

COM06**For IMMEDIATE release****Enjoy the spring break!****February 26 to March 7**

Châteauguay, February 23, 2021 – Spring break is rapidly approaching! In view of the sanitary measures in force, spring break will be different this year, but just as much fun! Although day camps are not allowed in the red zone, children can have fun and enjoy the many activities offered by the Ville de Châteauguay.

EXTENSION OF THE GROSSE BORDÉE

By popular demand, the Grosse Bordée and its avalanche of fun will continue to unfurl in March! Many activities await you in our parks and at home:

Sliding hills

Bring your sleds, saucers and sliding mats and come along to our great sliding hills! Four sites are open for you: **Parc Honoré-Mercier** (which offers no fewer than two slides, behind the Centre culturel Georges-P.-Vanier), **Parc Charles-de-Gaulle** (3 Boulevard De Gaulle) and **Parc Oliver** (Rue Maple and Rue Stanton Est) along with the **Centre écologique Fernand-Seguin** (257 Rue Fernand-Seguin).

Outdoor skating rinks

Between 1.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., put on your skates and come along to the city's many outdoor skating rinks:

- **Parc H.S. Billings** (210 Rue McLeod)
- **Parc Marcel-Seers** (intersection of Boulevard D'Youville and Rue Girouard)
- **Parc Oliver** (intersection of Rue Maple and Rue Stanton Est)
- **Parc Sutterlin** (intersection of Rue Saint-Ferdinand and Rue Adam)
- **Agora** (75 boulevard Maple)

You can also go to the skating rink at **Parc Saint-Denis** (Rue Saint-Denis) which is maintained by a team of volunteers.

You do not need to book in advance to go skating. The maximum capacity is **25 skaters** on the ice at the same time at each outdoor skating rink.

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Traditional games

Go to ville.chateauguay.qc.ca/grosse-bordee and climb up to the virtual attic. Many surprises await you: crazy challenges, a treasure hunt, games that get you moving, DIY and much more! Visit the official page every day to discover the 14 games hidden there. Take part in an interactive rally and discover the clues by following a trail across Châteauguay's outdoor sites; this is an original way of discovering new places!

Escouade Loisirs

Escouade Loisirs is continuing its journey across the city's parks through informative and crazy video clips. Follow on [Activ'été Facebook](#) page to be among the first to find out about the mad adventures organized by Escouade Loisirs!

CONTACT WITH NATURE**Refuge faunique Marguerite-D'Youville (île Saint-Bernard)**

Put on your boots and take the 8 kms of marked trails at your own pace to contemplate nature in the wildlife reserve. Take this opportunity to stop and have a break at the Café de l'île where you can buy takeaway meals and drinks to enjoy during your hike. Details: ilesaintbernard.com

Centre écologique Fernand-Seguin

From February 27 to March 7, the Centre écologique Fernand-Seguin is opening its equipment rental centre every day from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. The rental of cross-country skis, snowshoes, trekking poles and crampons is possible to let you fully enjoy the trails nestled in the heart of nature. Details: <https://cefseguin.com/location-dequipement/>

STAY AT HOME AND HAVE FUN**Virtual workshops at the Bibliothèque Raymond-Laberge**

The Bibliothèque Raymond-Laberge is offering fun online activities in the form of virtual workshops via Zoom. On **Monday, March 1 at 10.00 a.m.**, children from age 7 to 12 are invited to make their own dancing robot during the "Robot danseur: les héros" [*Dancing robot - Heros*] workshop. On **Friday, March 5 at 1.00 p.m.**, children from age 6 to 12 will be able to make coloured soap using the designs and fragrances of their choice, by taking part in the "Savons rigolos" [*Funny soap*] activity.

A kit containing all materials needed for each workshop will be given to the participants so that they can do the activity at home. You must book in advance by phone at 450 698-3080. Free for library members. For more information, go to the "Bibliothèque Raymond-Laberge" section on our website at ville.chateauguay.qc.ca/bibliotheque/accueil/ or on the library's Facebook page at facebook.com/BibliothequeRaymondLaberge/.

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“En attendant le printemps” [Waiting for spring] workshop-in-a-box organized by Maison LePailleur

La Maison LePailleur is organizing a takeaway workshop-in-a-box. **For \$30**, each box contains all materials needed and instructions to make the three designs inspired by botanical illustrations: *J’invente ma plante* [I invent my plant], *Couronne printanière* [Spring crown] and *Mes planches de botanique* [My botanical illustrations]. To book a box, call 450 698-3193 or send an email to info@smgc.qc.ca or by Facebook at facebook.com/maisonLe-Pailleur/

VIRTUAL SHOWS

For entertainment lovers, the Ville de Châteauguay is offering two virtual shows for free. On **Monday, March 1, from 6.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.**, **La magie de la chimie** will blow you away! Yannick Bergeron is inviting us to his laboratory to discover spectacular and phenomenal experiments! **Wednesday, March 3 at 2.00 p.m.**, live from the Pavillon de l’île, **Bill Bestiole** will let us discover insects and other creatures through laughter and music. An interactive show designed to help us get over our fears and learn to love insects. At the end, we’ll be saying “wow” instead of “yikes”!

To watch the shows, please write to us at least **24 hours in advance** at billetterie@ville.chateauguay.qc.ca. An email including a link and password will be sent for each show.

Video clips by the Activ’Été team

From Monday 1 to Friday 5 March, the Activ’Été team will post a daily video clip encouraging children to get moving! DIY and cooking workshops will be included in the subjects on offer. There will be an event every day of the week on the Activ’Été Facebook page (facebook.com/ActivEteChateauguay).

For the full spring break programming, go to our website at ville.chateauguay.qc.ca/camp-de-jour/relache-scolaire/programmation-complete.

In view of the recent easing of restrictions announced by the government authorities, some facilities are reopening their doors from February 27. This is the case for the Centre sportif Polydium and the Centre multisport.

Free skating

Free skating is returning to the **Centre multisport**. Spring break schedule will be available soon at : centremultisportchateauguay.com centremultisportchateauguay.com

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Free swim

The Polydium its reopening its doors from February 27 at 9.00 a.m. for free swim fans. To see the schedule, please go to: polydium.ca

Happy spring break to you all!

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