



# Live and Learn Early Learning Center

## Family News

### **Important Dates:**

- ☺ **Wednesday Aug. 4th**– Red Sox game!!!!
- ☺ **Thursday August 19th**—end of summer celebration/ carnival
- ☺ **Friday August 20th**—last day of summer program

**August 2, 2010**

### **Win Fisher Cats**

#### **Tickets**

**Sign up for a FREE raffle to win two tickets to the fisher cats game!! Thursday August 5th. Sign up in the office.**

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### **Family Handbook**

#### **Updates:**

Updated family handbooks were sent out to each family last week. There are changes in staff, programs and tuition rates. Please bring any questions to the office.

### **Farmer's Market**

The lee farmer's market is Thursday from 3-6pm.

August 2-8th is National Farmer's Market Week!

### **Field Trip**

#### **Reminders:**

During the summer session each program takes field trips and for summer camp they occur often. Please make sure that your child is here at least 1/2 hour earlier than departure time. Loading car seats, and pre-plan takes time with a group of children. **We do not delay the field trips for late arrivals** and you will have a choice to drive your child to the field trip or take your child with you until the trip returns.

The field trip schedule will be delivered to all families in monthly form with weekly e-mail reminders.

### **Cameo's Corner**

#### **American Cancer Society**

Raffle Tickets are available...\$2 each or 3 for \$5...ALL of the proceeds go towards stopping childhood cancer. Win some amazing prizes...for example a couples pedicure from the Wingate salon and spa or a \$25 gift certificate to the Big Bean!!

Buy your tickets from Bekki or Bridget at the front desk!

## Staff Updates

Recently the entire staff attended a training called *Growing Up Wild* presented by Michelle and Meggie. This training helped the teachers explore more nature based curriculum to share with the children in their classrooms.

Some of the teachers gave of their time and energy to make the Annual Camp sleepover a huge success. Huge thank yous to Liz E, Meggie, Griffin, Hannah, Lauren, Liz F and Dave.



Gerry and JoAnna attended a training on Fun With Food and Johanna and Debbie took and passed an on-line workshop on Playground safety.

## Wish List:

**Kindergarten** New CD played, child size safety goggles  
**Preschool 1** would love small clipboards for the children to take outside! Big or small sponges for water play!

**Preschool 2** would love some 1lb and 3 lb coffee cans

## BIG Thank You!

- ☺ Thank you to the Pedersen's for Lindt Chocolate for the candy jar!
- ☺ Thank you Charlotte for bringing in 3 pairs of teacher sized scissors
- ☺ Thank you to the Tucker family for the borrow shin guards and pillow for our classroom!
- ☺ Byrnn's family for making zucchini walnut bread to share—yum!

## Campbell Soup Labels

Please bring in your Campbell Soup labels...we get points from these and can exchange the points for awesome items for the center!! Thanks!

## Hours of operation for the summer

**July 6-August 20**

All younger programs; infants, toddlers, preschool and kindergarten run from **7:00 am to 5:00 pm**. There is a 5-5:30 option available if enough families sign up for it.

**Summer Camp** (children going into first grade and older) runs from **7:30 to 5:30** daily. This is a 7am-7:30 am option available for families to purchase.

## Coming to the Red Sox game Wednesday

There will be a large bus leaving Live & Learn at 4pm from the back staff parking lot—everyone can leave their cars here. The bus will take you to the game and bring you back to Live & Learn. Huge thank you to

Jay Pinsonault

for organizing this awesome fundraiser and cool venture for Live & learn!!!!



## **Summertime Reminders**

Each day please have your child bring a bathing suit and towel—you never know when we will go in the wading pool, big pool or under the hose:. Your child needs to come in already lathered up in sunscreen and bug spray— we spend the majority of our days outside. We will re-apply sunscreen and bug spray later in the day. Please send your child with shoes that can go on walks in the woods and a water bottle. Thanks



## **News from Last Week:**

**Infants:** This week we spent lots of time outside enjoying the breezy summer weather, we also planted herbs in a pot, and finger painted with green paint. We enjoyed looking at all of the pictures of Big Red Barn book that were laminated onto the floor of our classroom very much!



**Toddlers:** This week we enjoyed having camp friends help out and going on a walk with half of kindergarten. We celebrated Joseph's birthday and counted sheep, donkeys and horses! We also used the music area and visited preschool at Riverworks. On one of our walks we stopped by camp and were very gentle with Abby the dog.

**Younger Preschool:** What a fun week we've been on a long nature walk where we thought we got lost in the woods but don't worry we found our way back. We went on many walks through the sunflower maze. We looked to see if we could find a sunflower that was the same size as us. We've had lots of fun picnic lunches. We collected stuff from nature on one of our walks to make nature collages. We even did our walks to make nature collages. We even did some science experiments to see what happens when you mix baking soda and vinegar.



**Older Preschool:** Another exciting week of so many awesome things to do at Live and Learn. We finished our talking stick and we made one for Camp, we can't wait to use it when we tell stories around the campfire (pretend of course). Preschool has tried really hard to try and fill the kindness jar container with pom poms by using nice talk, kind words, sharing and helping. We did fill it and had a fun two days of ice cream treats (that is what the children picked) Thank you families for the donations. Then we passed on all the treats to Camp for their sleepover and then it will be passed on for the end of summer carnival. Our garden is spectacular, we had so much fun picking the green beans and eating them, can't get any fresher than that :) Thank you Jesse and Skyler for hanging out with us on Wednesday in the afternoon, we lot it when camp kids visit us. We have enjoyed our hammer and nails thank you Jo, Dave , Casey and his mom for making it all possible. We did lots of art activities and writings. Come check out the outdoor classroom. We hope to have our Fairy Village area open soon.



# Thank you for sharing your family with us!

**Kindergarten:** This week we spent lots of time outside in the beautiful weather! We explored the sunflower maze and picked fresh vegetables from our garden. We also helped weed and water our garden and made rafts out of tin foil and then out of popsicle sticks to test out at Riverworks. We had a great time picking blueberries at Hannah's house.



**Summer Camp:** Started the week with tide pooling at Odiorne, not only did we find some awesome sea creatures but we even found a pair of floating sneakers. Luckily we fished them out for one of the campers. The week was filled with so much sleepover, exploring the Squam Lake Science Center and a Fisher Cats game.

