

Discovery Gardens Families

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am hoping that some of you, if not all of you have received an email from your child(s) primary teachers by now connecting you with your child(s) day-to-day. Each classroom is responsible for sending out monthly curriculum goals for the classroom to keep you all in the loop.

I just have a few quick reminders for you all with the weather changing I want to make sure that parents are bringing/packing their children appropriately. Spring & Summer time are our prime for messy projects and water activities outdoors. We ask that you provide extra clothes, sunscreen, sunhats, and extra shoes if you choose.

If you have any questions regarding the newsletter, the website, or just a general questions or concern please feel free to contact me directly at: destiney@childcarediscovery.com

Warm regards,

Destiney Clark

Parents Coordinator

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Where do staff undergo their trainings? Is it available to parents?

Child Care Resource and Referral of Multnomah County (CCR&R-MC) is a non-profit, state designated resources and referral agency serving the diverse community of Multnomah County. The CCR&R-MC is a part of Child Development and Family Support Programs department of Mt. Hood Community College. They are the link between providers and families seeking quality child care, offering services to parents, providers, and the community.

Parents are more than welcome to take the courses as well thru CCR&R if you just click on this link: <http://ccrr-mc.org/trainings.html>



Upcoming Events

April 15

No School In-Service Day

May 27

No School In-Service Day

May 30

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We want to welcome all of our new families that have joined our Discovery Gardens family for the month of March. We are thrilled to grow with you and your family. WELCOME!!!

Important Announcement

I want to thank all of the Kenton families that have taken the time to complete the Parent Surveys for me. Your input matters. Thank you!

Sign In & Out

Parents we know that many of you come-in in a hurry to get off to work in the morning, or sometime may be distracted by your sweet children trying to show you something in the classroom. We ask that you please take a moment to remember to sign your children in & out daily. This is a requirement not only by our company but by the Multnomah Early Child Care Division.

Last but not least we want to thank all the parent who signed up for the parenting class offered by the Morrison Child and Family Service. Lisa Teutsch enjoys seeing our families there; Thank you to all who participated in the class.

More Important News

Kenton

At our Kenton location we are opening up our Wobbler room again located in the front room of the infant and toddler room. As of Monday, April 4th the wobbler classroom will be ready! Teacher Shay will be the primary teacher in this classroom with no more than five children at a time. The five children that will be moving over should have received a former email from Ms. Sanita herself discussing the transition.

Teacher Yailin is officially off to Cuba, she we will be missed but we look forward to having her back summertime 2016. In the infant room we have Teacher Erin filling in for Yailin while she is away. In this same room we also want to welcome Teacher Lisa & Donna. We will also have Ms.Sonya; which some of you have already met, our infant coordinator coming from our Lombard location to focus in on some trainings with the ladies while also providing support.

Lombard

At our Lombard location we are working very hard on our gardening. We want to get some parent feedback on how things are looking out there so far. You may contact me directly or also speak to netra directly with any more suggestions you may have to make our playground a fun outdoor learning environment for the children.

I want to also take a moment to address some concerns with the type of bark dust that was laid out last week. At the time that the bark dust was purchased we were sold on the fact that it was to be sliver less and a cushion for the children when running outside. With the safety concerns received by a few families we have had our landscape company remove most of the bark dust leaving a small thin layer to keep the cushion but have added fresh bark chips on top. We strongly apologize for the mix up with the product, we want you to know that the situation has been handled. We truly appreciate your parent feedback with concerns, thank you.

Columbia Knolls

Please welcome our new Teacher Amalia to our DG family. She will be training this week in replacement of Teacher Patrece, while also getting familiar with the children and families as well as the center.

Coming soon: Columbia Knolls will be receiving their new garden box. We are all very anxious for the sunshine and to begin gardening.



Parent Resources

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Reoccurring Field Trip

Our Kenton Preschool and our Lombard Preschool and Toddler group both visit the Marquis Piedmont Retirement Center one Friday a month. They depart at 9am and return by 12pm for lunch at the daycare. Below are the dates they will attend this month by center.

Kenton: Please confirm with Teacher Rhonda or Pamela

Lombard: 04/22/2016

How to identify new faces/working interviews?

New potential employees have to meet very specific qualifications to do so, for instance, completing their background check. We are now having our working interviews wearing our logo aprons to be identified. The more we grow the more staff we need on our team. Please feel free when you see someone with an apron on to introduce yourself as well.

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