

Southeast Kootenay Child Care Resource & Referral Monthly Bulletin



June 2025

**Your Community's Best
Source of Child Care
Information and Resources**

GENERAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday & Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Please call the office at:

250-426-5677 or 1-800-661-2445

**prior to coming, in case of
unexpected office closures or
meetings, to avoid disappointment!**

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Funding for the CCRR is provided by the Province of British Columbia.



Southeast Kootenay CCRR is
turning 35 years old this June!

Celebrate with us by receiving a 35% discount on all
craft supplies in the Crafty Creation store for the month
of June.

Stop by the SKCCRR office on June 24th from
11 am - 2 pm for watermelon and freezies as well as a
chance to play with some of the awesome toys that are
in our Toy Lending Library.

All are welcome!

SKCCRR IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Important SKCCRR office hours for June

SKCCRR will be closed the following days:

- We will be closed on Saturday June 7 for our workshop “Aansaamb aen kiskayhtaamaahk Learning Together”

Toy Lending Library

- Toy Lending Library Memberships are now due for the 2025 - 2026 borrowing year
- Please ensure that all items - including the bins (inside and out) are cleaned before returning.
- The checklists in the bins are for the borrowers to fill out before the toys are played with and again before they are returned. Please take the time to fill them out completely.

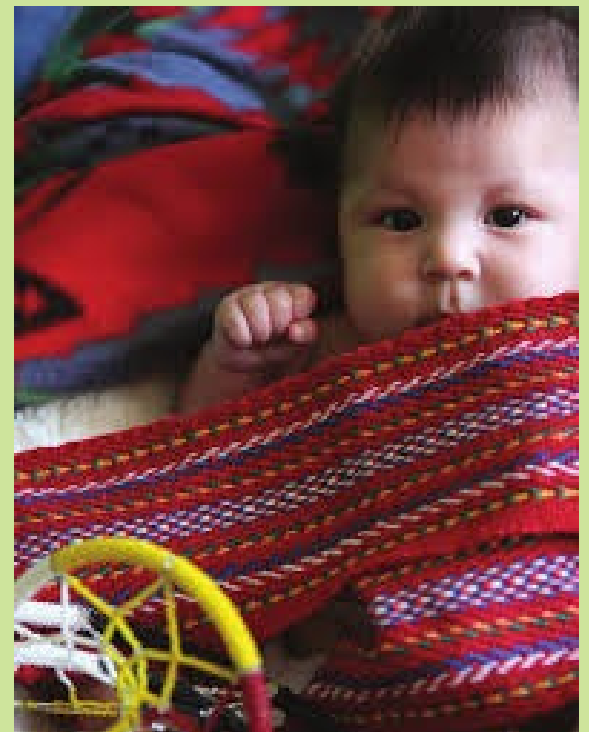
SKCCRR Presents:



MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA

“Aansaamb aen kiskayhtaamaahk Learning Together”

We are excited to offer “Aansaamb aen kiskayhtaamaahk – Learning Together”, a professional learning guide and resource kit, along with an interactive professional development workshop. The Workshop is designed to help educators integrate Métis content into early years programming and create learning environments that celebrate Métis culture. We encourage early learning and childcare professionals to deepen their understanding of Métis culture and pedagogy. By incorporating Métis-specific resources, educators can foster greater awareness of Métis identity and culture among young children, families, and communities.



When: Saturday, June 7, 2025

Time: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm (MDT) lunch will be provided

Location: Terry Leggett Hall (Scouts Hall at Idlewild Park)
(3500 13th St S Cranbrook, BC)

Cost: \$10

Payable to Community Connections Society by: cash, cheque, credit, debit, e-transfer.

Includes: lunch & snacks - SKCCRR will be covering the remainder of the costs

See workshop cancellation policy

To register: email skccrr@ccssebc.com

When registering please provide us with:

- Your full name for certificate purposes
- Email address Community you are from
- Whether you are registering as a Parent, Community Partner, or Child Care Workforce
- Program you work at (if applicable)
- Dietary restrictions you may have

Deadline to register: Wednesday, May 28, 2025.

Workshop limited to 25 participants, first come first served

SKCCRR workshop cancellation:

Request for workshop cancellation must be received by 4:00 PM on Friday, May 30, 2025. Cancellation requests received by this deadline will receive a credit voucher (no refunds) to be used towards future conferences/workshops at SKCCRR. Cancellations after this date will receive no credit voucher; however, you can send a substitute in your place. Please call the office to inform us of the substitution.

Exploring the Early Learning Framework (ELF)

Pedagogical Narration in Practice Part 2 of 5

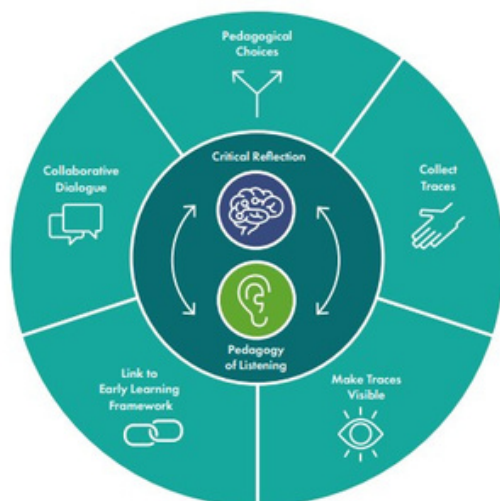
Expanding an Idea

Noticing and interpreting what children do and why they do it probes the connection between thinking and questioning and shows or makes visible the way children are making meaning of their learning or of their interaction with the world. As one interprets and critically reflects on a moment/observation, intriguing questions and insight can be gained without requiring absolute certainty about the situation.

Reflect on the traces

Reflect on the traces of practice that you have collected. Write thoughts about this moment. Ask yourself, Why did I record this moment? What interests me about it? What ideas or theories might the children (and/or educators or others) be thinking, learning, or experimenting with? Think about the ideas that have been presented in the framework about critical reflection and a pedagogy of listening. In Figure 1, on page 53, critical reflection and a pedagogy of listening are drawn at the centre of the pedagogical narration process and also connect to all of the other process elements. Educators cycle through this element regularly throughout the pedagogical narration process. The critically reflective questions in this framework (pages 69 – 90) are useful to help engage in reflection.

Figure 1 provides an overview of the process of pedagogical narration.

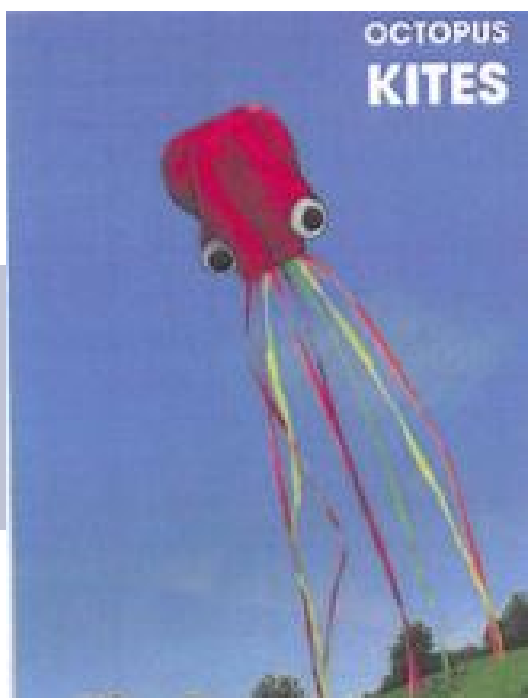




Features of the Month:

BBQ

4-227 and 4-743



Assorted Kites

4-109 A-E, 4-038, 4-014, 4-010, 4-002

Team Walkers

4-705



Activity Ideas

Outdoor Window Painting



<https://www.simplefunforkids.com/outdoor-window-painting.html/>

<https://busytoddler.com/pom-pom-water-play/>



Pom-Pom Water Play



Sponge Targets

<https://busytoddler.com/sponge-targets/>

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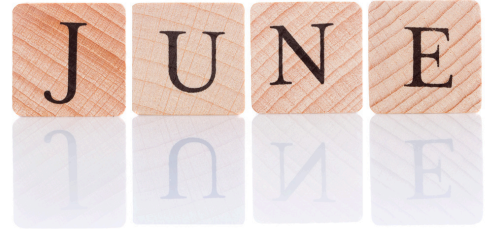
First Voices

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(Arrowleaf balsamroot)

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Child Care Provider Outreach

June Outreach Information:

- Elk Valley Thursday June 5th
 - Cranbrook & area Tuesday June 10th
 - Kimberley & area Thursday June 12th
- * please note that all outreach is subject to weather and road conditions
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If you have toys that are being returned, please ensure that they are clean/sanitized, and that the inventory checklist has been completed prior to pickup.



Find the SKCCRR toy library at:
<https://can.accessit.online/EST21>

Crafty Creations:
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/136469458@N07/albums/72157719629135450>



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JUNE 19th



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CENTER**

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cotr.ca/programs/early-childhood-education

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Services through SKCCRR

- **Monthly bulletin – includes up-to-date child care information, programming activity suggestions, and other resources.**
- **Consultation, monthly outreach, and support to all registered child care facilities/programs and the child care workforce - call us even just to chat, vent, brainstorm, and share ideas!**
- **Affordable Child Care Benefit application support (for both providers and families).**
- **Child care referrals.**
- **Professional development, networking, and training sessions for child care providers, child care workforce, families/caregivers, and community partners.**
- **Free toy/equipment/resource lending library.**
- **Information, resources and support in opening up a quality child care facility for Municipalities and Community Partners.**
- **Crafty Creations craft store – access to non-toxic, quality craft supplies.**
- **Community consultation, meetings and development.**
- **Laminating service every Tuesday - \$0.75 per linear foot.**
- **Early Years Teams supports.**

We gratefully acknowledge that the land on which we live, and work resides within the unceded traditional territory known as ʔamakís Ktunaxa, the homelands of the Ktunaxa Nation, while recognizing the Métis, Inuit and other Indigenous peoples who live here.



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of our region

VISION: A recognized leader in providing a wide spectrum
of services that support individuals and families

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