



Licensed Centres and Early Learning on the Gulf Islands

Gulf Islands Early Years Table: GIEarlyYears@shaw.ca

SALT SPRING ISLAND		
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Please call centres to confirm days and times of programs.

 <p>A Child's Garden 180 Head St, Salt Spring Island 250-538-0246</p>	<p>September to June Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 9:00-4:00 Thursday and Friday 9:00 – 4:00</p>	<p>Waldorf mixed aged kindergarten For children ages 3 to 6 years old</p>
 <p>Little Blue Early Learning Centre (250) 221-BLUE (2583) 324 Fulford Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, V8K 2K6 princeryan@shaw.ca</p>	<p>September –June. Monday – Thursday Ages: Licensed Multi-age Centre (2 – 5) and as an Infant/ Toddler Centre (under 3 years old).</p>	<p>Our philosophy is learning and discovering through play. We actively create an environment rich with opportunities to explore and challenge children's capabilities. Our program has a consistent yet flexible daily schedule that allows us to be child centred and respond to their needs and interest. But most importantly children have fun, feel good about themselves, and are learning valuable social skills.</p>
 <p>Little Red Schoolhouse 1365 Beaver Point Rd Salt Spring Island, V8K 1W9 250-653-4343 littleredschoolhouse@shaw.ca</p>	<p>September to June Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 – 1:00 for children 3 – 5 yrs Afternoon program "Raindrops" runs on some afternoons.</p>	<p>Little Red Schoolhouse is a non-profit society that believes in providing quality care and education for young children and families in the community. Play, explore, grow and learn in cooperation with others. Hands-on experiential learning. We encourage children to be themselves and experience the wonder of childhood, while spending lots of time outdoors enjoying nature.</p>
 <p>Morning Glory Daycare Preschool in the south end of Salt Spring Island 250- 653-9545 kimsyurt@mail.com</p>	<p>Morning Glory is a home based Waldorf initiative operating throughout the year. Ages 3-7 Monday to Wednesday 9am-2pm</p>	<p>Creating an enriching creative experience for children and families. There is an emphasis on a rhythm to the day. Play is sacred here, this can be children's first choice of activity or they could choose from chopping vegetables, baking, sweeping, painting or the craft of the day. We have several festivals a year, which we work towards with crafts, and all the families come and celebrate together. We spend 1-2 hours outside everyday regardless of weather and have 3 amazing possibilities a beach walk, a farm/forest/marsh hike or a rainforest adventure all 5 minutes from the door.</p>



Salt Spring Early Learning Centre
 (Formerly Salt Spring Island Daycare)
 115 Drake Rd, Salt Spring Island
 250-537-2114
ssidc@saltspring.com

Our centre is a non-profit society that offers year-round early learning for children 2 1/2 to 5 years old. Five days a week between the hours of 8am-5pm.

Qualified licensed staff provide a play-based curriculum revolving around the children's interests. Art, music & movement, dramatic play, and large & fine motor activities are incorporated throughout the day. Large outdoor play area offers many opportunities to explore rain or shine. Situated close to town which allows for fun walking field trips.



Salt Spring Co-Operative Preschool
 110 Aldous Road
 Salt Spring Island, B.C.
 V8K 2R7
 250-537-8445

Parent participation preschool for children 3 and 4 years old.

 Operates September through June

A parent owned and operated preschool that works with a qualified Early Childhood Educator to deliver a quality, age appropriate, play based program. We are a community working together to create a supportive and special place for children's early learning.

www.saltspringcooppreschool.com
saltspringcooperativepreschool@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/saltspringcooppreschool>



Tara Brown's Family Daycare
 200 Maliview Drive
 Salt Spring Island
 V8K 1B7
 250-538-0340
tarabrown@telus.net

Open year round
 Monday - Friday 8:00-4:00
 Accepts enrollment of all ages (under 1 year old up to and including school age children)

Full day of fun activities for learning and play. Includes time in our classroom and large playroom balancing alphabetical, numerical activities, and games as well as singing, dancing, arts and crafts, with loads of imaginative play. Outside time is honored twice a day, rain or shine. Children are nurtured towards their emotional, social and academic growth. Emphasizing fun in all areas, we support each child to feel confident in themselves and the friendships they make.



Topham Family Child Care
 165 Long Harbour Road
 SSI, BC V8K 2K9
 250 537-9835

Program: Day Care and After School Care. We are on the school bus route.
 Ages: 1 to 5

Please visit our website to learn about our facility and philosophy.
www.tophamchildcare.wordpress.com



Fulford Harbour Child Care Society
 215 Southridge Rd
 (250) 653-4998
treefrogdaycare@shaw.ca
www.treefrogdaycare.com

We provide care for children from newborn until they begin kindergarten, (infant/toddler and preschool aged rooms.) Monday to Friday 8am-5pm year round. Parents are able to establish the 2 to 5 day per week childcare schedule that works best for their family.

Tree Frog is a non-profit daycare located next door to Fulford Elementary School. Our "Learning Through Play" approach and our wooded yard offer many opportunities to explore. Our Preschool "Big Room" team engages children in a program structured to allow children to have a preschool experience within a full day childcare program. The focus in the Infant Toddler room remains more individualized, respecting and following the routines parents and their children have established.
<http://www.facebook.com/frogcare>



Family Place is a free community resource and drop-in centre for parents, caregivers, and children ages 0-6.

Stay and Play Drop-In Tuesdays 12-3 and Thursdays 12:30 - 3pm (light lunch incl) and Fridays 10am-1pm (snack incl)




Dad N' Me Pancake Breakfast Saturdays 8:30-10am. //Toy library Thursday afternoons.

For other parent child programs and parent education programs, please call Family Place. Wonderful networking for new families. Free laundry, Internet, and clothing exchange available to families while in attendance.

FAMILY PLACE

120 Park Drive, SSI
250 -537- 9176

familyplace@ssics.ca /www.saltspringcommunityservices.ca

<p>PENDER ISLAND MAYNE ISLAND</p>		
 <p>Dragonfly Child Care and Family Resource Centre Pender Island Child Care Society 5714 Canal Road, Pender Island 250-629-3039</p>	<p>Dragonfly offers a variety of Family Resource Programs weekly and monthly. Child Care programs run Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 to 4 for children 18 months to 5 years.</p>	<p>Pender Island Child Care Society is a not for profit group that believes that children learn best in a nurturing environment where there is time for both planned and child-directed activities, indoor and outdoor play, and active and quiet times. Outdoor play revolves around forest walks and gardening. At Dragonfly an atmosphere of gentleness allows for a variety of experiences for each child - music, art, yoga, literacy and math based educational opportunities. Staff continually expand their education to meet the needs of the community. www.dragonflycentre.ca</p>
 <p>Port Washington Montessori 1204 Port Washington Road Pender Island, B.C. 250-629-6114</p>	<p>Open year around from Monday-Friday 9am-5pm. Programs are offered morning, afternoon and all-day for children age 6 months to 12 years old.</p>	<p>Port Washington Montessori is a licensed multi-age learning environment filled with opportunities for hands-on learning, outdoor exploration, art, music, and story. Weekly trips to Victoria include instruction in swimming, skating and gymnastics. Our mixed-age grouping provides a uniquely supportive environment honoring the development of each child as an individual.</p>
 <p>Mayne Island Early Childhood Society Tina Farmilo 250-539-2402</p>	<p>Mondays -Parent-Child Mother Goose 10-11am -Stay & Play 11am-noon -Toy & Book Lending Library. - Additional Programs eg. Swimming, available at other times.</p>	<p>Mayne Island Early Childhood Society is a non profit working towards making good things happen for families with young children in the Mayne Island community. https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mayne-Island-Early-Childhood-Society/234916409896844</p>

Strong Start BC: Early Learning for Families (ELF)

Providing quality learning environments for adults and their young children, aged birth to five, at no cost to families. Qualified early childhood educators lead learning activities, including stories, music and art. Children will benefit from social interactions while the adults who accompany them learn new ways to support learning, both at the program and at home. The programs in the gulf islands are hosted by local public schools.

LOCATED ON SALT SPRING, PENDER, GALIANO, MAYNE, AND SATURNA ISLAND.

PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM DAYS AND TIMES

Fernwood Elementary 150 Fernwood Road Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1C5 250-537-9332	Mondays 8:30 – 11:30 Thursdays 12:30 – 3:30
Fulford Community School 203 South Ridge Drive Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1Y9 250-653-9223	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thursday 8:15 – 11:15
Salt Spring Elementary 122 Rainbow Road Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2K3 250-538-7706 facebook/Salt Spring ELF	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thursday 8:30 – 11:30
Galiano Community School 1290 Sturdies Bay Road Galiano Island, BC, V0N 1P0 250-539-2261	Monday and Wednesday 9:15 – 12:15
Mayne Island School 535 Fernhill Road Mayne Island, BC V0N 2J0 250-539-2371	Tuesdays & Thursday 9am-12:00
Pender Islands Elementary 5714 Canal Road Pender Island, BC V0N 2M1 250-629-3711	Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 – 11:30
Saturna Island School 121 Sunset Blvd. Saturna Island, BC V0N 2Y0 250-539-2472	Wednesdays 9am -12:00