



*Season's Greetings to you and your families!
Holiday closing: December 26, 2011 to January 6, 2012
Re-opening: January 9, 2012*

St. John Fisher Neighbourhood Learning Place welcomes all families with children aged 0-6 years! We provide **free drop-in** play-based programs that promote literacy, numeracy and school readiness skills. We are located in St. John Fisher School Catholic Elementary School in room 12 near the Junior Kindergarten classroom and the access door is through the kindergarten playground.

We have many exciting themes planned for January including: **New Year, Family Literacy Day, Chinese New Year and Winter**. We offer a range of programs as follows:

Play and Learn program focuses on learning through play and sets the stage for school readiness.
Discovering Together focuses on building, creating mini projects, and science and math concepts.
Active Play and Games encourages the children to get moving with a variety of active play activities that promotes gross motor development and group games. Outdoor play will be promoted when possible.
Roots of Reading is offered in partnership with Brampton Library and focuses on the six important literacy skills necessary to develop reading and writing readiness.
Ready Set Learn focuses on school readiness skills, and small and large group activities.
Cook and Learn promotes interest in learning to make and try a variety of healthy snacks.
Hour Together is a social meeting time for parents and caregivers to connect with each other and discuss a variety of topics.

Parent Workshops

- **Budgeting presentation** will be offered on Monday, January 16 @ 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Part 2 of the Hour Together presentation is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18 @ 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
- **Emergent Writing** is facilitated by the Early Literacy Specialist for Peel on Thursday, January 19th @ 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. She will also have a special Literacy Day activity.

Consulting services are available to families by appointment including **Speech and Language, Preschool Consultant and Settlement**.

For further information and to register for programs, services and workshops please contact 905-793-8900 extension 52611.

