

The Big Update

Supporter Edition

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THANK
YOU

JAYS CARE - TURN THE PAGE EVENT

Lisa and Lorna recently travelled to Saint John, NB to participate in the Turn the Page event put on by the Jays Care Foundation & First Book Canada. They came home with a trunk load of great books and Lego kits for the children and youth in our programs. We can't thank them enough for helping our Littles reach their full potential by supporting their literacy and educational engagement. Access to quality books is increasingly more difficult in the current economy so this support will go a long way with many of our families. Thank you Jays Care Foundation and First Book Canada.



WISHING ANNIKA WELL

Annika did an amazing job with the Launch Your Life program and Tech N Talk sessions for Seniors this year. She is leaving BBBS to pursue further education in Nova Scotia in the fall. We wish her the very best and will miss her positive attitude and smiling face. Thank you Annika for all the time and effort you put into building those programs.



GO GIRLS!

BBBS is proud to share that the first Go Girls! program we have run in a few years has been such a great success that we already have a couple of organizations who want to host the program in the fall. We are super excited about the way that Annika, Gina and Jess revamped and updated the program - making it much more modern, fun and appealing while still focusing on the importance of healthy minds & bodies, feeling good, setting boundaries, and strong decision making skills. The single, most important goal of the program is to positively shape the lives of young women and girls by helping them build a positive self-image – setting them on a path to reach their full potential in life. We are looking for volunteers (aged 18 - 30) who may be interested in being trained as leaders for this great program. We have all the materials & staff who will train you and be there for you as you learn the ropes. Contact Myron today at myron.yates@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca



Happy Canada Day!



Summer Activities for Bigs/Littles and Families

CONNECT WITH NATURE Victoria Park Ballfield Clubhouse – outdoor, environmental experiences for all ages. www.charlottetown.ca/natureed **FREE**

Eckhart in the City Scavenger Hunt - Eckhart the Mouse is the main character from The True Meaning of Crumbfest. Eckhart is an adventurer and you can be too as you follow the clues to find our bronze Eckharts. Nine little bronze mice were installed in their "hiding places" around the City. **FREE**
<https://www.downtowncharlottetown.com/eckhart-in-the-city>

Mi'kmaq Stories of Rabbit and His Friends – June 27 - Saturday, July 8, 2023

The Mi'kmaq Heritage Actors share the history of the Mi'kmaq people through stories, songs, and traditional dance. This fun, and interactive show is full of teachings for all ages. Enjoy this **FREE** show in the open-air at the Confederation Centre Outdoor Amphitheatre. 145 Richmond St. Charlottetown.

The City of Charlottetown's Capital City Canada Day celebrations will feature **FREE** family-friendly activities and live music that culminates with fireworks at dusk. <https://www.discovercharlottetown.com/events/canada-day-celebrations>

Munschables – July 10 - Saturday, August 26, 2023

This **FREE** high-energy family show is back by popular demand! Featuring a new selection of stories from beloved books, Munschables brings the exciting and silly world of children's author Robert Munsch to life through an interactive and musical performance. Held at the Confederation Centre Outdoor Amphitheatre at noon.

Acadian Day Celebrations - Tuesday, August 15, 2023 (all day) Peake's Wharf & Victoria Row Charlottetown
<https://www.discovercharlottetown.com/events/acadia-day-2023> **FREE**

Georgetown Summer Days Festival - July 11 – 16, 2023 Activities and events for the whole family. A parade, live music, BBQs, laser tag, dancing, fireworks, a biscuit competition, and so much more. **FREE**
<https://threeriversfestivals.com/georgetown-summer-days-2023/>

Mermaid Tears Sea Glass Festival in Souris - Saturday, July 29th & Sunday, July 30th 10:00am-4:00pm each day. **Admission is only \$5 per person.** This festival will have a seaglass guessing contest, SHARD contest (cash prizes), seaglass bingo, live entertainment all day, artisan vendors, food vendors, **mermaid photo op**, mermaid face painter, children's craft table, an inflatable, Pony Rides by Brudenell Stables & Ax throwing with Axes Eh!
www.peiseaglassfestival.com

Summerside Lobster Festival – July 6 – 8th **Admission to the grounds is by donation.** The program is jam-packed with something for all ages and budgets. <https://www.summersidelobstercarnival.website>

Kensington Harvest Festival – August 20 – 26th Lots of activities for all ages - parade, road race, youth talent event, kids obstacle course and inflatables, fireman's challenge events and much more.
<https://kensington.ca/credit-union-complex/festivals/theharvestfestival>

O'Leary Potato Blossom Festival - July 17 - 23, 2023 There will be a parade, youth talent competition, dunk tank, face painting, splash pad, BBQ, live entertainment and so much more. https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064901822151&ref=page_internal

Alberton Exhibition - July 27 - 29, 2023 There will be a parade, petting zoo, remote control car races, minute to win it games, face painting and more. <https://www.peiae.ca/prince-county-exhibition>

