

Harbor Family Dayhome Agency



HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY

May Newsletter 2026

May is Provider Appreciation Month!

Although you're not their mother,
You care for them almost ever single day
You cuddle, sing, and read to them
And watch them as they play
You see each new accomplishment
You help them grow and learn
You understand their language
You listen with concern
They come to you for comfort
And you kiss their tears away



They proudly show their work to you
You give the loudest cheers!
No, you are not their mothers,
But your role is just as strong
You nurture them and keep them safe
Thought maybe not for long
You know someday the time will come
When you will have to part
But you know each child you cared for
Is forever in you heart
-Author unknown



Training Opportunities

- <https://arcqe.ca/>
- <https://www.ahvna.org/training-calendar>
- <https://aecea.ca/ece-professionals/professional-learning/pd-opportunities/child-development-workshops>

Agency Staff Meeting/Training
May 19th at 6:30pm
via zoom.

Upcoming Events

- Cinco de Mayo: May 5
- Mothers Day: May 10
- Victoria day May 18

Mother's Day Craft Ideas

<https://www.happinessishomemade.net>



Time Sheets and Optional - Supplemental Fee Forms are Due: Wednesday May 20, 2026

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Salad spinner art: put a coffee filter in the bottom, drop food colouring or liquid paint onto it, spin it! (C)
 Use nature items to make collages,- seeds, dirt, sand, clowers, leaves, nuts, pine cone pieces, grass.. (E)

Make Stone Soup. Give a large pot, wooden spoons, water, assorted nature items the children can find to make stone soup. (E)

Look for different types of trees found here: apple, plum, cherry, etc... (E)

Look for photos of trees found in other countries,- orange, lemon, grapefruit, pear, fig, date, grapes, walnut, etc..

OUTDOOR
PLAY

ARTS/
CRAFTS

MUSIC

“The Twist” By Cubby Checker (C)
 Love Aaj Kaal movie song”We twist.”
 Add windchimes to your yard. (E)
 Play nature cds
 Play classical music (E)

What spins?
 What doesn't?
 Find items in the house/yard.
 Make a chart to show your results (C)
 Put a growth chart in the wall and measure how much the children grow a year.(E)

MATH

Growing(E),
Twisting and
Rotating(C)

MULTICULTURAL

SCIENCE

Learn about bees and pollination.
 Grow beans in a baggie with a wet towel. Hang on window to sprout. (E)
 Storms that twist and rotate: hurricanes and tornadoes.
 Buy a tornado tube (connector for two bottles) and create your own storm inside the two bottles (C)

DRAMATIC
PLAY

SENSORY

Make a greenhouse or a flower store. Buy/sell real or plastic/silk plants. Provide real pots, dirt, gloves, shovels, cashier, (E).

Clean, dry, soil with scoops and containers, sieves, hand rakes, seeds, such as avacado or peach pits, walnut sheels, twigs, leaves, coconutshells
 Flowers (E)

Add steering wheels to the house or blocks area with boxes and wheels.

Include children's interests on your flowchart: E asked if an orange seed would grow into a tree. C was spinning wheels on a car and watching them. He spun a plastic doughnut shaped toy on a stick.

