

Discovery Gardens Families

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I surely hope that all families have been able to get out in the community during the weekends and enjoy some of the fun festive events going on. Please make sure to read my side margarine's to find out about some local events as well as general announcements and reminders.

Also are you connected with our Parents Page thru FACEBOOK? If not please contact me to get connected. We like to post reminders, events, and most importantly photos of your sweet children interacting thru out the day. Please get connected with us!

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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Communicating with Toddlers Through Nonverbal Signals (by Young Children)

Eye contact: Making frequent contact with a child communicates that the teacher is available, connected, interested, attentive, and engaged with the child and what he/she is doing.

Facial Expressions: Reading a child's facial expressions and mirroring the feelings expressed or responding with a smile indicates that the teacher recognizes and understands the child's feeling and her attempts to communicate those feelings to others.

Body Language: Children and teachers communicate with each other nonverbally through body language. Approval, disapproval, anger, acceptance, and many other feelings, attitudes and responses can be interpreted by the way people stand, sit, fold their arms, turn away, or carry out other bodily movements. Teachers who sit facing the children at their level show that they are accessible, and nodding their heads communicates approval and understanding.



Upcoming Events

October 10

No School In-Service Day

November 23

No School In-Service Day

November 24

No School- Holiday

Important Announcement

WEATHER CHANGES

As weather permits; in the event that inclement weather occurs, Discovery Gardens will follow Portland Public Schools recommendations. Any questions or concerns please contact your site director or Destiney Clark.

Parents we ask that you remember to send your children to school with an extra change of clothing, coats, hats, gloves, rain boots, etc. With the weather changing to the next season we would like to make sure that all children are coming to care dressed appropriately.

TUITION

Parents we ask that when writing your tuition checks please use the memo section to write in your child(ren)s name. Thank you very much.

Tone of Voice: The sound of a person's voice can communicate their feelings. Using a tone of voice that shows genuine interest or enthusiasm tells a child that you are engaged and want to connect with what he/she is doing

More Important News

Kenton

We want to start by Congratulating Teacher Amanda & Welcome baby William! Born 9/24, 8:52 pm, 5LB2oz, 17" long. She will be returning to work the second week on November. Congratulations Teacher Amanda on your sweet baby boy William!

Kenton Parents for the next month or so we will be doing some training in the Toddler Class, Teacher Reyna will be training Teacher Amanda which is our Preschool Teacher in the Toddler classroom, so you will be seeing a new face in the morning while you are doing drop off's, as well as at pick up, while this is happening Ms. Netra will be training Teacher Hannah in the Preschool Classroom, so our focus is to have both, Teacher Amanda and Teacher Hannah to be trained in both Toddler and Preschool classrooms. So Please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to these ladies when you see them. Please let me know if you have any questions while we are in transition.

Lombard

Lombard Parents (ONLY), your first **Tea Social** will be held on **Friday, October 21st, 2016** at our Lombard location from **530pm-7pm**. Miss Earenya and myself will take this time to answer any questions that you parents may have regarding Discovery Gardens Child Care. We have chosen a Friday date due to classes that are scheduled the following day. If you are able to find a sitter outside of DG and need to come back, please let us know. We are **not** able to provide child care for our Tea Social events since they are *optional*. We do also understand that there are families that may need to bring their child along and that's okay too every situation is unique. We ask that parents that are bringing their children to take into consideration that with there are families that may not, and we would like to make sure to give everyone an equal chance to address any concerns or questions without interruptions. We hope that you & or your spouse will be able to attend. If you have more questions regarding this event, contact myself or Miss Earenya directly.

Columbia Knolls

Early Head Start Child Care Partnerships: We will soon begin our monthly family nights! Each month families are invited to attend our EHS program meetings hosted at our Hazelwood Head Start classroom at 35 NE 148th Ave Ste 100, Portland OR 97230.

Meetings are generally held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. - including dinner and parent child activities. Last year's activities included painting, dancing, infant massage and more! We will be sending out flyers in the coming week to announce dates for the next several months. Hope you can join us! For more information, please call Robyn Harris, CCP Family Worker @ (503) 719-7353.



Parent Resources

All October: Portland Maize

Sauvie Island celebrates the 50th anniversary of "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown" with eight acres of cornfield shaped into a mosaic of Charlie Brown & Snoopy, with a-maze-ing labyrinthine twist and turns, raffles and more. Don't forget your raingear, and a flashlight if you're coming after dark! \$6-8, portlandmaze.com

Oct 21-31: Harvest Carnivals & Halloween Fun

Have some spooktacular and wholesome fun with Portland Parks and Rec. Minimal to no cost for entry; show up for lots of costume wearing, food eating, face painting, crafts, games and much more! Check the website for the park nearest you or go crazy and hit 'em all. Free-\$12, portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/464028

Oct 25-31: Eek Week

Join the Portland Children's Museum for a week of Halloween fun with photo shoots, pumpkin carving, spooky story times, sock puppet monster making, glow in the dark painting, and interactive trick-or-treat quest inside the museum and much more. Treats are all candy-free goodies, ensuring you and the littles a Halloween everyone can enjoy! Free with \$10.75 admission, portlandcm.org

Oct.29&30: Howloween

Lions, tigers and bears, OH MY! Yes, but not to worry, Dorthy! Come dressed up in your most ferocious fangs, claws and stripes and join the scavenger hunt that leads you around the zoo, teaching kids about animals and their habitats. 10a-3p. Free with \$9.95-14.95 zoo admission (kids 2 and under always free), oregonzoo.org

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