



Discovery Tree (DT) Monthly June 2007

Director's Corner

Dear DT Families,

SUMMER KICK-OFF

Summer is upon us! June kicks off our summer fun themes. Check your calendar regularly and look for posted signs around school for coming events! It's



time for sunscreen, bathing suits, swim diapers, changes of clothes, and WATER SHOES for water play and warm outdoor surfaces. Please make sure you've signed a permission slip for "sunscreen" if your child needs protection for outside play. Also, in order for children to play in the water and cool off, they will need a swim suit and/or swim diapers to keep at school. Don't forget the towels too!



THANK YOU!!!

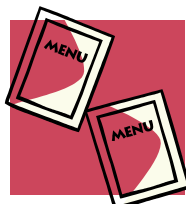
What an awesome show of appreciation and affection from our parents and the Kid Ease Board to our school and all of the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week and providers' Appreciation Day. We cannot thank you enough for all of the treats that you shared with us. It means so much to us.



SPRING CLEANING

Since it is that time of year that many parents start to go through their things, the school is looking for the following items for our school:

- Any take out menu's from the following types of restaurants: Italian, Chinese, Japanese, and Mexican. We need



these for our Dramatic Play Area.

- Plastic books for the Babies,
- Infant Walkers, and
- Baby Gyms.



If you can think of anything else give me a call.

Thanks,

~Becca

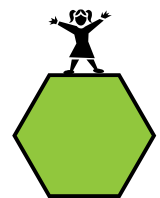


Important Dates:

Pajama Day	1st
Kid Ease Board Mtg.	6th
Tuition Due	4th, 11th, 18th & 25th
Gymnastics	18th & 28th
Tuition is Late	5th, 12th, 19th & 26th
Share Days	6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
Piano Man	15th

Learning Themes

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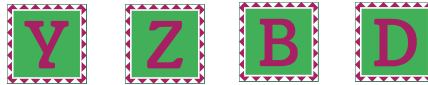


The color of the month is *lavender*.

Our learning themes for the month are *Summer* and *Water*. We will re-view :

- Letter *y* the week of 6/4
- letter *Z* the week of 6/11
- letter *B* the week of 6/18
- Letter *D* the week of 6/25

Preschool News



This month the learning themes are *Summer Celebration* and *Water Works*. We will be talking about water play, what is summer solstice, why we have longer days and the differences in rivers,



lakes and oceans during this season. We will be learning about the color *Lavender*. The shape for the month



will be a *hexagon*. The letters for the month are *Y, Z, B, and D*.

We would like to welcome Nolan Donahue to the preschool classroom. He will be starting his transition this month. *Pajama Day* will

be on June 1st. So dust off those bunny slippers and get ready for a fun and relaxing day.

Chickens — For the month of June we will be exploring the summer sun. The Chickens will also continue practicing our small motor skills

Little Feet — The Little Feet will be heeding the call of the wild this month as we learn about jungle animals and their homes. We will also be jetting off for outer space. On the way we will be working with our calendar as well as keeping



up in our journals. Keep an eye out for new letters and words to be appearing. Yeah Little Feets!!!

Nemos — During the month of June, the Nemos will continue our weekly writing activities. Some of us are starting to recognize our names! We will also explore our theme of "summer" and water play. Go Nemos!!!!

Giraffes — Are looking forward to our field trip to the Zoo on June 14th with the Little Feets.



Infant and Toddler News

INFANT NEWS

Well I think the warm weather is finally here to stay. It is time to begin some summer fun. We will be engaging in some water exploration very soon. Please bring swim diapers and sunscreen for you child.

how quickly they change.

Reminders — Please label all of your child's refrigerated food, including the date on which you brought it. Any food over 24 hours old will be thrown away. Similarly, if any food or bottle is unlabeled, it will be thrown away. Please remember to take everything home with you every night.

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Welcome — We have three new friends starting this month. Chase (Megan's Brother) has been visiting occasionally but

will be here on a regular basis from now on. Aiden and Caitlyn Kato will be with us two days a week as well. We are very excited to meet them. Please take some time to welcome them to our school.

Transitions — Rachel is moving over to the toddler program and is having the time of her life. Nolan will start transitioning to the preschool program as well. He has been visiting and having a wonderful time. Have fun you two!!!

Movers and Shakers — Mark is sitting up on his own. Sawyer pulling himself up to a stand and Emmett and Jay are walking. Good Work!

TODDLER NEWS

How time flies! It is summer already.

Transitions — Ava has transitioned to the preschool program and is having a wonderful time.

Learning Themes — This month, we will be exploring the color Lavender and the geometric shape hexagon. We will be introducing these concepts during our art projects. The children will be planting lavender plants to add to our garden. Our strawberries are starting to produce fruit. Yummy! We will be starting water play this month. Splish— Splash!!!

Thank You — Big thank you to Becca and our Kid Ease parent board for the cool new water table/easels. We are having a fantastic time splashing in the water and creating art outside.

Kid Ease Parent Board

Open House & Annual Kid Ease Meeting

Thank you to everyone that assisted with and/or attended last month's Discovery Tree Open House and Kid Ease Annual member meeting. It was a wonderful evening. It is always great for the children to show off their work. It is also nice for the parents to learn more about Kid Ease and how to become as active as possible. We are incredibly fortunate to have such extraordinary teachers and supportive parent board. Together, we all make our development center an exciting and engaging place to learn and grow! Thank you!!!

Let them Know!!!

Please continue to use the Communication Binder to share your experiences with DT staff. Your feedback is important!!!



Kid Ease Web Site (www.kid-ease.org)

Thanks to Meirve Davey, we have an awesome web site. Please take a moment to bookmark this site on your computer(s) for future reference. This is a great way for you to stay up-to-date on Kid-Ease events, meetings, etc. as well as to keep in touch with the Board of Directors and Officers.

Participation

Interested in getting involved? Please check out our website at www.kid-ease.org to learn more about Kid Ease and how you can get involved.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 6th at 12 pm in Training Room 2 E & W in the CalEPA building. If you are not an employee in the CalEPA building, please check-in at the Security desk. The Agenda will be provided via the Google group e-mail list. Additionally, the agenda and March meeting minutes will be posted on the bulletin boards to the left of the sign-in binders.