Today's Family

Winter Camp

G.L. Armstrong Winter Camp 2017

We're excited that you're interested in our Winter Break Camp! In this brochure, you'll find detailed descriptions of daily activities, as well as some other things that you can expect.

Your daily camp packing list:

1. **Nut free lunch**
2. **Reusable water bottle**
3. **Winter weather clothing and footwear**
4. **Comfortable indoor shoes**

Week 1 – December 25 to 29

Monday, December 25

Program closed for the Stat Holiday

Tuesday, December 26

Program closed for the Stat Holiday

Wednesday, December 27
Life Sized Gingerbread House

Today is the first day of our Winter Break camp program! We will be kicking everything off by coming together and making a life sized gingerbread house using cardboard and wrapping paper.

Thursday, December 28
Frosty's Parachute

Look out below! Today our campers will be making a parachute or shelter to protect frosty from falling from the top of the staircase. Using materials provided campers must make sure Frosty makes a safe landing.

Friday, December 29

Program closed for the Board Designated Holiday

Week 2 – January 1 to 5

Monday, January1

Program closed for the Stat Holiday

Tuesday, January 2
Winter Bird Feeders

Today our campers will become one with nature. They will work together to create winter bird feeders. With a combination of gelatin and seeds, we will make sure the birds won't go hungry this winter.

Wednesday, January 3
Crawford Lake Conservation Area

3115 Conservation Road Milton, ON
www.conservationhalton.on.ca

Campers will be taking a chartered bus to Crawford Lake to discover Ontario's rich First Nation's heritage as they explore a 15th century reconstructed Iroquoian Village. We will have the opportunity to enjoy games, craft making, longhouse exploration and a hike to learn about what life was like in a longhouse village over 600 years ago.

Thursday, January 4
Snow Globes

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow! Today campers will use paper plates as a canvas to draw their own 2D snow globes. Using paint and sparkles as snow there is bound to be a mess, and lots of fun!

Friday, January 5
Snowball Throwing Contest

On the last day of camp there has to be a contest! We will be setting up a five foot snowman with different sized holes in it, all with different point values. Campers will stand behind a line and throw snowballs and try to get them through the holes, while trying to rack up the most points.

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Hamilton
905 574 9344, Ext. 103

Haldimand Norfolk
1 844 574 9344, Ext. 103

Halton
289 288-0059, Ext. 103

In all three regions...

Please send your completed registration form to: childcare@todaysfamily.ca or fax to 905 574 2684

www.todaysfamily.ca

Did you know...

Answers to frequently asked questions

Welcome to Today's Family

Today's Family is a non-profit charitable agency servicing children and families in and around Hamilton, Halton and Haldimand Norfolk. We offer a wide range of early learning and child care programs as well as parental support programs to help you and your child every step of the way. It's professional, caring support that makes a real difference in the physical, emotional, social and intellectual development of children.

Registration

You can register for Today's Family Winter Camps in the following ways:

1. In person

2. By mail: Today's Family Winter Camp Central Administration Office, 44 Greendale Drive, Hamilton, L9C 5Z4

3. By email: Download a registration package: www.todaysfamily.ca or email us at childcare@todaysfamily.ca

Financial Assistance

Qualifying families may be eligible for subsidy through the Social Development and Early Childhood Services Child Care Fee Subsidy Office. For further information, please call:

905 546 4870 City of Hamilton
905 825 6000 Halton Region
519 426 6170 Haldimand Norfolk

Program Hours

Today's Family Winter Camp Programs operate from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. We are closed on statutory holidays.

What to bring to camp:

To be prepared for camp, please remember to bring the following to camp each day:

- ✔ Lunch (nut-free)
- ✔ Swim suit
- ✔ Towel
- ✔ Outdoor clothing
- ✔ Refillable water bottle
- ✔ Comfortable shoes

✘ We ask that campers not bring any valuables to camp. This includes: cell phones, electronic devices and games.

Weather Policy

To ensure the health and safety of all, camp staff will modify activities to accommodate for weather. There will be outdoor time every day, weather permitting.

Nutrition

Today's Family provides snacks in accordance with the Canada Food Guide. Menus are posted and copies are also available to parents and families. Please be sure to alert us of any allergies or food restrictions. If possible, we will try to provide an alternative. **Please bring a nut-free lunch and refillable water bottle every day.**

Guiding Behaviour

Today's Family use re-direction and positive behaviour guidance techniques appropriate to the child's age to promote self-discipline and respect for others and their environment.

Serious Occurrences

Serious occurrences that happen in your child's Camp Program are posted at the program location for your information.

Volunteer and Student Supervision Policy

Only Today's Family employees will have the direct responsibility for the supervision of children in the camp programs. Please note: Volunteers and students are not considered part of the staff / caregiver to child ratio.