

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

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Feel the Music...Jacky Molyneux



It's just scribbling you say?

This was her first visit to the Family Centre. She came with her Dad. Just as I sat down, she handed me a bingo dabber. I

told her that I didn't have any paper. She scanned the table, saw an abandoned picture, turned it over and handed it to me. We drew. We moved over to the white board just as the music started playing. She broke into dance, and kept on drawing. I said, "Look, you are writing to the music." She needed no further encouragement. With ease, she composed a symphony of scribbles filled with crescendos and decrescendos from the heart. It was beautiful to watch. She stopped to tell me about a piece of her writing. She said, "This is me. I am in a heart of love. It says....I love mommy." Time passed. As I glanced back, she was teaching the gift of composing to a little boy beside her. When it was time to clean up, I giggled silently as I watched Dad clean off the white board while Little Girl supervised. When he got to her heart of love she told him not to erase her writing.

Diwali...Maples Style



It felt like a thousand

people at the Maples Collegiate Diwali Celebration. Music, vibrant colors, and the delicious smell of samosas filled the air. The talent of the students dancing Bhangra

was sinitilizing...I couldn't help but focus on the toddlers keeping the Bhangra beat at their mothers' knees. This evening truly captured the Festival of Light.

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Special points of interest:

- Early Learning is everybody's business!
- We have 14 Family Centres where families come together to play and learn!



Seven Oaks School Division
Child & Family Centre

Check our Web Page for
more information and
calendars.

There are 14 Family Centres
in Seven Oaks School
Division!



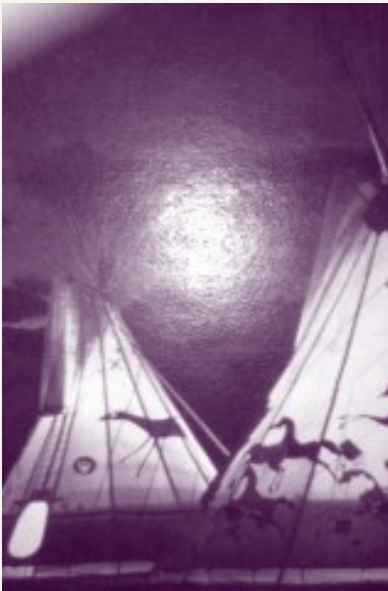
Websites to Check out.

[http://www.7oaks.org/
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Pages/default.aspx](http://www.7oaks.org/PROGRAMS/WELCOMEFAMILIES/Pages/default.aspx)

<http://zerotothree.org/>

[http://www.gov.mb.ca/
healthychild/](http://www.gov.mb.ca/healthychild/)

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National Child Day Forum

Manitoba Parent Child Coalitions

Healthy Child Manitoba's parent child coalition engage community partners in a shared vision to support children, families and communities. Parent child programs emphasize activities that involve both parents and children. Parent Child Centred activities build healthy child development through the core activities of:

1. Positive Parenting
2. Nutrition and Physical Health
3. Learning and Literacy
4. Community Capacity-Building

The Seven Oaks Early Learning Coalition is one of the many Manitoba Coalitions working to promote early learning in our community.