

Horizons Children's

Notes From Sherolyn



Welcome fall and all its pretty colours. We are enjoying the extra splash of heat as we close out September and welcome October. It has also been great getting to know all our new families. If you have not yet picked up a key card for the door system they are available in the office. It is a \$10 deposit per card which can be paid in person or added into your billing.

Thank you to all the families that attended our parent night on sleep. I hope you all got some valuable tools and resources to help with your child. Hayley was very knowledgeable and willing to share first hand experiences. If you are wanting to reach out to Hayley personally Shannon has shared her contact information in the parent app.

This month the staff will be taking 2 full days of training which will focus on the importance of care in early childhood education. Honoring the sacredness of the skills it requires to work with children, through meaningful discussions, personal reflections and hands on activities we will explore how care, connection and leadership intersect to shape a profession that both nurtures children and responds to the needs of the 21st century. We will be closed Friday October 17th for day one of this professional development opportunity.

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Autumn is a gentle reminder
that **changes** can be beautiful

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BULLETIN BOARD



The centre will be **CLOSED MONDAY OCTOBER 13th** for Thanksgiving day and **FRIDAY OCTOBER 17th** for a professional development day.

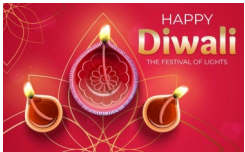


SCHOLASTIC

Each month we will be putting scholastic book order forms in your child's locker. This allows parents to go online and order books for your child and at the same time the centre gets a bonus bank to use. We use the bonus bank to buy books for the centre and equipment. I also try to wrap the books before placing them in lockers in case they are gifts or surprises. Thank you for your support! Our code to receive the bonus bank is RC152796.



Children are welcome to dress in costume or bring costumes on October 31st to celebrate Halloween. Each room will most likely have their own plans around the day so watch your child's bulletin board to see what they are doing.



Happy Diwali to all our families who will be celebrating this special day! Shubh Deepawali!

Hot Lunch

WEDNESDAY October 1

Noodles and sauce
Fruit and veggies
Milk

WEDNESDAY October 8

Chicken nuggets
Fruit and veggies
Milk

WEDNESDAY October 15

Fettuccine Alfredo
Fruit and veggies
Milk

WEDNESDAY October 22

Perogies and Garlic Sausage
Fruit and veggies
milk

WEDNESDAY October 29

Cheese Pizza
Fruit and Veggies
Milk

Executive Directors Report

Notes from Shannon

October 2025

What a wonderful Fall we are having! The children and staff have been enjoying the late September warmth, as we enjoy all of the new elements on our play yards and continue to explore our community parks, soaking up as much time in nature as possible before we need to get back into winter jackets, snow pants, mittens and boots!

A big thank you goes out to all of our families who came out to have a Family Photo Session in September! Thanks to your participation, we were able to raise \$1170.00 for Horizons programs.

Our currently running fundraiser is the Grey Cup Raffle Tickets!

As a Blue Bomber season ticket holder, I have simply taken them to the games, and been able to sell several packs of 10, however you do not need to be a football fan to purchase, or to sell these tickets, as it is first and foremost, a raffle! Tickets are \$5 each. The small stub at the end is where the purchaser fills in their contact information. The larger part, stays with the purchaser and the money and small stub are returned to the centre.

Prizes this year are \$100 for the correct score at the end of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters, or \$50 for the correct score in reverse. (I.e. If the correct score is 14 for the West, and 3 for the East, and that is what your ticket reads, you would win \$100. If your ticket reads 3 for the West and 14 for the East, you would win \$50!)

At the end of the game, any tickets with the correct final score win \$200, and the correct score in reverse will win \$100. Who doesn't like to win money? Please consider picking up a set of 10 tickets or more and try your luck in selling them to friends, family and colleagues in support of our programs!

How are you all enjoying Hot Lunch happening every week? We are using this as a way to determine if a full-time hot lunch program would be feasible for our centres, and will be sending out a survey by mid November via the Parent App, to determine family's interest. A hot lunch program would be much like the snack program. If you sign up, then you will be billed for the full billing period, each day, and lunch would be provided each day for your child, so it would not be a situation where you pick and choose days to register. As one of our pillars in our Strategic Plan, we want to ensure that we are fully investigating feasibility before proceeding!

We will also be sending out a survey in January 2026 to get your feedback on the new PARENT APP, both positive and negative, to determine if the app is meeting the needs of our parents as well as our staff, so please ensure that you are signed up for the app, and checking for these surveys and other important messages regularly! We know it is another app to monitor, but want to ensure that we are moving with technology, and meeting our parents needs effectively.

We would like to take this time to welcome some new faces at our sites! Welcome to Sarita, Samy and Pavreet, who are joining us in the Owls and Bisons rooms at Access, and to Marykate (2nd year student, Red River Polytech) Nerissa and Heather in the Hatchlings room at Hampton! We hope that you are feeling a part of this warm and wonderful Horizons community, and thank you for all that you do!

We are looking into new projects to tackle in 2026 at all three sites, now that the grant writing season is upon us, and hope to accomplish more items on our wish list in the year ahead!

As always, thank you for the gift of sharing in your children's lives!

"Just because I cannot see it, doesn't mean I can't believe it!" – Jack Skellington – Nightmare Before Christmas.

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Hot lunch pasta and sauce	2	3	4
5	6 Staff meeting 5:30pm.	7	8 Hot lunch Chicken nuggets	9	10	11
12	13 Centre closed Happy Thanksgiving	14	15 Hot lunch Fettuccine Alfredo	16	17 Centre closed professional development day	18
19	20 Happy Diwali 	21	22 Hot lunch Perogies and garlic sausage	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Hot lunch Cheese pizza	30	31 Happy Halloween!	

Please check out the regular closure dates for 2025. Mark your calendars and watch for updates throughout the year.

January 1, 2025	New Year's Day: Closed
February 17, 2025	Louis Riel Day: Closed
March 19th, 2025	Parent Night in Grace Auditorium 6-8pm
April 9th	*CENTRE CLOSSES 5PM*
April 18, 2025	Good Friday: Closed
April 28-2, 2025	Week of the Early Childhood Educator
May 2, 2025	Staff Professional Development: Closed
May 19, 2025	Victoria Day: Closed
May 21, 2025	Annual General meeting
June 19, 2025	Annual Family BBQ
June 30, 2025	**NEW** Closed (in lieu of Easter Monday)
July 1, 2025	Canada Day: Closed
August 4, 2025	Terry Fox Day: Closed
September 1, 2025	Labour Day: Closed
September 25, 2025	Parent night
September 30, 2025	Truth and Reconciliation Day : Closed
October 13, 2025	Thanksgiving Day: Closed
October 17, 2025	Staff Professional Development: Closed
November 11, 2025	Remembrance Day: Closed
December 12, 2025	Early Closure @ 12 noon for Staff Holiday Celebration
December 24, 2025	Christmas Eve: Early Closure 2:00 pm
December 25, 2025	Christmas Day: Closed
December 26, 2025	Boxing Day: Closed
Dec 31, 2025	New Year's Eve: Early Closure 4:00 pm
January 1, 2026	New Year's Day: Closed

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Hampton location
Billing Schedule 2025

Invoices go out this week	Invoices due and EFT pull	Fees for Period of:	
December 23/24	December 30/25	January 5– February 1	20250105
January 20/25	January 27/25	February 2– March 1	20250202
February 17/25	February 24/25	March 2- March 29	20250302
March 17/25	March 24/25	March 30 –April 26	20250330
April 14/25	April 21/25	April 27– May24	20250427
May 12/25	May 19/25	May 25 –June21	20250525
June 9/25	June16/25	June 22 –July 19	20250622
July 7/25	July 14/25	July 20– August 16	20250720
August 4/25	August 11/25	August 17—September 13	20250817
September 1/25	September 8/25	September 14– October 11	20250914
September 29/25	October 6/25	October 12-November 8	20251012
October 27/25	November 3/25	November 9-December 6	20251109
November 24/25	December 1/25	December 7– January 3	20251207
December 22/25	December 29/25	January 4-January 31	20260104