Best Start Hub ~ Child Care Algoma (705) 945-8898 extension 246</p> <p>Best Start Hub ~ Community Outreach (705) 945-8898 extension 267</p> <p>Carrefour Meilleur départ 942-5343</p>			

Book Based Curriculum ~

“The Mitten”, “Brown Bear, Brown Bear”, “Love You Forever”, and “Sadie and the Snowman”.

Learning Activity Package of the Month ~

“Stella Queen of the Snow”

Your child can enhance their literacy skills as they engage in a variety of activities related to the story. For more information or to borrow call 705-942-6008.

Monday

Social Skills ~ Kids Cooking Creations ~ 10:00 a.m.
Children learn by touching, tasting, feeling, smelling, and listening.

La Leche League Canada ~ Sault Ste. Marie Group
February 13 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Come visit with a group of supportive moms and have your breastfeeding questions answered.
Babies and Toddlers welcome!
Contact Kyla at 253-6921 or Jennifer at 256-1406.

Tuesday

Gross Motor ~ 2:00 p.m.
February 7 ~ Balance Beam
February 14 ~ Parachute
February 21 ~ Hula Hoops
February 28 ~ Exercises
Have a Ball Together! Parents and children participate in active play ~ Run! Jump! and Dance! It’s fun and easy to be active with children.

Just for Dads Drop-In
February 7 ~ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Just for Dads is designed for the benefit of fathers and focuses on the most important role fathers play as educators and mentors in the lives of their children.

Heart - Shaped Hand Print Valentine
February 14 ~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Create these fun Valentines for your friends and family.



Valentine’s Day Family Dinner ®
February 14 ~ 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Make Valentine’s Day a family affair and join us for a family dinner.
Registration required.

Wednesday

Language ~ Story Time & Craft ~ 1:30 p.m.
Our children's books make learning to read fun!

“Family Nights” Drop-in ~ 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Enjoy games, crafts, and a parent/child circle time every Wednesday night.

Thursday

Sensory Fun ~ Budding Scientists ~ 2:00 p.m.
Simple science activities for children as they explore the world around them.

Friday

Mini Chefs ~ 1:30 p.m.
February 2 ~ Ants on a Log
February 10 ~ Fruit Kabobs
February 17 ~ Cheese Quesadillas
February 24 ~ S’mores
The fun side of food through hands-on activities.

Workshops and Programs

Parent Connection ~ Parents of Twins or More
February 6 ~ 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Parent discussion and support for families raising multiples or pregnant with multiples.
Registration required.

Kylie Mae ~ Let’s Sing & Play
January 12 to February 16 ~ 10:00 a.m.
February 23 to March 29 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Music has the capability to develop your child’s language, math, literacy skills, and so much more! Join this parent/child interactive program that is fun for all ages!
Registration required.


Family Math
January 12 to February 16 ~ 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
A six week interactive program for families who would like their children to experience success in math.
Registration required.

Father Involvement ~ Building Our Children’s Character
February 6 & 13 ~ 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.
The FI-BOCC Program is designed exclusively to support fathers toward a common parenting goal; developing healthy, happy, and resilient children.
Registration required.

Mom and Baby Yoga ~ Babies 10 weeks to 6 months
January 17 to February 21 ~ 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.
This six week program will nurture and strengthen your body and your relationship with your baby through gentle techniques for calmness, happiness, and mother-child bonding!
Registration required.

1..2..3 to Literacy
February 6 to March 12 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
A parent/child interactive six week program offering fun and educational activities to promote children’s language and early literacy skills.
Registration required.

Infant Massage
This five week program offers parents a stimulating form of touch that nourishes the relationship between parent and child. Intended for infants 0 to 6 months.
Registration required.

 **Triple P ~ Positive Parenting Program**
Small changes, big differences.
February 9, 16, 23 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Registration required.
Call the Parent Child Information Line (705) 541-7101

Book Based Curriculum ~

“Mama, Do You Love Me?”, “How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You?”, “I Like Myself”, “I Love You Mouse”, and “Guess How Much I Love You”.

Monday

Yoga for Whole Child Development ~ 2:00 p.m.

The Yoga for Whole Child Development program offers children the use of props, imaginative poses, and games to develop strong bodies, respect, and love for themselves and others.

Tuesday

Jigga Jump ~ 11:00 a.m.

Daily physical activity is a great way to have fun as a family, while establishing an active lifestyle.

Drumming for Development ~ 1:30 p.m.

An interactive activity which has a positive effect on social behaviour, self-expression, self-esteem, and gross motor skills.

Friendship Fiesta!

February 14 ~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
 Celebrate love and friendship by making your own unique valentines, enjoying heart-y snacks and sharing friendship stories.

Wednesday

Adventures in Art! ~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Art activities which encourage creative expression, imagination, joyfulness, and a love of learning!

Story Time ~ 2:00 p.m.

Develop children’s language and literacy skills through reading, songs, and rhymes.

Thursday

Music & Movement ~ 11:15 a.m.

Music has a positive effect on social behaviours, self-expression, self-esteem, and auditory development.

Yoga for Whole Child Development ~ 2:00 p.m.

The Yoga for Whole Child Development program offers children the use of props, imaginative poses, and games to develop strong bodies, respect, and love for themselves and others.

Groundhog and Shadow Art Activity

February 2 ~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

This art activity will introduce children to the concept of light and shadow and the story of Groundhog Day.

Friday

Craft Creations

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. & 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Parents and children will enjoy this co-creative art experience!

Health & Wellness ~ Tai Chi for Children ~ 2:00 p.m.

Children will learn the basic elements of Tai Chi to improve balance, concentration, flexibility, focus, and attention.

Saturday

Kylie Mae ~ Let’s Sing & Play ~ 10:30 a.m.

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Best Start Hub
 Connecting Children and Families with Community Services and Schools

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JOIN OUR TEAM!!

The Best Start Hub Parent Advisory Committee will share ideas and suggestions on programs and services that offer young children the opportunity for healthy development and the best start in life.

For more information please call Diana at 945-8898 ext. 248

Gerri McKiddie
 Parent Advisory Committee Representative

Diana Taranto
 Early Years Program Coordinator

Best Start Hub ~ Community Outreach

Offering children and their families a place to meet, to learn, and to grow.
Our services are FREE and WELCOMING to all!
Fridays ~ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at
Willowgrove United Church, 55 Tilley Road
For more information please call 705-945-8898 ext. 267

Programs and Community Services

Car Seat Clinic

November 3 and 17 at the #1 Fire Hall
(Corner of Tancred and Bay Street)
Provides installation of car seats by trained professionals.
Appointment is required by calling 705-541-7101.

1..2..3 to Literacy

January 11 to February 15 ~ 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
(Sault Ste. Marie Public Library)
A parent/child interactive six week program offering fun and educational activities to promote children’s language and early literacy skills.
Registration required.

Clothing Swap Shop ~ In-service

Participate in our children’s clothing closet swap shop & put your name in for our monthly food draw.

Father Involvement ~

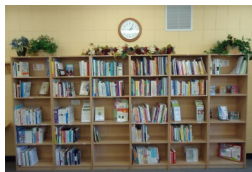
Building Our Children’s Character

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**Access to Community Resources
102-A Wellington Street East
705-942-6008**

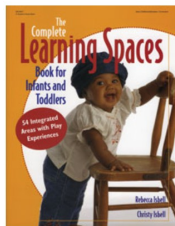
Early Years Resource Library

The Early Years Resource Library is a collection of resources for parents, caregivers and professionals. Fill out your free membership and start borrowing today!



Feature of the Month:

“The Complete Learning Spaces Book for Infants and Toddlers”



Die Press Machine ~ Your Partner in Creativity

The Ellison Die Press Machine helps eliminate the endless hours of cutting with scissors. Our wide variety of die press shapes will assist you in enhancing each project you are creating. The Ellison Die Press Machine is free for the public to use. Please visit Child Care Algoma’s website for the Inventory List.



Learning Activity Packages ~L.A.P.

The Learning Activity Packages are readiness to learn activities that build on children’s skills and knowledge to provide the best opportunity for them to succeed in school.

L.A.P. of the Month: “Stella Queen of the Snow”

To borrow any of our Learning Activity Packages or for more information please call 705-942-6008.



Parenting Matters Newsletter

The Parenting Matters Newsletter provides information on parent/child interactive programs, parent and caregiver education programs, community services and seasonal/special events.

