



# The Kidette



Kids Academy Learning Center  
"Where Discovery Begins"

April 2017

## VPK Registration for the 2016-2017 School Year

If you have not registered your child with Family Central for the 2017-18 VPK program, please register as soon as possible. Go to [www.elcbroward.org](http://www.elcbroward.org) and follow the instructions to register. The website will give you all the information and list of documents that you will need.

### Registration

The registration is now open for the next school year (2017-2018). Beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> registration became open to the community. Many of our classrooms have limited space available. Please register your child to ensure his/her enrollment place for the 2017-18 school year. Registration fee is \$150.00.

### VPK Graduation

Kindergarten here we come! We are preparing for our annual VPK Graduation ceremony. Graduation will be May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Heron Bay Marriott so please mark your calendars. We are measuring the children for their cap and gown. The children have begun practicing and they are very excited. The graduation fee is \$60.00 and is due by March 21<sup>st</sup>. The fee includes cap and gown, diploma, ceremony and 6 tickets.

## Scholastic Book Fair



Our Spring Book Fair was a huge success! We sold over \$2,400.00 worth of books and made \$960.00. A huge "Thank You" goes out to all the parents who made our book fair a success. Also we would like to thank, Joanna Goriss and Vincent Pugliese for manning the Book Fair! The classrooms have received many new books through the generosity of the parents who purchased books from the wish lists.

## VPK Spring Break

Spring Break for the children in the VPK program is April 10<sup>th</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>. We are closed Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> for Good Friday. There is NO VPK program this week. If you are interested in Spring Break Camp see the front office.

Camp is available for the children who attend the extended care VPK for an additional \$49. This fee will be added to your account. If your child does not attend the camp regular tuition for the week still applies.

## Cap and Gown Pictures

Cap and gown graduation photos will be taken on April 27<sup>th</sup> for all VPK graduates.



Individual and class photo will be taken.

## Gardens

We are winding down our vegetable gardens and will soon be planting an assortment of flowers and herbs.



One of our parents, Mike Savino has been working in our garden putting in plants that attract both butterflies and hummingbirds. He also installed a beautiful arch over the bridge. If you get a chance, please stop by the garden and take a look.



We would like to extend a special thank you to Mr. Savino for all his hard work.

## Lunch News

May lunch menus will be due by April 20<sup>th</sup>. Lunches need to be preordered by the month & will not be available to order on a daily basis. We offer regular & vegetarian menus. The lunch price is \$4.25 daily & \$3.25 for Snails, Ladybugs & Caterpillars. **We will not be able to add lunch or pizza orders daily. No exceptions.** Please fill out monthly menus & return to the front office with payment.

## Tuition Payments

Payments are due at the first of each month. It is past due on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and late fees will apply. All weekly payments must have a credit card authorization on file and tuition will be charged on Monday mornings. **No exceptions.** Please make sure that your credit card and payment information is up to date and correct. If you make any future

changes, please notify the front office. All declined credit cards will be charged a \$10.00 fee. The minimum amount to charge is \$10.00. All declined checks will have a \$35.00 service charge. Please sign up for automatic tuition deductions. No tuition balances will be allowed. Please pay in a timely manner.

## Classrooms

All classrooms will be locked at 6:00 pm nightly. The children's personal items will be brought to the village for evening pick up.

## Pro-care Check in and out

It is required by Child Care Licensing that every child is signed in and out every day they are in attendance at Kids Academy. Please make sure everyone on your pick up list knows the importance of signing your child in or out. It is mandatory.

Our Pro-care sign in-out system uses a fingerprint or code sign-in and out. Please register your fingerprint if you have not already done so.

## Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1<sup>st</sup> through May 5<sup>th</sup>. This is a very important time to honor and cherish our teachers for all their hard work and dedication all year long. Let's celebrate them together.

## Suggestion Box

We are always interested in our parents' ideas and suggestions for our program. There is a suggestion box in the front office.

## Smart Board

### Exciting News!

Kids Academy will be purchasing an upgraded version for our SMART Board called TeachSmart. It is a state of the art interactive display/whiteboard complete with thousands of classroom ready activities. We used the funds we raised from our Spring fund-raiser and the remainder was paid for by Kids Academy.

### More Exciting News

APPLE Reaccreditation

We are one of very few preschools that have

earned and maintain a double accreditation.

Last year we earned our National NAEYC accreditation (National Association for the Education of Young Children) and this year

we have been preparing for our reaccreditation visit from APPLE validators.

The teachers and staff are prepared and excitedly await their visit. We are very proud to be accredited by 2 highly recognized early childhood accreditation organizations.



"Happy Birthday" to all of our April birthdays, both students and staff.



Abigail W.	4/18	1 year old
Patrick C.	4/30	1 year old
Camile J.	4/12	1 year old
Kai Y.	4/30	2 years old
Quinn C.	4/1	3 years old
Niklas P.	4/7	3 years old
Jameson L.	4/15	3 years old
Jacob M.	4/22	3 years old
Addyson L.	4/25	3 years old
Lennox P.	4/28	3 years old
Vincent P.	4/29	3 years old
Cole S.	4/30	3 years old
Cody B.	4/1	4 years old
Mathias L.	4/16	4 years old
Emilio P.	4/17	4 years old
Keano P.	4/4	5 years old
Veronica G.	4/11	5 years old
Liam G.	4/14	5 years old
Baylem B.	4/15	5 years old
Isabella M.	4/20	5 years old
Bryanna L.	4/12	7 years old
Maleah S.	4/28	8 years old
Andrea	4/14	Young at heart
Gaby	4/17	Young at heart
Jenna	4/18	Young at heart

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