

# Early Childhood Programming



Many **Community Learning Centres (CLCs)** across the province offer Early Childhood programming for families with children 0 to 5 years old. These offerings are made possible through local and provincial partners both in the school and community. Activities offered include parent and tot playgroups, reading circles and literacy evenings, parent workshops and networking groups, and more.

The Provincial Resource Team (PRT) supports these activities by mobilizing partners and advocating for existing services and tools to be made available in English. Local resources are essential, as they cater to the specific needs and realities of communities, both in urban and rural settings.

Many CLC schools and centres offer programs for children 0-5 and their parents, most notably in areas where no other Early Childhood programming exists for the English-speaking families. Community Development Agents (CDAs) work with partners to assess the needs of the community and work together to bridge the gap, often by being the only voice of the English-speaking community at the Early Childhood consultation tables in their region (i.e. Tables de concertation Petite-Enfance).

#### Did you know?

The second annual Early Childhood Week is from November 19 to 25, 2017. Go to site

Here is how you can get involved:

#### TEACH

Teachers, principals and school staff interested in working with community partnerships to promote early literacy and child development programs, can contact LEARN's Provincial



Resource Team (email) for resources and to connect to organizations that offer services to the English-Speaking community.

### LEARN

Parents and community members who would like to learn more about the activities and projects and available in your community are invited to visit us here to locate your nearest CLC. Go to site

## HELP

If your organization would like to offer early-childhood services to the English-Speaking community, create partnerships with schools, or you would like to participate in the next network-wide conference, contact the Provincial Resource Team for more information. (PRT email and link to LEARN CLC partners page)