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Early Learning Center News

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Early Learning Center **5th Annual Art Show Fundraiser** **To Benefit the SSYMCA** **“Change a Life Fund”**



Please save the dates for our 5th Annual Art Show Fundraiser “Fairytale and Fantasy at the ELC” with raffle, and silent auction! Come celebrate a night of family fun and see your children’s artwork inspired by famous artists, bid on classroom masterpieces and learn how you can support others in our ELC Community. There will be much to see and do at the Annual Art Show Fundraiser, raffles, silent auctions, and artwork galore! **Please note that the ELC will close at 5:00pm on May 17th and 18th to allow teachers time to prepare the classrooms.**

The dates are as follows:

Children with last names starting with letters A-J: Wednesday, May 17th at 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Children with last names starting with letters K-Z: Thursday, May 18th at 5:30pm-6:30pm.



Art Show Silent Auction

This year’s Silent Auction (all proceeds to benefit the SSYMCA Change a Life Fund) will showcase pottery pieces featuring children’s fingerprint art inspired by the the fairytale The Little Mermaid’s “Under the Sea.” Families may bid on the pieces the nights of the Art Show and up until 12:00pm on Friday, May 19th.



Raffle Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Our items for raffle will include (all raffles will be drawn on Friday, May 19th):

- “Potters Delight” basket with gift certificate to the Pottery Playce
- 2 Tickets to the Boston Red Sox
- “Child’s Play” Basket
- New Hampshire package with tickets to Storyland and Santa’s Village
- “Children’s Literature” Basket
- “Coloring Book Bonanza” Basket
- Let’s Jump Basket with gift card to Busy Bee Jumpers
- “Young Artist” Basket
- Family Art Framed set
- And much more!



Fairytale **Photo** **Booth at** **the 5th** **Annual Art** **Show** **Fundraiser!**

Use our

fairytale props to dress up like your favorite storybook character and

step in front of our kid decorated castle. We will take your family picture with our Instax Camera in our ELC "kid made" photo booth! **Only \$5.00 for two poses in the family photo booth!** All proceeds will benefit the Change a Life Fund to support others in our ELC community.



It's Not Rude, It's Safety!

Thank you to all for adhering to our policy of not holding the door for others to enter the Early Learning Center. As we work to continue to keep our

Center a safe environment for our staff, children and families we ask all to understand that holding the door open for others may present a risk by allowing people into the Center who are not expected. All enrolled families and staff have a key fob to allow access into the building. All others can be encouraged to ring the doorbell. If you have another family member picking up often, to reduce frustration at having to wait at the door, additional fobs can be purchased for a cost of \$6.00 each.

Sunscreen and Bug Spray Policy



As the days are getting warmer and the nice outdoor weather becomes irresistible, ELC students and their teachers will spend a great deal of time outside exploring.

Please help us to protect your child's skin by applying sunscreen that has a UVA and UVB SPF 30+ and bug spray before coming to school. If sunscreen and bug spray needs to be re-applied after rest time, please complete an authorization form (available at the front desk) and send your preferred sunscreen and bug spray to school in its original container, clearly labeled with your child's first and last name. Thank you!

FYI: The ELC playground will be treated for ticks with a natural repellent on Friday, May 5th after school hours.



Healthy Kids Day at ELC

We hope you enjoyed a fabulous Healthy Kids Day at ELC! There were so many fun surprises and happy faces on that day, thanks for joining us!

Introducing the ELC Family S.T.E.A.M. Kiosk!

The ELC was recently the recipient of 3 Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare

Community Spirit Grants!

With the \$1500 awarded we purchased the items for our new Family

S.T.E.A.M. Kiosk (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)! This area

currently holds a weaving wall, wind tunnel, magic water paper, and chalk spinner. Please enjoy this area together, AND- if you are looking to make a quick exit from the building, there is always the side door next to the Infant Classroom!

