



Playtime in the Park

Ontario Early Years staff will be at local parks in Halton Hills this summer. Bring your young children for some outdoor fun and learn more about the programs and services offered at the Ontario Early Years Satellites. For information please call 905-873-2960 or 519-853-2540.

Early Years Centre Summer Schedule

Parents and Caregivers with children 0-6 years can join us in Acton for Adult and Child Together (Drop In) on Mondays from 9:00 to 1:00 pm and Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:00 am. For more information please call 905-873-2960 or 519-853-2574.

Youth Centres

The Youth Centres are holding their 4th Annual Golf Tournament at Golf North-Acton, on Sunday August 19. Cost is \$85 per person which includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, and Steak or Chicken BBQ. For more info contact Amanda at 519-853-9825.



CREATIVE KIDS: The Creative Kids Camp was a hot spot this week as campers enjoyed the Town's recreation and parks program that offered a mix of arts, crafts and fun. – Frances Niblock photo

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Still space in Acton camps...

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to 10 camp," Duncan said. For 10 to 14 year olds who like water, the outdoors and adventure, there are still openings in the Outdoor Adventure program being offered in Acton from August 20 to 24 at the Boat House.

That program offers canoe instruction, rock climbing and an overnight camping

trip at Kelso Conservation Area. Duncan said the Summer Fun Centre was created for kids who would like to try a little of everything at camp – some crafts, sports, games, themes weeks and weekly bus trips.

Each camp offers a mix of the favorites, and spaces are available in each of the camps, based at the Acton arena/community centre. Space is available for camps beginning July 30, August 3, 13 and 20.

Jeff Birrell, the Acton camp site supervisor, said the emphasis at the Tiny Tykes Sports Camp – for four to seven year olds – is fun and

good sportsmanship.

"We focus on skill development, not the score," Birrell said on Monday, adding they have two very skilled instructors for the Soccer Camp that begins on Monday at McKenzie-Smith Bennett.

For the younger crowd – three to six – there is space available in two programs – Play ABCs and Water Wigglers, both run at the Prospect Park Boathouse.

Birrell said another popular program that has openings is Just The Guys, offered August 7 to 10 at the arena/community centre.

"That program involves learning a lot of leadership

skills and team building, but we do it in a fun way, geared towards the 11 to 15 year old group," Birrell said.

Each of the programs except Tiny Tykes includes a swimming component, and the Play ABCs and Water Wigglers programs include a half-hour daily swimming lesson. Several programs include off-site trips.

Camp registration can be done online, by telephone, in person, by fax, or by mail. Completed forms may be left at the Civic Centre or Acton arena/community centre.

To check for space availability, call the program hotline at 905-873-2601 ext. 2275.

Halton booming with babies...

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of services in all sectors has not kept up with Halton's unprecedented growth. Research conducted by the Our Kids Network shows that 21% of parents with

young children could not get services in their community due to the wait list for service being too long. Nineteen percent had problems accessing early learning supports for their child. Twenty percent of young families are having difficulty gaining access to a doctor.

Our Kids Network represents Halton's commitment to positive child and youth development. It is focused on the whole child from infancy to the teen years. Our partners are committed to finding new ways to bring needed services to children and their

families right in their own neighbourhood to make sure ALL Children Thrive!

The partners that fund the Our Kids Network are Halton Region's Health and Social and Community Services departments, Halton Regional Police Services, Halton District School Board, Halton Catholic District School Board, Halton Children Aid Society, ROCK, and Transitions for Youth.

To learn more about the Our Kids Network and find information about your community visit: [www. OurKidsNetwork.ca](http://www.OurKidsNetwork.ca)

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