



The Kidette

Kids Academy Learning Center

“Where Discovery Begins”



December 2017

Thanksgiving Food Drive



Each year Kids Academy supports several outreach projects during the holidays. For Thanksgiving we collected non-perishable items for Kids In Distress. We collected approximately 25 bags of groceries. Thank you for your generosity.



Families Helping Families

We are also supporting Kids In Distress for a Holiday Toy Drive. There are several Christmas trees in the front office with hearts on them. Each heart represents a child and a child's holiday wish. You can choose 1 or several hearts to take and purchase the item listed. We are asking that all gifts be brought in no later than Monday, December 11th. Please wrap the gift and place the heart on the gift box. Let's teach our children the gift of generosity this holiday season! All gifts must be new toys.

Kids In Distress of Broward County (KID) is a licensed, non-profit (501-C3) nationally accredited agency working for the prevention of child abuse, preservation of the family, and the treatment of abused and neglected children.

Enrichment Classes

Our second session of enrichment classes has begun. The children are having a great time in soccer, ballet, karate, & music. There will be no enrichment classes during the Winter Break (December 25th -January 5th).



Macy's Day Parade

Our annual Thanksgiving Macy's Day Parade was on Wednesday,



Nov. 22nd. The children were adorable & their costumes so creative.

Thank you for attending!



Gardening!

The children are tending to the gardens daily and patiently waiting to see what happens. Our herbs are growing nicely. Please visit the garden with your child and see what is sprouting! It's very exciting. One of our parent volunteers, Pete Savino, has been donating his time to plant and care for our beautiful, lush butterfly and hummingbird garden. Mr. Savino has also created a beautiful arch area over the small bridge. If you have time to visit, please stop by and visit the garden with your child.



Lunch News:

Beginning January 2nd we will stop our Yummy in My

Tummy food program. We will resume cooking lunch on site at Kids Academy. We will be using organic chicken and beef and serving organic milk. We will use organic products whenever possible, however not all food items on the menu will be organic, but will be all natural. January lunch menus will be due by December 21st. Lunches need to be preordered by the month and will not be available to order on a daily basis. We offer regular & vegetarian menus. The lunch price is \$5.00 daily & \$4.00 for Snails, Ladybugs and 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. We will continue to order pizza from Dominoes on Fridays.

Payments

Payments are due at the first of each month. It is past due on the 3rd & 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.

Reminder: The VPK extended care will not have instructional hours during Winter Break (from December 25th to January 5th). If your child attends there will be an additional \$49.00 per week charge.

Suggestion Box

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

Employment Opportunities

Kids Academy is looking for someone to review our website, suggest changes and maintain. If you are interested or know of anyone that might be interested, please stop by the front office and inquire.

Holiday Shows



Each year our classrooms present a holiday show for the parents. Please mark your calendar for your child's holiday event!

- Dec. 5 4:00 Ladybugs/Snails
 5:00 Dragonflies
- Dec. 6 11:00 Beatlebugs (am)
 4:00 Caterpillars
 5:00 Grasshoppers
- Dec. 7 4:00 Crickets
 5:00 Ants
- Dec. 12 4:00 Butterflies
 5:00 Bees
- Dec. 13 4:00 Fireflies
 5:00 Scorpions

Holiday Closings

Christmas

Friday, December 22nd close at 1:00pm

Monday, December 25th closed

New Year's Day

Friday, December 29th close at 1:00pm

Monday, January 1st closed

We offer Winter Camp for children ages 5 (in Kindergarten) through age 9. Price of camp is \$210.00 weekly.



Winter Camp!

Kids Academy offers Winter Break Camp for weeks December 26th to December 29th and January 2nd to January 5th for school age children 5 to 9 years old. We have fun and exciting daily field trips scheduled to Sawgrass Recreation Park (Airboat ride), Butterfly World, Daggerwing Nature Center, Sandaway House and more. Cost is \$210.00 weekly.



Tomassi H.	12/22	1 year old
Lane Y.	12/25	1 year old
Reegan D.	12/24	2 years old
Cora L.	12/1	3 years old
Frank P.	12/10	3 years old
Wyatt T.	12/13	3 years old
Carin B.	12/17	3 years old
Madison C.	12/21	3 years old
Kylie F.	12/9	4 years old
Andrew V.	12/12	4 years old
Elizabeth V.	12/12	4 years old
Niles H.	12/14	4 years old
Thanvikha	12/20	4 years old
Kristian T.	12/1	4 years old
Adelyn C.	12/10	5 years old
Mia B.	12/5	5 years old
Lindsay D.	12/26	9 years old



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.

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. This is required of everyone including grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends of family. Also please use your code to open the front door.

your car. Unfortunately child care centers are targeted by Smash N' Grab thieves. The thieves wait, watch and see if a person has brought their purse into the school. If not their car becomes a prime target. According to police it only takes a thief only 4-6 seconds to break your window, grab your purse & be gone. Don't be a victim! Bring your purse with you every time you pick up or drop off your child. Our cameras are recording most of the time, but glitches happen. Do not rely on the cameras.



School Safety: We have 2 school safety reminders. These are very important.

1. Please do not allow your child to run into the front office at dismissal time. Every child needs to be accompanied by an adult when entering the office. Children can run and push the front door into traffic.
2. The holidays are fast approaching. Please do not let yourself be victimized. **Never** leave your purse in

Year End Tax Statements

Year end tax statements (W-10) for 2017 will be available the second week of January. Printed copies will be at the front desk.