

## TEACH & PLAY NEWSLETTER January 2010

This past year has been a time full of changes for Teach & Play. Our new space is very welcoming with lots of children to play with as well as additional toys available to borrow.

Please be advised that Teach & Play will be closed February 9<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>. During this time please feel free to borrow toys through Childreach if you are a member of TAP.

Teach & Play is embarking on a joint program with Glen Cairn Resource Centre. We will be offering a Shakin n' Bakin program which will combine visits from community professionals i.e. Police chief, chefs, etc., make a meal and exercise with friends. To sign up please call Patti at 519-434-3644 ext 17. The first night is February 25<sup>th</sup> from 6-730 pm. Due to the scheduling for this program Teach & Play will be open on some Wednesday nights from Childreach please see the calendar for details.

Our time at Ford has been quite successful as it allows opportunities for the children to play on the computers, the wii and with the Virtual learning equipment. If you'd like to join us we will be at Ford Crescent on Saturday, January 16, 30<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-2 pm. As well as Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, February 28<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 2 pm, please feel free to contact Ford crescent staff at 519-433-3371 to use the snoezelen room during these times.

**Leisure Nights** – opportunity for youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder, ages 11 to 17 to have fun and socialize in a safe, supportive environment. Sessions are one night a week for 6 weeks. For more information call 519-686-3000



### Snoezelen Evening Hours 25 Ford Crescent

Wednesday January 6

Monday January 11

Thursday January 21

Monday January 25

Training (RSVP required)

Cost: \$2 per session or \$20 per year for dry snoezelen.

Other dates and times are also available during the day. Please call 519-433-3371 to book a spot.

Parents/Caregivers need to be trained prior to attending snoezelen sessions. Training sessions can be booked by calling 519-433-3371.

London Speech &  
Language Centre  
offering Talk it up Read  
it Up Jan 9-Feb 13  
[www.londonspeech.com](http://www.londonspeech.com)



*Snow Jar*

### Materials

- 1 jar with screw-top lid
- Waterproof glue
- Wallpaper paste
- Glitter
- Paints (oil-based)
- Small toys, ornaments, miniature trees

### Directions

If you can't get to the snow in the wintertime, make some of your own.

1. Take the jar lid and glue small toys, ornaments, trees, etc., to the lid. Make sure you don't use water based glue.
2. Paint the back of the jar white or black to create a background for the snow storm. You can also paint a scenic background if you want.
3. Once the paint is dry, fill the jar almost to the top with water and sprinkle in about a teaspoon of wallpaper paste and some glitter.
4. Stir the mixture and allow it to settle.
5. Screw the lid back on and turn the jar upside down and give it a shake.
6. Enjoy your instant winter scene.



### Shakin' & Bakin'

Cooking program available thru the Glen Cairn Community Centre for 6 weeks in February with Patti.

For children 10 yrs and up. Please speak to Patti 519-434-3644 ext 17, if you are interested in participating in this cooking experience. You will be able to take with you picture recipes of each of the meals that you make. Minimal cost to attend.

### Things to do around Town

Family Fun Fest Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup> 11-2 pm  
At the Hellenic Community Centre  
\$40 for Adults, \$10 for Children  
This is a fundraising event for Childreach.

Scholastic Book Fair at Childreach  
Feb 23-27<sup>th</sup>


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Happy New Year	2
3	4	5 2-8 pm Childreach	6	7 2-8 pm Childreach	8	9 9-2 Patti in Library at childreach
10	11	12 2-8 pm Patti in Library at Childreach	13 4-6 pm Childreach	14 4-8 pm Childreach	15	16 9-2 Ford Crescent
17	18	19 4-8 pm Childreach	20 4-8 pm Childreach	21 4-8 pm Childreach	22	23 9-2 Childreach
24 11-2 pm Ford Crescent	25	26 2-8 pm Childreach	27	28 2-6 pm Childreach	29	30 9-2 Ford Crescent
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25 Ford Crescent will be available some Sundays to allow families more time to utilize the Snoezelen room, which needs to be booked through Ford crescent 519-433-3371.

For Sundays please call Patti by Thursday before to confirm attendance 519-434-3644 ext 17.  
As this is a trial to see if this will work for families.

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	1	2 2-8 pm Childreach	3	4 2-8 pm Childreach	5	6 9-2 Patti in library at Childreach
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14  Happy Valentine's	15 Family Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 2-8 pm Childreach	24 2-8 pm Childreach	25 2-5 pm Childreach	26	27 9-2 Childreach
28 11-2 pm Ford Crescent	March 1	2 2-8 pm Childreach	3 2-8 pm Childreach	4 2-5 Childreach	5	6 9-2 Ford

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