

July 2019

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

We would like to introduce and welcome **Janice Dolliver**, **EarlyON Facilitator** to Parkhill! Starting in October, Janice will be facilitating the Play & Learn Drop-in Program on Friday mornings.

Janice is a Registered Early Childhood Educator, with 34 years' experience in the early years' field. For the past 15 years she has been with the Ontario Early Years Centre which changed to the Middlesex EarlyON Child & Family Centre in 2018. She currently works out of Ilderton EarlyON. She has past experience in operating a day care in London for 8 years, providing Home Child Care in Coldstream, and managing the former Middlesex Children's Resource Centre, which later became the Ontario Early Years Satellite in Strathroy. She has 3 daughters (ages 24, 27 & 29), and lives with her husband in Coldstream.

Janice will be joining Jenny Burns in August to introduce herself and get to know you & your children in preparation for the transition in October.

We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to **Jenny Burns** for her support to the Parkhill program over the years. She will be greatly missed in Parkhill. Jenny will continue to work with Middlesex EarlyON facilitating programs in other locations. Big thanks to Jenny!

Background

On October 1, 2019 Middlesex EarlyON Child and Family Centres will be managed and delivered by the Middlesex County Library. Currently Perth Care for Kids oversees program delivery in Komoka, Thorndale, Ilderton, Lucan and Dorchester and North Lambton Child Care Centre oversees program delivery in Strathroy, Glencoe and Parkhill. This change to a library-based service delivery model is in response to feedback received from parents and caregivers about where they would like to access programs and services for their children. It is as well a natural transition for parents and caregivers as currently EarlyON programming is offered in 6 of 15 library locations across Middlesex County.

Contact Information

If you have any questions about this change or any suggestions on how we can improve EarlyON programs and services, please contact Nadine Devin, Early Years Project Manager, <u>ndevin@middlesex.ca</u> / 519.245.8237 ext. 4023.

