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Frostnip

- Frost-nipped skin is extremely cold, but not yet frozen skin.
 It commonly affects the ears, nose, cheeks, fingers and toes;
- The skin may look red and possibly feel numb to the touch;
- When treated promptly, frostnip heals without complication;
 Move to a warm environment and immediately, but gently re-warm the affected area through skin to skin contact

Frostbite

(i.e. hand covering tips of ears).

- Frostbite occurs when skin becomes so cold, the skin and underlying tissues freeze solid;
- Affected skin may look white and waxy and will feel hard to the touch;
- Move to a warm environment immediately and place the affected area in warm, not hot, water, until fully rewarmed;
- Call 9-1-1- or seek further medical attention as required.

Hypothermia

- Hypothermia is abnormally low body temperature, less than 34°C (as compared to normal body temperature of about 37°C);
- Early hypothermia may manifest as profound shivering; moderate hypothermic patients may act inappropriately: stumbling, mumbling, and fumbling, as their body temperature continues to drop resulting in severe hypothermia (<30°C);
- Left untreated, severe hypothermia may progress to unconsciousness or death;
- Early recognition and prompt medical attention is crucial. Call 9-1-1. Don't forget to protect yourself from the factors that originally lead to the patient's situation;
- Initiate gentle re-warming as quickly as possible. Remove any wet or constrictive clothing; cover with blankets, or sleeping bags. Protect from further heat loss: eliminate contact with cold surfaces, and shield from wind and moisture.



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December 18

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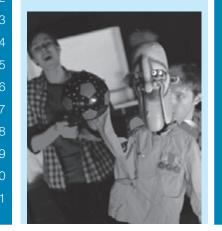
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There are at least 350 chapters worldwide. All recognize that there are hundreds of organizations working hard to provide much-needed services within their communities.

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YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

- October 21 to January 31 Proudly They Served: Canadian Women's Army Corps in WWII: Learn more about the role Canadian women played in the Second World War and visit the Lougheed House's exhibition on the history of the Canadian Women's Army Corps (CWAC.) www.lougheedhouse.com
- January 3 Calgary Flames & Tampa Bay Lighting face off at 7:00 pm at the Saddledome www.calgaryflames.com
- January 3 Calgary Hitmen & Brandon Wheat Kings face off at 1:00 pm at the Saddledome www.hitmenhockey.com
- January 13 Calgary Flames vs Florida Panthers at the Saddledome 7:30 pm www. calgaryflames.com
- January 17 Vance Joy: 'Fire and the Flood' North American Tour with Calgary's own Reuben and the Dark. www.vancejoy.com
- January 17 to 18 National Geographic Live -Gorongosa Reborn: A Cameraman's Journal: Mozambique's Gorongosa National Park was a jewel of Africa's parks system until civil war nearly destroyed it. Join Bob Poole as he takes us deep into the African wilds where he worked with rangers and scientists to save a lost Eden in one of the biggest conservation projects on the planet. www.artscommons.ca
- January 19 to February 28 The Little Prince
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- January 30 Calgary Hitmen vs Prince Albert Raiders at the Saddledome 7:00 pm www. hitmenhockey.com

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The holiday season is a busy one for every family. In the hustle of the season, we want to encourage you to make time for simple ways to connect with your little ones.

READ! Reading aloud to your child 10 minutes a day builds their brains and the bonds you have with them. (Make sure a book is one of the gifts your child receives this holiday) Take them to the library. Visit a used book store or an independent book store (Calgary has four independent book stores!).

SING! This is the season for songs. Turn up your iPod. Sing in the car, at home or at the dinner table. Ask your child what their favourite is, share your favourite song. Practice their school choir repertoire together. Don't worry if your singing ability shatters china or has dogs howling, singing has been scientifically proven to reduce stress, lower anxiety and increase endorphins.

TALK! Talking to your child builds their brain architecture. Research has shown that children from talkative families may have heard 30 million more words directed to them by age 3 than children from less-talkative families! And the same research study showed that the more words the children had heard by age 3, the better they did on tests of cognitive development. This is important. Talk in the car, talk while you buy groceries...talk, talk, talk. And use kind words, only kind words.

PLAY! Turn off the TV and go outside. Make a snowman, catch a snowflake on your tongue or fill the yard with snow angels. Pack a travel game for the long traffic waits that occur this time of year. Pull out a board game for chilly nights at home. Make play dough. Playing helps your children develop language, social skills, physical coordination, emotional maturity, and exploration skills without them even knowing it! Schedule play into every day!

LOVE! This is the season to share and demonstrate empathy with your child. Take them shopping to purchase a gift for a child in need. Ask them to donate part of their allowance to provide a dinner for someone who is homeless. Have them create a holiday card for a lonely senior. Building compassion in your child increases their capacity to identify, understand, manage, and express a full range of positive and negative emotions in a productive way.

Happy holidays!

These tips brought to you by High Five, a group of agencies helping families obtain information and services to raise happy, healthy children.



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To register or if you have any questions, please contact the preschool by phone at 403-852-5990 or by email at: dewintoncommunitypreschool @gmail.com.

Quilting

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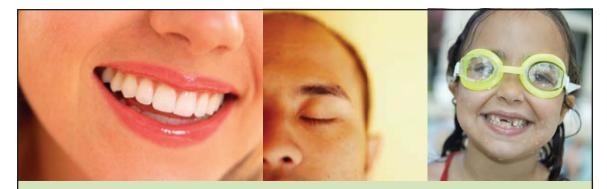
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