



JANAURY 2018

Provider Newsletter

Note Worthy

Activity Plan:

WILD ANINMALS

Closure Days:

Monday, January 1 2018

Meeting:

*Provider Appreciation
Night*

Tuesday January 23 2018

6:30 pm at Korner Kitchen



Happy New Year!!!! We hope everyone had a great holiday season.

Provider Appreciation Night

We will be hosting our annual Provider Appreciation Night at Korner Kitchen - 230 12A St. North (just north of the office on the west side of the street) at 6:30 pm.

Please email odysseychildcare@outlook.com by January 15, 2018 to confirm you are able to come.

REMINDERS

1. All subbing needs to go through the office. If you want to suggest another Provider that is fine but the office needs to make the arrangements. We need to know where the children are at all times when they are in care. We also know the preferences of the parents and where they prefer their children to be subbed.
2. Anyone over the age of 18 years spending a significant amount of time in the home or living in the home needs to have a completed criminal record check and CYM check completed **BEFORE** they are in the home. If you have any questions please call the office.
3. **Our Licensing Officer should be out again in January. She had 2 more day homes to review. Take some extra time after the holidays to make sure that everything is in place.**
4. We have divided accidents and incidents in to separate forms as well as added a new form to document information that the children and/or parents share with you that you think may be important. The forms have been approved by our Licensing Officer and should be on the website but the end of the week. They are pretty self-explanatory but call the office or talk to your consultant if you have any questions.
5. The meeting dates for 2018 were sent out to Providers last week and they will also be posted on the website by the end of the week.
6. The website is odysseychildcare.com and the password is SD2458.
7. There is a large number of Providers who need to renew their first aid in February. The office will be setting up a first aid course in February, if you can't make that one you will be responsible for finding a renewal on your own.

I AM ENOUGH OF A
REALIST TO
UNDERSTAND THAT
I CAN'T REACH
EVERY CHILD, BUT I
AM MORE OF AN
OPTIMIST TO GET
UP EVERY MORNING
AND TRY.

CITY OF LETHBRIDGE EVENTS

Playstations – UnPlugged January 3rd 2018. Starts: 10:00 AM. Ends: 4:00 PM Location: Helen Schuler Nature Centre. Fun activity stations set up for you & your family to enjoy. Everyone is Welcome! Free! Drop-in at the Nature Centre! Website: <http://www.lethbridge.ca/hsnc>. Contact: Helen Schuler Nature Centre. Phone: 403-320-3064. Email: hsnc@lethbridge.ca

Foodfit Classes – Free January 9 2018. Starts: 5:30 PM. Ends: 8:30 PM. Location: Interfaith Food Bank. Free 12 week program in partnership with Community Food Centre Canada and Public Health Canada. This program is on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:30 pm starting on January 9th and running until March 27th. Preregistration is required. FoodFit is a program initiative at Community Food Centres Canada designed to bring low-income community members together to set goals, learn skills, and make measurable changes in overall health and fitness. The goal of the FoodFit program is to have community members who are better nourished, more active, less socially isolated, with an improved ability to make personal changes towards a healthier lifestyle. Over 12 week sessions, FoodFit groups are immersed in the areas of food skills, nutrition knowledge, and physical activity. FoodFit Alumni groups offer graduates the opportunity for ongoing program and social supports for maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Contact: Rudeen. Phone: 403 320 8779. Email: rudeen@interfaithfoodbank.ca

Herb Gardens January 11 2018. Starts: 7:00 PM- Ends: 9:00 PM. Location: Galt Museum & Archives. Create a miniature herb garden you can keep in your kitchen year round. Find out about the historical use of herbs as well as what herbs are local to southern Alberta. Galt Workshops | hands-on history | admission applies | free to annual passholders | adults & seniors. Website: http://galtmuseum.com/programs_-_adult-and-family?p=0&action=event&subaction=category&ID=17. Contact: Graham Ruttan. Phone: 4033203898. Email: graham.ruttan@galtmuseum.com