

NEWSLETTER

FIRST ADVENTURE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

November 2025



At First Adventure we believe that creating a culture of caring in children's earliest years builds a foundation for caring. Children begin caring for themselves, caring for each other, and caring for the community at large.

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Georges Vanier Campus: 613-969-8316 or 613-848-6063



Upcoming Closures

All First Adventure programs will be closed for Christmas holidays
Thursday, December 25 to Friday,
January 2



Programs will reopen
Monday, January 5, 2026



The fall has arrived which means the weather changes from hour to hour and day to day, so please ensure that your child is dressed for the changing temperatures. This includes dressing in layers that the teachers can remove or add to ensure your child is as cool/warm as necessary. Please see that your child has a rain jacket, rubber boots, hat, and mittens for the cool and wet outdoor weather.

Family Events

Thank you to all of the families that took part in our pumpkin decorating event this past weekend, a good time was had by all. Pumpkins were generously donated by Rob Smith, a local farmer and the owner of the snow removal company we use at First Adventure.

Stay tuned for information about the next family event taking place in December.



The HPEDSB and the ALCDSB have PA days scheduled on the following days during the 2025-2026 school year:

Friday, November 14

Friday, January 30

Friday, April 17

Friday, May 29

If you are in need of care for your school aged child, please contact Brittany at the Georges Vanier campus at 613-969-8316 to inquire. Spaces are limited and first priority goes to children currently enrolled in the before and after school program.

Little Adventures, Big Connections.

It was more than an event — it was a morning of belonging. A reminder that big connections are made through small adventures, shared laughter, and moments of genuine togetherness.

On Sunday, October 26, our Big Connections, Little Adventures group gathered for a morning of fall fun at the park. Families joined educators for a nature scavenger hunt, pumpkin painting, and gross motor play — a joyful morning filled with laughter, creativity, and connection.

Children proudly led their families through scavenger hunts, shared discoveries with their peers, and expressed themselves through art. Parents enjoyed meaningful conversations and shared how much they valued the opportunity to slow down, enjoy the outdoors, and connect with others in the community. These moments strengthened the web of relationships that support each child's growth, confidence, and sense of belonging.



As educators, we found it truly meaningful to witness these connections in action. Watching children interact with their families, peers, and teachers reminded us how powerful these experiences are in fostering social and emotional development. These shared moments deepen relationships, strengthen a child's sense of self, and show them that they are part of something bigger — a community that believes in them and celebrates who they are.

The event reflected the heart of our program statement — fostering relationships, encouraging participation in diverse experiences, and nurturing each child's natural curiosity. By engaging together outside the classroom, families, children, and educators experienced one another in a new light. These shared adventures helped extend learning and connection beyond the walls of the child care centre, building a stronger sense of community that reaches into the wider world.

As *How Does Learning Happen?* reminds us, "Belonging is about feeling connected to others, being valued, and forming meaningful relationships." When children see their families and educators engaging together with joy and curiosity, they feel secure and confident, knowing they are surrounded by a caring community that values and supports them.