



**Investing  
in  
Children**

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# Calendar of Events

## October 2002

**No-cost or low-cost activities for you and your children**

<p><b>1 Queen/King for a Day</b> Elect one family member as King/Queen for the day. Let them pick out an activity that you can do together as a family</p>	<p><b>2 Furry Bird</b> Cut out the shape of a bird (or turkey) and let the children glue feathers to the bird.</p> 	<p><b>3 Painted String Art</b> Dip a piece of string in paint. Place on one side of a folded sheet of paper. Fold and press. Pull the string out and open the paper to see the your cool design.</p>	<p><b>4 The Leaves are Falling Down</b> The leaves are falling down. The leaves are falling down. Red, yellow, green and brown. The leaves are falling down.</p>	<p><b>5 Family Storytime</b> Every Saturday, 10:30 - 11:15am, Drop in Children's Library 251 Dundas Street</p> 	<p><b>6 Shape Pictures</b> Cut different shapes out of different colours of construction paper. Give your child the shapes to make a picture.</p> 
<p><b>7 Houses</b> Talk to your children about different kinds of homes that people live in: igloos, apartments, huts... What kind of home would they like to live in?</p>	<p><b>8 TV Blackout Night:</b> Instead of watching TV, read aloud or play games, do a puzzle, or sing songs with your children.</p> 	<p><b>9 Leaf Painting</b> Go for a walk and find some leaves. Paint the underside of a leaf and then press on to a sheet of paper to make leafy designs.</p>	<p><b>10 Apple Frosty</b> Peel, core and blend: 1 apple, 1 peeled banana, 1/4 C. milk, 3 ice cubes YUM!</p> 	<p><b>11 Shake Jars</b> Fill several glass jars 1/3 full of different ingredients (rice, beans, water, sand...) Seal with a hot glue gun. Let your toddler shake and learn different sounds.</p>	<p><b>12 Nature Rubbings</b> Go outside and select objects that are rough and bumpy (leaves, sticks, bark...) Put the objects under a sheet of paper. Rub a crayon on top to see the texture.</p>
<p><b>14 Thanksgiving</b> Discuss with your children what they have to be thankful for and why.</p> 	<p><b>15 Reading Place</b> Put lots and lots of pillows and blankets in the bathtub so it is almost full! Now, sit with your child in your special reading place and make reading fun!</p>	<p><b>16 Hug Tag</b> Play tag outside with your children. In order to "tag" someone, they have to be hugged.</p> 	<p><b>17 Float or Sink?</b> Help your child select a few toys or items that can go in water. While in the tub, help your child guess which items will sink and which ones will float.</p>	<p><b>18 Wiggle and Giggle</b> Put on some music and let your child move, dance, sing to the beat. Ask them how the music makes them feel and have them act accordingly.</p>	<p><b>19 Windy Day Airplanes</b> Make paper airplanes and fly them outdoors on a windy day. Don't forget to bring them home with you for another day!</p>
<p><b>21 What If?</b> What if leaves where purple? What colour would they turn in the fall?</p> 	<p><b>22 How do I feel?</b> Pick a theme with your child. It could be happy, sad, sleepy, etc. Then look for faces conveying your selected emotion in magazines and glue them on to paper.</p>	<p><b>23 Turn Around Day</b> A day to do silly things! Read books from the last page to the first, wear clothes backwards, eat pudding through a straw -- kids will love the silliness!</p>	<p><b>24 Owl Snack</b> Spread peanut butter on rice cake. Add banana circles for eyes and cheerios for eyebrows. Add cheese triangle under the banana slices for the beak.</p>	<p><b>25 PD Day Movie: Monsters Inc</b> 10 am &amp; 1pm Drop in Children's Library 251 Dundas Street</p>	<p><b>26 Lacy Frame</b> Cut holes around the edge of a piece of paper that has been drawn on or decorated. Lace string around the edges for a frame.</p>
<p><b>28 Handprint Ghosts</b> Have children paint their hands white and press onto black construction paper. When dry turn them upside down and add faces.</p>	<p><b>29 Pumpkin Faces</b> Spread processed cheese on an English muffin. Arrange raisins to make eyes, nose, and a mouth to create a yummy pumpkin.</p>	<p><b>30 Handprint Pumpkins</b> Apply orange tempera paint to the palm of a hand. Press palm onto paper. Use green paint on a finger for the stems.</p>	<p><b>31 Hallowe'en Costume Party</b> (ages 6 and under) 10 - 11:30am, Children's Library 251 Dundas Street <b>Happy Hallowe'en!</b></p>	<p align="center">Celebrate the Week of the Child October 19-27</p>	

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