



# Cowichan Valley

## Child Care Resource & Referral

### September & October 2022

## Newsletter

### Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
8:30am-4:00pm

### Late Night Openings

Thursday, Sept.15th  
5:00pm-8:00pm  
Thursday, Oct.20th  
5:00pm-8:00pm

appointments available  
by request

### Closed

Monday, Sept.1 -  
Labour Day

Friday, Sept.30 -  
Indigenous Day

Monday, August 1 -  
BC Day

Monday, October 10th -  
Thanksgiving

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- Professional Development Opportunities
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- Toy Lending Library
- Activities

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Clements Centre acknowledges that our services  
are delivered from the Traditional and Unceded  
Territories of the Coast Salish Peoples.

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PRESENT

# ECEBC BRANCH MEETINGS COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS MAKE & TAKE EVENINGS

CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION WILL BE  
PROVIDED FOR PRESENTATIONS AND MAKE & TAKE

## Save The Dates

SEPT.15TH 2022 - CHILD CARE LICENSING  
OCT.20TH - MAKE & TAKE  
NOV.17TH -REGISTERED DIETICIAN  
DECEMBER 15TH - MAKE & TAKE\*  
JAN.19 2023- GUEST SPEAKER TBD  
FEB. 16TH - MAKE & TAKE  
MARCH 16TH - MAKE AND TAKE\*  
APRIL 20TH - GUEST SPEAKER TBD  
MAY 18TH - APPRECIATION  
JUNE 15TH - GUEST SPEAKER TBD

- The starred evenings we will NOT have an ECEBC Branch meeting (Dec & March)

### 5:30pm-6:00pm

Executive ECEBC Branch Meeting and Votes

### 6:00pm-6:30pm

Open to all child care providers, open discussion, light dinner

### 6:30pm-7:30pm

Either guest speaker or Make & Take

***Please contact CCRR to register***

Contact: CCRR for more information:  
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# Create & Share Make & Take Evening

**Come join us in networking, creating and discussing the early years**

**Thursday, October 20th**

**5:30-6:00 - ECEBC Meeting**

**Early Childhood Educators - Meeting and Votes**

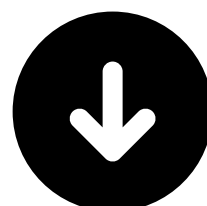
**6:00-6:30 - light dinner**



**6:30-7:30pm - Create & Share  
Information on following page  
All childcare providers Welcome**

***Certificate of attendance will be provided  
Feel free to attend it all or just the dinner & Create and Share  
Please RSVP one week prior***

***cbatyi@clementscentre.org or call 250-746-4135 ext.235***





## A living inquiry

This month's Create & Share is a mini cement pumpkin. This wonderfully messy activity supports young children to build upon life skills, engage and connect with others and exploration of new materials.

### Living Inquires

Living inquiries" (known as "areas of learning" in the B.C. Ministry of Education[2008] framework) is used to describe the processes of thinking and learning that happen as children, educators, materials, and ideas interconnect. The term "living" suggests that these processes are ongoing and always evolving. "Inquire" means to pay attention in multiple ways-to study, explore, experiment, and ask questions.

Early Learning Framework,2019,p.63)



### Invitation

Set out pumpkins, vines, roots, and leaves. Offer clip boards with white paper, orange brown, white, and green oil pastels and randomly place items about the display. Encourage the children to express what they see, feel or simply encourage them to engage in exploration with the items .

**JOIN  
US!**

*cbaty@clementscentre.org*  
or call 250-746-4135 ext.235





## Caring Connections

**October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Time: 6:30 – 8:00 PM**

**We are excited to host an in person evening with  
Monique Gray Smith**

Monique Gray Smith is a proud Mom of teenage twins and an award-winning, best-selling author. Her first published novel, *Tilly: A Story of Hope and Resilience* won the 2014 Canadian Burt Award for First Nation, Métis and Inuit Literature. Since then, Monique has had 6 books come out that cover a broad spectrum of ages, topics and emotions.

Woven into all of Monique's writing, speaking engagements and online courses is the teaching that Love is Medicine. Monique's novel, *Tilly and the Crazy Eights* was longlisted for Canada Reads 2021. Monique is well known for her contributions to the journey of Truth and Reconciliation, including being honoured with the 2019 City of Victoria Leadership Award for Reconciliation. She is an appointed member of the Board of Directors of Royal Roads University and the Minister's Advisory Council for Indigenous Women for the Government of BC. Monique is Cree, Lakota and Scottish and has been sober and involved in her healing journey for over 29 years. She is well known for her storytelling, spirit of generosity and focus on resilience.

**Register Now 250-746-4135 Ext 235**

**Free**

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## Joining the CCRR team is Cindy Batyi



Cindy has had the honour of working in the Early Years profession for over 25 years. Her passion for nature based learning is evident in her created natural environments, Atelerista work and her ongoing work with children and families. Welcome!

If your centre would like to have Cindy come for a visit and share her ideas and passion for nature based learning give CCRR a call!

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CCRR Website

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**Early Years Professional Development:** A portal to search for Early Years Training across BC



# We are Hiring

## Join us

We are looking for an addition to our CCRR team, for the full job description please visit our website at <https://www.clementscentre.org/jobs>

## Contact us

For more information contact  
Clements Centre for Families



# RESOURCE AND TOY LENDING LIBRARY

### Lending Library Update

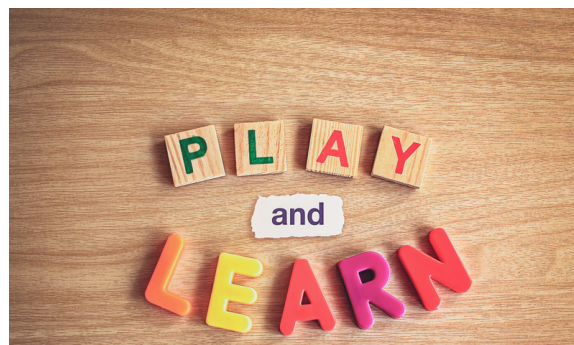
*Please remember to renew your annual registration forms, contact us for the forms if you haven't received them.*

**CCRR will be doing pick up and drop off of toy lending items every second Thursday.**

Please contact us with any of your toy lending needs or to schedule a visit. When using the library in person, if possible please call ahead to ensure a CCRR staff is available to assist you.

View the full Lending Library Catalogue on this link

[Toy Lending Library Catalogue](#)







# CCRR TOY LENDING LIBRARY

We invite you to explore the amazing assortment of natural play items to promote living inquiries. Contact Cindy for more ideas!



The Early Learning Framework describes four living inquiries :

- ◆ Well-being and belonging
- ◆ Engagement with others, materials, and the world
- ◆ Communication and literacies
- ◆ Identifies, social responsibility, and diversity

(Early Learning Framework,2019,p.65)





## FALL TREE *art projects*



<https://fun-a-day.com/fall-art-projects-for-kids-trees/>



## CORN PAINTING



<https://fun-a-day.com/art-activity-preschool-farm-theme/>



## PUMPKIN *crafts for preschoolers*



<https://fun-a-day.com/15-paper-pumpkin-crafts-for-preschoolers/>