

### 2017 SUMMER RESPITE SERVICE

Once again this year, participants aged 3 to 24 years old will have the opportunity to enjoy a stay in our Summer respite service, once their registration has been confirmed. The Summer Respite Service welcomes individuals with autism spectrum disorders who live with their natural families.

The Summer Respite Service aims to provide support and respite for families, as well as enable participants to preserve the skills they have learned throughout the school year. All participants will have the opportunity to attend a camp session, in which they will be exposed to new experiences through their daily activities. The camp emphasizes the pleasure of learning alongside one's peers. We also work on helping participants develop a greater sense of autonomy, allowing them to take pride in their accomplishments, and to participate actively in community life. We select individual activities, group activities as well as outings in the community and municipal facilities.

#### **The Summer Respite Service is divided into 3 sections:**

**Bergamote section:** for participants aged 3 to 15 years old.

**Rock-Camp-Bol section:** for participants aged 14 to 24 years old.

**Wasabi section:** for participants with severe behavior problems and/or special needs.

The Summer Respite Service offers a ratio of one shadow for each participant, which can be adjusted as necessary.

#### **BERGAMOTE:**

**1<sup>st</sup> stay** = June 26 to July 21, 2017

**2<sup>nd</sup> stay** = July 24 to August 18, 2017

#### **ROCK-CAMP-BOL AND WASABI** (socialisation group of Rock-Camp-Bol):

**1<sup>st</sup> stay** = July 3 to July 25, 2017 (3 weeks and 2 days)

**2<sup>nd</sup> stay** = July 27 to August 18, 2017 (3 weeks and 2 days)

**TIME:** Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Daycare service available for a fee of \$14/hour (from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.).

**FEES:** You must be a member of Autisme Montréal (\$30/year).

The camp fees are \$900 for 4 weeks participation at Bergamote.

The camp fees are \$800 for 3 weeks and 2 days at Rock-Camp-Bol and Wasabi.

Fees include registration, activities and outings.

For more information about the procedures and registration date, please click on the following link: <http://autisme-montreal.com/en/our-services/summer-respite-service/>

For more information about other summer respite service in Montreal click on the following link: <http://autisme-montreal.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/r%C3%A9pertoire-camp-ANG-2017.pdf>

### SHADOWING-BABYSITTING SERVICE

#### Minimum Wage Increase

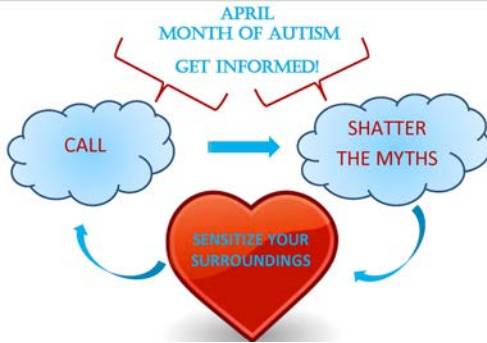
The Minister responsible for Labour, Mrs. Dominique Vien, as well as the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity, Mr. François Blais, have announced that the minimum wage in Quebec will go up by 50 cents on May 1, 2017, bringing the total to \$11.25 per hour.

For the users of Autism Montreal shadowing-babysitting service, this increase has an impact on previous and future agreements between families and shadows. Indeed, Autism Montreal recommends that families using this service give their shadows a salary equivalent or superior to minimum wage.

We wish to thank the families using this service for taking into account the wage increase announced by the government, which will be effective on May 1st. Should you have any questions about this or our shadowing-babysitting service, please do not hesitate to contact us at 514-524-6114, ext. 3162.

## APRIL: AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

This year, Autisme Montréal will take the opportunity of the autism month to promote awareness amongst the general public. The signature of our messages will be: GET INFORMED. By doing so, we are asking people to find out more about autism and the situation of our cause in Quebec.



During the month of April, we will propose several awareness activities, such as the familiarization day with Aéroports de Montréal, a dancing evening, a fair for artists and entrepreneurs with ASD, awareness videos, the Scotiabank Charity Challenge. To end the month, we invite you to attend our Walk for Autism, which will be held in Montreal, on Saturday, April 29, in the Ville-Marie borough. You will find all the information about the dates and places of each of the activities in our next Newsletters.

### MAISONNETTE SPRING 2017

It is already time to think about registering your child to the 2017 winter respite weekends at La Maisonnette. Registrations must be done by phone on **February 13, 2017 starting at 8:30 a.m.** by calling the Responsable of Direct Services.

Please note that registrations will be made according to the order of the phone calls received, so the principle of first come, first served will be applied. If you reach the voice mail, you can leave a message with your name, the name of your child, your telephone number as well as the desired dates, in order of preference.

To consult the calendar, please click on the link below. Please note that you are entitled to one weekend per season.

<http://autisme-montreal.com/en/our-services/weekend-respite/>



### NOS COORDONNÉES

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**Pour les coordonnées complètes de l'équipe consulter le :**

**<http://autisme-montreal.com/qui-sommes-nous/employees/>**



## RL-24 SLIPS

In February, Autisme Montréal will provide you with an RL-24 slip, on which you will find the amounts you have paid for camps and weekend respites at La Maisonnette for fiscal year 2016. The RL-24 slip may be used for your personal income taxes to claim tax credits, if applicable.

We will contact you over the next few days so that you may give us the name and social insurance number of the person to whom we should address the slip.

### WE ARE RUNNING DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL!

Autisme Montréal has officially registered for the Scotiabank Charity Challenge, next April 22 and 23. The event will take place at Parc Jean-Drapeau and this year, there will be a 10K run as well as the Kids Run, especially for children.

You enjoy running and you would like to support the organization? Please register at the following address:

<http://canadarunningseries.com/bsm-caritatif/autisme-montreal/>

21K = \$60

10K = \$45

5K = \$35

5K with baby stroller = \$45

Kids Run = \$20

If you raise an amount corresponding to twice your registration fees, they will be reimbursed to you.

For more information please contact 514-524-6114 ext.3142