

Play & Learn



Preschool Family Newsletter

February 2016

Dear Parents,

Well we made it to February, with enough snow so maybe we can stay snow free through the rest of the Winter. Remember that our Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser keeps our Gym and Music Enrichment Programs going. About Valentine's Day Cards from the children: you do not need to put children's names on the envelopes. Just make sure your child's name is on the inside of the card and that you bring in enough cards for each child in the room. That way everyone gets a card and there are no tears.

Happy Valentine's Day!



Valentine's Day Celebrations

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day in the morning of Friday, February 12th.



Please talk to your child's teacher concerning treats, activities and cards.

Kindergarten Open House



Kindergarten Open House will be held from Feb. 22nd to Feb. 26th from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. Parents are invited to visit the classroom, meet Miss Lori and learn about the PA Certified

Kindergarten Program. Kindergarten programs will be available for 2016. Can't visit during the Open House? Talk to Joan or call the Enrollment Office, 215- 643-4142, to schedule an appointment.

From the Enrollment Office



Re-enrollment forms will be distributed the first week of February and need to be returned by Friday, March 4th. Please be sure to return your re-enrollment forms promptly to ensure a spot for your child. For more information, call Cara in the Enrollment Office at 215.643.4142.

Progress Reports



Progress Reports will be distributed this month for Pre-school, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten children. If you would like to schedule for a conference to discuss your child's progress, please contact your Center Director.

Snow Number

During inclement weather, watch ABC TV Channel 6 or listen to KYW 1060AM for our Center's Snow Number: **Preschool 3342**



Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

It's back again and yummier than ever! The



Gertrude Hawk candy fundraiser will run from February 1st through February 12th with anticipated delivery the week of March 7th.

There are tons of treats to choose from that will satisfy your sweet tooth. Look for a brochure in your child's cubby or visit www.gertrudehawk.com to purchase online. All proceeds benefit the center's enrichment music and gym programs.

Giant A+ School Rewards



Thank you for signing up for Giant A+ School Rewards program, last month we raised **\$204.51** and this month we hoping to do even better! If you haven't signed up yet, there is still time. [Click here](#) to register your Giant Bonuscard and designate the **Ft. Washington Preschool Play & Learn #26686** After you register your card, each shopping trip at Giant using your BONUSCARD earns cash for our school. Our school will receive a check at the end of the program and the money can be used for any of our school's educational needs.

REMINDER

MONDAY, FEB. 15, 2016 - CENTERS CLOSED

FOR STAFF IN-SERVICE/TRAINING DAY! DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS.
(President's Day)

Important Dates to Remember

Feb. 2nd - Groundhog Day

Feb. 1st- Pete Moses

Feb. 1st & 12th- Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

Feb. 2nd - Feb.16th- Lil' Sports

Feb 8th - Chinese New Year!

Feb. 12th - Happy Valentine's Day Parties! (All Rooms)....A.M.

Feb. 14th - HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Feb. 15th- Staff In-service/ Center's Closed

Feb. 22nd-26th - Kindergarten Open House
Time 9:30-11:30 A.M.

Feb. 26th - Magic Show! A.M.

Feb. 29th - Upper Dublin Librarian to read to all children... A.M. / Science with Nature Jack.. P.M.
(Pioneers Only).

*Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser anticipated delivery the week of March7th.

*Every other Tuesdays Lil' Sports

*Wednesday... Head Start Sports A.M.

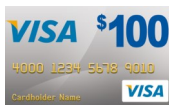
*Thursdays.....Computer Tots A.M.

Supportive Shopper



Keep in mind throughout the school year when you shop at Giant, Target and Amazon, a % of your sales will be given to Play & Learn to support the Granny Fund! [Click here](#) to learn how you can start lending a helping hand.

Refer-A-Friend



Would you like a \$100 Visa Gift Card? Well, when you refer a friend to Play & Learn, that's exactly what you'll get. And the good news is, you can refer as many families as you want! See your Center Director for more details. Restrictions apply.
(Not valid at Abington, Ardmore and Bryn Mawr.
Gift card will be issued after new families have been enrolled for 60 days.)





Spotlight On: In-Service - Play & Learn Staff Leap into Learning

The Play & Learn staff were hard at work at the in-service day that took place on January 18th. In-service day meets the needs for on-going professional development for staff to refine their skills and stay up to date with new knowledge in the field in order to continue to provide the best quality of care. The in-service day included trainings in fire safety, creating special moments with infants and toddlers, fostering relationships, problem solving with children, creating emotionally healthy environments and how to turn good play into great play.

The Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (formerly Department of Public Welfare) require 6 hours annual professional development to maintain child care licensing regulations. Additional annual professional development is required over and above DHS requirements as part of Keystone STARS, Pennsylvania's voluntary quality improvement initiative.

Play & Learn is proud to be active in the Keystone STARS program and continually works to improve the quality of our programs.



FEBRUARY 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEKLY THEMES "OWL" Earth and Sky	1 Spatial Relationship GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER BEGIN!! PETE MOSES	2 Sorting Animals GROUNDHOG DAY LIL' SPORTS	3 Be Safe Mini Book 	4 I have two(Body Parts)	5 Where do seeds come from? 	6 SCOTT-FOREMAN'S THEMES: Henry Penny *Traditional Tale *Sequence *Blend Onset
7 Daytime & Nighttime	8 CHINESE NEW YEAR! (Year of the Monkey) 	9 Make a Heart 	10 Make Chinese Lantern	11 Shapes Collage	12 VALENTINE PARTY A.M. (ALL ROOMS) GERTRUDE HAWK	13 Round is a Mooncake Letter O o
14  Weather Watch	15 PRESIDENT'S DAY! STAFF-IN-SERVICE DAY CENTER	16 Review Letter LIL' SPORTS	17 Review Number	18 Review Letter Sound	19 Review Shapes	20 Review Week
21 From Season to Season	22 Patterns	23 Money	24 Living & Non-Living Things	25 Making Prediction	26 Addition MAGIC SHOW...10 A.M.	27 Miss Mary Mack <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiction Realism & Fantasy
KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE ... TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.						
28 	29 UPPER DUBLIN LIBRARIAN TO READ TO ALL CHILDREN- A.M. SCIENCE WITH NATURE JACK P.M. (PIONEERS)	ALL LUNCHES \$2.00 Tues.—Nuggets/Fruit Wed.— Pizza/Fruit Thurs.— Grilled Sandwich /Fruit Friday— Hot Dogs/Fruit			GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER DELIVERY! WEEK OF 3/7	