



**Child Care**  
is just around  
the corner!



## **New YMCA of Oakville Infant, Toddler & Preschool Child Care Centre Opening Soon at St. Michael!**

The YMCA of Oakville is pleased to announce the opening of a new Infant, Toddler & Preschool Child Care Centre this spring located at St. Michael Catholic Elementary School. The Toddler Room (ages 18 months - 2.5 years) and Preschool Room (ages 2.5-3.8 years) will open on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 and the Infant Room will open later in the spring (date to be confirmed).

Since 1990, the YMCA has been operating the popular Before and After School child care program at St. Michael's for our students ages 3.8 years to 12 years old. As one of the most trusted providers of licensed child care in Oakville, they offer all children opportunities to learn, grow, thrive and lead. The positive, safe and nurturing environments help provide children with the tools and resources they need to reach their full potential!

The YMCA Playing to Learn curriculum guides the program for infant, toddler and preschool children. This nationally recognized curriculum is based on the widely accepted philosophy that young children learn best through play. The qualified early childhood educators facilitate play experiences that will help the children develop foundational skills in language and literacy, mathematics, science and technology and the arts. These foundational skills help to foster a lifelong appreciation for learning that will ultimately assist your child in achieving future academic success.

The before and after-school programs, for school-age children, are guided by our YMCA Place to Connect curriculum. The YMCA teachers observe the interests of the children in their care and plan an active, engaging play-based program centred around those interests. The before and after school programs are designed to develop and enhance social skills like leadership, teamwork, problem solving and conflict resolution. They provide ample opportunity for choice and are designed to help children form meaningful relationships with their peers and feel connected to their community.

### **Reserve Your Space**

To learn more about the YMCA Child Care programs available at St. Michael, for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old, or to reserve your space in any of our Preschool Programs or our Before and After School Program, contact Stacey Willins at [staceywi@oakville.ymca.ca](mailto:staceywi@oakville.ymca.ca) or 905-580-7092.