



Happy New Year!

It's December 2020 and time for a new year. Here's to a safe and healthy 2021! Like many organizations in our community, we've faced challenges this year. During the COVID-19 lockdown, we took the opportunity to not only deep clean our childcare centres, but to re-imagine them. And we've launched this monthly newsletter to point to what's new on our website. Please check it out: "Thank you for the opportunity to share in your child's journey." churchillpark.ca

EXECUTIVE TEAM UPDATE

As you probably know, we advocate for building a family- and child-centric culture based on inspiring collaborative efforts. We aim for child-led, play-based program excellence. The importance of the right physical environment cannot be under-stated. In this blog post, we talk about some of the research we follow that keeps us on track. [More](#)



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FEATURED CENTRES

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, we haven't been able to welcome families into any of our centres. Still, despite the challenges, we've taken the opportunity to re-imagine all of them and to open a brand new centre, Kahanoff, in Calgary's Beltline area. Although you cannot currently visit in person, we've used the latest cutting-edge technology – Google 360 Virtual Tours – to offer online walk-throughs of both our Kahanoff and Play Penn centres. Check them out on Google Maps and/or on our website! [Kahanoff Virtual Tour](#)
[Play Penn Virtual Tour](#)



NEW PARENT RESOURCES

We see ourselves as a partner in your child's journey, physically, emotionally and creatively. Check our website regularly for resources. Our rich educational programs and emergent curriculum nurture your children's imaginations and potential. We look forward to posting more resources that will assist you in bringing joy and excitement to their routines at home.

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TEAM FOCUS



We take great pride in supporting other agencies and giving back to the community.

This Holiday Season, The Sunridge team decided to support Children's Cottage. See what that means by watching this [YouTube video](https://youtu.be/QJt-3f28kRM) (youtu.be/QJt-3f28kRM) and check out our blog post on the initiative. [More](#)

While every Churchill Park team member is incredibly important, we also like to acknowledge over-the-top effort by individuals (as parts of the whole) with a little extra recognition! This month, for "Making a Difference," we salute Selamawit at Parkside and Robyn at Bright Lights. [More](#)

The Pump-Kin Patch team, meanwhile, set out a donation bin and Christmas wish list for the Drop-In Centre. Thanks to the generosity of our families, Christmas will be brighter at the Drop-In Centre. [More](#)



CALGARY READS FREE PROGRAM

Reading aloud is a beautiful way all families can foster curiosity, creativity, vocabulary and emotional connections — all with lasting benefits for our young learners (and for the adults they share this time with). We hope you enjoy our wee read aloud resources and the free tools that go with them! [More](#)



FROM THE KIDS' ZONE

We believe children are naturally curious and want to learn. Our environment encourages exploration and independence with ample opportunities for children to practice new skills. Here's some of their recent art! [More](#)



IN THE KITCHEN

And just like that, the snow began to fly, the temperatures dropped and we started to see more Holiday Season lights than ever before. It seems like this year, everyone is more ready than ever for a heartwarming and tummy-pleasing Turkey Dinner on December 25. Here's a replay of Chef Caroline's great recipe (from last year)! [More](#)