

Summer 2011



The Importance of Early Childhood Development

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What is Early Childhood Development, and why is it important ?

- Early Childhood Development(ECD) refers to a range of physical, social and emotional qualities that are developing during a young child’s life.
- Early Childhood Development (ECD) is not a program or service but an understanding of when, how and why young children grow and change in the ways that they do.

Early Childhood Development (ECD) depends on many factors; a healthy and supportive community, environment and family. These all have a profound effect on a child's immediate development that can last into adult hood.



Find out more interesting information and resources in your community by visiting our website.

www.kidsnewwest.ca

How can you become involved in Early Childhood Development in New Westminister?

- Visit any of the ECD programs and services in our community as a participant or volunteer.
- Join the New Westminister ECD Parent Advisory Committee to meet other parents and participate in planning activities, workshops and community events for families with young children in New Westminister. Contact Pat Davison at 604 525 9144.
- Join one of the New Westminister ECD ‘Action Teams’ that is of specific interest to you. Contact Karen Corcionne at 604 660 9495.

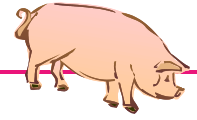


If you have any questions or topic you would like to see discussed in our newsletter, please e-mail pmdavison@fsgv.ca

The BC Council for Families is here to support you and your family as you grow and change



We've got the tools and the programs to strengthen your family life. Today. Looking for information? Got questions? Want to share your joys and frustrations with other parents? Rely on us as a source of dependable, current information and advice. Go check out www.bccf.ca/families



Sun Fun with New Westminster Family Place



SUITE #101-93 6th St. New Westminster Tel: 604 520 3666

Sun Fun at the Parks: On Thursdays in July and August we take our program to various City Parks. Join us for outdoor fun from 10:00am-2:00 pm (weather permitting). If it is raining we will have our regular drop-in at Family Place . Bring a lunch, water bottle, sunscreen and hat. Some parks have a spray park or wading pool so bring a bathing suit and towel.

Check out our website for more information: www.nwfamily.bc.ca

- July 21st at Moody Park
- July 28th at Sapperton Park
- August 4th at Grimston Park
- August 11th at Moody Park
- August 18th at Sapperton Park
- August 25th at Queens Park



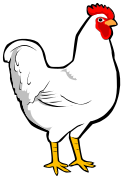
QUEEN'S PARK PETTING FARM

Our unique petting farm provides summer accommodation for just about every barn yard animal you can imagine - rabbits, chickens, goats, pigs, calves, ducks, bunnies and more! Direct contact between people and animals makes our farm a special experience. Our friendly farmer is always on-hand to introduce you to the animals.

Open daily, May 21 - September 5

10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Admission by donation



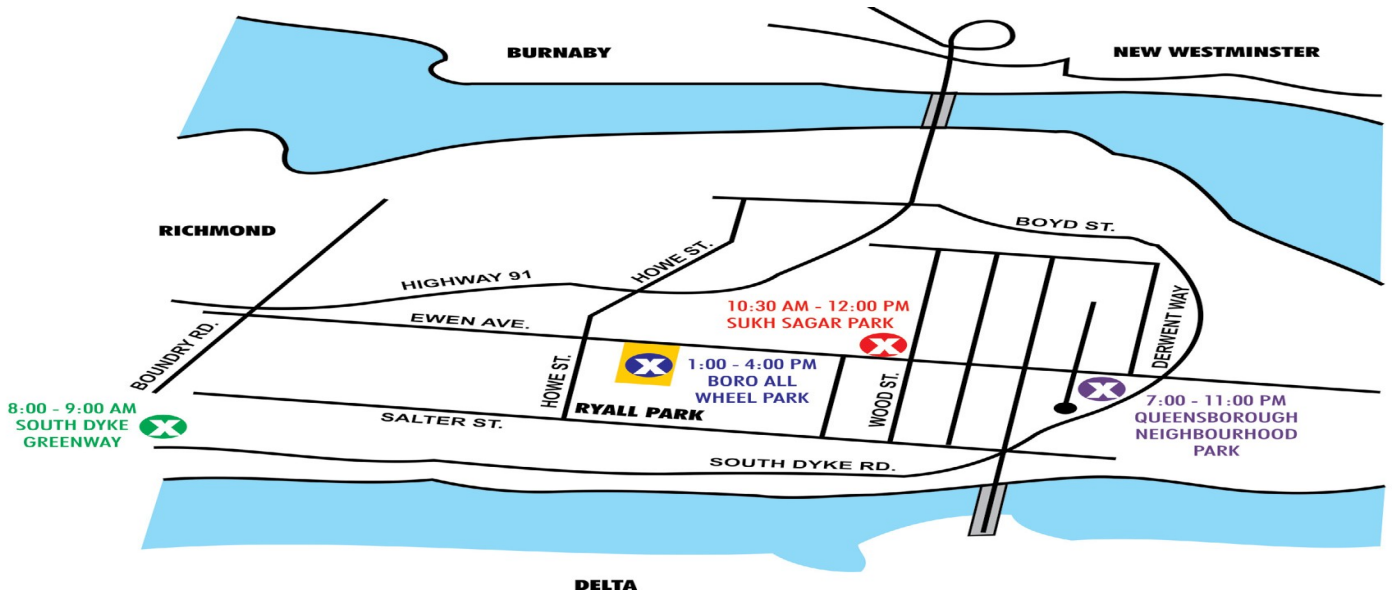
Queensborough Parks and Trails

Ryall Park features many athletic and family opportunities including Megan's Place Playground. There is a Spray park and Adventure playground, Picnic shelter and area and Washrooms.

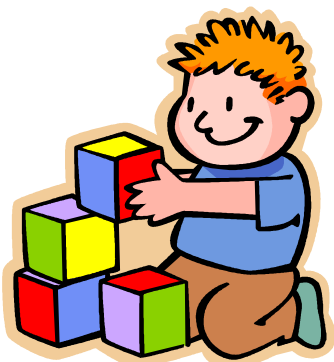
- Wednesday Entertainment :
- July 20th 1: 00pm - Magician Tricky Ricky
 - July 27th 1: 00pm - Singer Bobby Boogaloo
 - August 10th 1:00pm - Children's Entertainer Go Go Bonkers



You don't have to go too far , go check out the new Parks and Trails in Queensborough



New Westminster Parks and Recreation: Welcome to Tiny Tot Playtime, Programs for Sept 2011 - June 2012 for children 3-5 years



Tiny Tot Playtime is a play program with a purpose! Children learn through play. Our program is designed to help your tot become happy and confident. Through play, games and group activities children will develop the social, fine motor control and communication skills that help prepare them for school.

Our qualified recreational preschool instructors value children and strive to make the program a fun and enjoyable experience. This is an exciting time for your child to experience new friends, discover the wonders of their imagination and gain new independence.

Kids and Play



We've structured our program with a focus on fun! Our Playtime rooms are set up with many creative activities for children to explore. We incorporate group activities and individual play, as well as structured and unstructured activities that challenge and stimulate little minds and bodies.



Our activities include crafts, painting, books, storytelling, puzzles, interactive games and musical activities. We have developed special areas for building, sand and water play and kitchen modules that let children experience new activities and explore their imaginations.

For more information check out our website: www.newwestpcr.ca



Burnaby Summer Theatre-Free Public Performances



Burnaby Summer Theatre Troupe

Presents: SELERA and the Temple Of Zoom

Burnaby Village Museum

Thursdays @ 12pm, 1pm and 2pm

July 7 – Aug 11

6501 Deer Lake Avenue Burnaby

When her mother gets bitten by a spider, Selera, the girl who can run faster than anything, sets out on a journey to the Temple of Zoom on the Island of Gorlinga to find the only cure. Meeting strange creatures and traveling across new lands, can she save her mother before it's too late?



Bill Copeland Community Centre

July 19 @ 10:30am

3676 Kensington Avenue Burnaby

In this epic interactive adventure, Selera makes new friends, overcomes obstacles, and finds out that she

can't run from everything.



Cameron Rec. Complex – July 26 @ 11:30am

9523 Cameron Street Burnaby

New Westminster Public Library – August 9

@ 10:30am

Cameray Child and Family



Parent Support Program

Prevention and early intervention services to parents and parents-to-be to increase a family's knowledge and skills for effective parenting to strengthen family resiliency.

Individual counselling and group training modules. For parents with children aged 0 - 5. Referrals from any source.

Check out our Summer calendar at www.cameray.ca



Burnaby Village Museum and Farm Market

The Museum is Celebrating 40 years
 Summer Season - Tuesday to Sunday plus
 Statutory holidays 11:00am - 4:30pm
 Gate Admission is Free

Stroll down the streets of our 1920s community. Visit businesses and homes, explore on your own or join a guided tour.

Take a whirl on the historic 1912 C.W. Parker Carousel, check out the gift shop and enjoy lunch in the ice-cream parlour.

Through a series of photo stories take a journey through our 40-year history.



Don't forget your camera to capture your own history!

This summer is packed with fun! Don't forget to visit the Farmers' Market every Saturday (May-Oct) 9am-2pm for quality products.

22nd Annual Hyack Fraser Fest



The Arts Council brings you "Flora of the Fraser", a fun filled workshop which members of any age group can enjoy

July 23rd and July 24th

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Two fun filled days with games, shows and activities for all ages



Come celebrate the Fraser River on the Boardwalk at New Westminster Quay. Check out the sights, sounds and special features that are brought in by Hyack Festival Association.

The Mascot Parade is for the kids to meet and take pictures with their favourite characters in person. Then the Grand Finale of Fraser Fest, the Workboat Parade showcases the Fraser's working vessels.



Closing with Fireworks Sat. Night

BC Hydro Aquavan visits Fraser Fest on Saturday

Featuring live animals, props and activities to entertain visitors who can touch a sea star, observe a hermit crab up close and much more.

