Licensed Centres and Early Learning on the Gulf Islands

Gulf Islands Early Years Table: giearlyyears@ssics.ca

GALIANO ISLAND



Galiano Community Daycare Galiano Community School - Room 6 250-539-5434

galianodaycare@gmail.com

Licensed Multi-Age program open year-round on Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Our full day program is available for kids 18 months to kindergarten age. Our half day program is available for kids 12 months.-3 years.

Galiano Daycare is a program of the non-profit Galiano Activity Centre Society. We are happy to offer a play-based program that is almost entirely outdoors, with access to the nearby forest, playground, community greenhouse and school garden. Our experienced and passionate staff strive to empower children by building skills to care for themselves and each other.

MAYNE ISLAND



Mayne Island Early Childhood Society 250-539-2402 www.miearlychildhood.ca www.mayneislanddayare.ca maynedaycare@gmail.com Mayne Island Daycare offers year round licensed daycare for infant, toddler and preschool aged children.

Mon. and Thurs. 11:45-5:45 Tues, Wed and Fri. 8:30-4:30 Mayne Island Early Childhood Society (MIECS) is a non- profit organization that offers community programs including Mayne Island Daycare. Our mission is to give support and develop programs for families with young children with particular focus on the needs of infants, toddlers and preschool aged children.

PENDER ISLAND



Dragonfly Child Care and Family Resource Centre Pender Island Child Care Society 5714 Canal Road, Pender Island 250-629-3039

www.dragonflycentre.ca dragonflyfamilycentre@gmail.com Dragonfly licensed Child Care programs include Tuesdays, Pre- K class for children ages 4 & 5 and a multi-age program for children 18mos.-5 yrs. Fostering self-esteem and respect, children spend the majority of their day outside playing, observing and growing connected to the world around them.

Pender Island Child Care Society offers free drop in programs, parent education courses, a book lending library, self-care kits and resource kits.



Port Washington Montessori 1204 Port Washington Road Pender Island, B.C. 250-629-6114 Open year around from Monday-Friday 9am-5pm. Programs are offered morning, afternoon and allday for children age 6 months to 12 years old. 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.

SALT SPRING ISLAND



FAMILY PLACE

120 Park Drive, SSI

250 -537- 9176

Family Place

Family Place provides a welcoming, inclusive environment for families with children under 6 yrs. old to connect with each other, access resources and staff support. A variety of free programs are offered throughout the year including Prenatal and Parenting workshops, the Island Infant Circle, Stay and Play, Parent-Child Mother Goose, Dad and Me Pancake Breakfast and Community Kitchen. Resources include Food Security, Parent Lending library, Clothing Exchange and more!

Please call / email or check the website for our seasonal program schedules: 250-537-9176 familyplace@ssics.ca www.saltspringcommunityservices.ca/family-place/



Amelia's Place Family Childcare 250.538.7212 ameliaschildcare@gmail.com

Licensed family childcare for children 1 year to early school age.

Play and nature based. Located in the Central/Long Harbour area.



Little Blue Early Learning Centre (250) 221-BLUE (2583) 324 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, V8K 2K6

littleblue2583@gmail.com www.littleblueearlylearningcentre.ca Licensed Multi-age Centre (2 – 5 yrs.)
Infant/ Toddler Centre (under 3 years old).

Our philosophy is learning and discovering through play. We actively create safe outside and inside environments; rich with opportunities to exploring their interest and challenge their capabilities. Maximum 8 children per session.



Little Red Schoolhouse 1365 Beaver Point Rd Salt Spring Island, V8K 1W9 250-653-4343

earlylearning@littleredschoolhouse.ca

September to June

Group Care License 3 to 5 year olds

Monday - Thursday 9:15 to 2:45

www.littleredschoolhouse.ca

Little Red Schoolhouse Society is a nonprofit organization that provides quality early learning opportunities for island families. Our programs are nature based and our facility is located in a forest setting. Outdoor and indoor programs based on learning through play, combining many learning philosophies, but always including child led exploration and hands on activities.



Morning Glory Daycare Preschool in the south end of Salt Spring Island 250- 653-9545 kimsyurt@gmail.com Morning Glory is a home based Waldorf initiative operating throughout the year. Ages 3-7 Tuesday to Thursday 10am-3pm Creating an enriching creative experience for children and families with an emphasis on the rhythm of the day. Play is sacred here. Choose play, chopping vegetables, baking, sweeping, painting or the craft of the day. We celebrate several festivals a year with family participation.1-2 hours outside every day with a beach walk, a farm/forest/marsh hike or a rainforest adventure all 5 minutes from the door.



Salt Spring Early Learning Centre 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 playbased 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

info@saltspringcooppreschool.com

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

https://www.facebook.com/saltspringcooppreschool

Tara Brown's Family Daycare 200 Maliview Drive Salt Spring Island V8K 1B7



taracbrown@shaw.ca

Open year round Monday - Friday 8:00-4:00 Accepts enrollment of ages one year old up to school age children. Our day is full of imaginative play as well as engaging games and activities for learning all while outside time is honoured rain or shine in a natural forested backyard setting. With learning or play, the emphasis here is on having fun and feeling confident within yourself and the friendships made.

tree Frog

Fulford Harbour Child Care Society 215 Southridge Rd (250) 653-4998 treefrogdaycare@shaw.ca Year round care for children from newborn until kindergarten.

Tree Frog is the non-profit daycare beside Fulford School. Our "Learning Through Play" approach & wooded yard offer many opportunities to explore. Our "Big Room" team engages children in a program designed to provide a preschool experience within a full day program. The Infant Toddler room follows the routines families have established.

http://www.facebook.com/frogcare www.treefrogdaycare.com

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 Galiano, Mayne, Pender, Salt Spring and Saturna Islands





Fernwood Elementary 150 Fernwood Road Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1C5 250-537-9332	Monday and Wednesday 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 8:30 – 11:30
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 9:00 – 12:00
Mayne Island School 535 Fernhill Road Mayne Island, BC V0N 2J0 250-539-2371	Tuesdays & Thursday 8:45– 11:45
Pender Islands Elementary 5714 Canal Road Pender Island, BC V0N 2M1 250-629-3711	Thursday 8:30 – 11:30
Saturna Island School 121 Sunset Blvd. Saturna Island, BC V0N 2Y0 250-539-2472	Tuesday and Thursdays 12:30 – 3:30