



# Discovery Tree (DT) Monthly July 2007

## Director's Corner

Dear DT Families,

### CONFERENCE FUNDRAISING

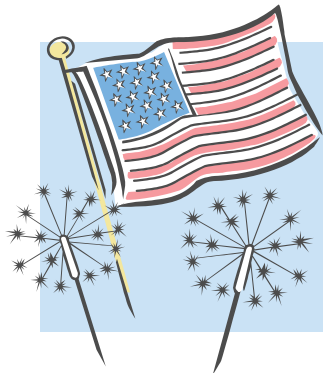
We have all kinds of fun and exciting things planned this summer. All of the Discovery Tree directors have been working hard to develop a fundraising strategy, so that we can attend the Professional Association for Childhood Education (PACE) Conference in Anaheim, as a component of our continuing education. Our first fundraiser last month, the DT sleep-over, was a super success.

Over the next few months we will also be hosting *Parent Night Outs* at all of our downtown locations — each school hosting a separate night. There will be a small fee. If you are interested, the following are the exciting upcoming dates for you to consider:



- Friday July 13<sup>th</sup> at our N Street School;
- Friday July 20<sup>th</sup> at our P Street School;
- July 27<sup>th</sup> at our Q Street location;
- Friday August 3<sup>rd</sup> our H Street will be hosting;
- I Street hosts on Friday August 24<sup>th</sup>; and
- At our newest location on Friday August 31<sup>st</sup>.

So, please come and help me, your director, raise funds for this amazing conference opportunity in October.



### HOLIDAY WEEK PLANNING

There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for the holiday week. If you expect any changes during the week of July 4<sup>th</sup> please let us know so that we can staff the teachers accordingly.



### WELCOME NICO!!!

We would like to welcome Nico to our school. He is our new chef! Nico has been doing an excellent job and is a great addition to our DT family.

For those of you who have not yet heard Elaine has transitioned into our pre-school program and is now our support staff person. Great job Elaine!!! We will miss you in the kitchen, but look forward to all the preschool fun ahead!

### SUNSCREEN APPLICATION

Please remember to apply sun block to your child in the morning before you come to school. We are spending lots of time outdoors. The teachers apply the sunscreen in the afternoon only. So, please make sure you remember to apply in the morning.



~Becca

## Important Dates:

4th of July (DT Closed)	4th
Kid Ease Board Mtg.	11th
Tuition Due	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 30th
Gymnastics	16th & 30th
Tuition is Late	3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th &
Share Days	11th, 18th & 25th

## Learning Themes

The shape of the month is a *parallelogram*.



The color of the month is *pink*.

Our learning themes for the month are *Camp DT* and *Team Tactics*. We will review :

Letter **G** the week of 7/2  
 letter **J** the week of 7/9  
 letter **P** the week of 7/16  
 Letter **Q** the week of 7/23  
 Letter **R** the week of 7/30

# Preschool News



This month the learning themes are *Camp DT* and *Team Tactics*. We will be talking about the forest and mountain regions. We will also be learning about teamwork, sportsmanship and cooperation through sports.



The color of the month is *pink* and the shape is a *parallelogram*. The letters for the month are *G, J, P, Q & R*.

*Chickens* — This month Team Chickens will be working extra hard together, playing games, taking turns and using good sportsmanship. We will also be exploring nature and how to have fun in the great outdoors

— camping, fishing and hiking. We will continue to fine tune our writing skills.

*Little Fots* — What's going to work? Teamwork! The Little Fots will be working together learning all about the great outdoors and how to be terrific team players. We will be working in our journals, conducting science experiments and enjoying specific skill building activities.



*Nemos* — We would like to welcome Scarlet and Abby, as they transition over to the preschool



program. We will be trying to take more walks this month. Additionally, we will be doing more cooking projects. So if you have any yummy, simple nut-free recipes to share, that would be wonderful.



*Giraffes* — We will be reviewing our learning themes and having fun before everyone moves on to new schools. Thank you for all the great parent volunteers that we had for our field trips. It was particularly great to see so many dads.

# Infant and Toddler News



## INFANT NEWS

Well, summer is officially here! To keep cool, we will have water play on Tuesday & Fridays. So, please bring a towel, swim diapers, and water shoes for your child. Please also remember to label all clothing, socks, & shoes. We also need for you to label and date all bottles and food that gets put in the refrigerator. We have had a number of bottles going home with the wrong families.

*Welcome* — You will be seeing two new faces this month in the infant program. Riley N's little brother, Peyton, and Dalton, Nolan's little brother. Please stop to say hello.



*Movers and shakers* — Valerie is getting up on her hands and knees. She is working hard trying to crawl. Mark is now crawling and enjoying exploring the room. Nice Job!

## TODDLER NEWS

Wow! June flew by and now it is July. So many changes are happening this month.



*Transitions* — Scarlet and Abby will start their big steps towards their transition to preschool. We know they will be success-

ful, but we will really miss them. We would also like to say good-bye to Kinsey and Katelyn. We will miss you... The toddler program also welcomes Gavin D., Emmett, and Jacob this month. We are very excited about having "the Guys" transition to our side.

*Wet & Wild* — We will continue with water play. Thank you parents for bringing in swim diapers, towels, and water shoes.



# Kid Ease Parent Board

## A Little Note Goes a Long Way...

Our children are enjoying so many incredible activities each day at school. Please continue to take the time to jot a note or two down in the Communication Binder to share your experiences with DT staff. Your feedback is important!!!

## Kid Ease Web Site ([www.kid-ease.org](http://www.kid-ease.org))

Thank you Meirve Davey for our wonderful web site. Parents, 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 Kid Ease Board of Directors and Officers.



## Participation

Interested in getting involved? Please check out our website at [www.kid-ease.org](http://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, July 11th at 12 pm in Conference Room 210 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.