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## Early Learning Center News

January 2016 Edition

### **ELC Progress Reports (COR)**

At the Early Learning Center educators use the Child Observation Record (COR) to assess each child's development. The COR is done twice a year for Toddlers, Preschool, and Kindergarten children, and every 3 months for infants. Our first COR evaluation will be sent home during the week of January 4<sup>th</sup>.



### **What is the COR?**

The COR is an observational tool used by teachers to assess children's developmental

progress over a period of time. It is organized into six broad categories of child development. Teachers spend a few minutes each day writing brief notes ("anecdotes") that describe significant episodes of young children's behavior. The information gathered by teachers is organized into a developmental summary for families that provides a comprehensive portrait of each child's developmental gains.



### **Family Play Date in the KidZone**

Looking to expend some energy during these cold winter days? Come to the KidZone and play on **Saturday,**

**January 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00am.** Play with your children and meet other families while enjoying all the KidZone has to offer!

### **Family/Teacher Conferences**

Please look for the sign-ups to schedule a Family/Teacher Conference with your child's teacher beginning the week of January 25<sup>th</sup>. Conferences are a great time for educators and families to connect and share thoughts, ideas, and strategies for helping your child reach their full potential. Conference sign-ups will be posted in each individual classroom.



### **ELC Ladies' Night Out Paint Night**

**Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30-9:30pm**

Laura's Center for the Arts  
75 Mill St.

(Emilson Y campus)

\$45.00 per person

To register please visit:

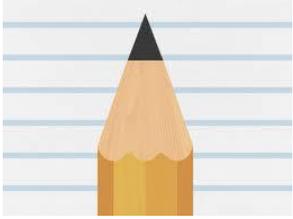
<http://paintnite.com/pages/events/view/boston/1037949>

### **Resolve to Support Your Child's Early Education by Joining the Family Advisory Council in 2016**

The Family Advisory Council is instrumental in helping to guide our decisions regarding our Early Learning Center programming. The FAC meets the first or second Wednesday of every month from 5:15-6:15pm (this month we will meet on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> to

welcome new members!) Please contact Jamee if you would like to participate!

date in the event that we need to contact you due to early closures.



### **Fall 2016 Enrollment Process**

Families, please begin to think about your plans for September and complete a new enrollment packet to reserve your child's spot for the next school year (these

will be sent home in the coming weeks with instructions). In order to confirm enrollment for September 2016, we will need newly updated enrollment paperwork and the annual registration fee of \$60.00 per child (\$100.00 per family).

**Enrollment paperwork for 2016 will be sent home during the last week of January.** Please note that we will need all paperwork and deposits back by the date specified on the enrollment packet letter to reserve your child's enrollment for Fall 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Jamee Beaudry.



### **Ongoing Reminders**

- The ELC Family Advisory Council meets the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month from 5:15pm-6:15pm. Join us!
- Please remember to sign your child in and out of the classroom each day.
- Baby it's Cold Outside (but we still go outside to play!) Please pack labeled snow pants, boots, hats, and mittens to play in the snow every day.
- For all information regarding closures due to snowstorms please check the website at [www.ssymca.org](http://www.ssymca.org). Also, please make sure that all of your children's emergency contact information is correct and up to



### **Parking Lot Safety**

For ease of getting to the parking lot to the right side of the building, families may use the exit directly to the left of the Infant

Classroom. Please do not use the KidZone to exit the building. As always, please hold your child's hand and check for traffic coming from the Gymnastics parking lot. Thank you!



### **Thank you!!!**

There was no shortage of holiday cheer around the Center this holiday season. Thank you so much for the thoughtful gifts and kind wishes that you offered to us all here at the Early Learning Center. The teachers and children enjoyed the fruit, treats, gifts, cards, and well wishes that were showered upon us. Also, thank you for your generosity and kindness towards others in our community. By participating in the Giving Wreath program we were able to help many other families in need this holiday season. Thank you!

**Our Holiday Extravanzas were a huge success. Thank you for coming!**

