

Early Learning Center News

October 2016 Edition

Back To School Nights:

Family Education Information Nights

Please join us for our ELC Fall Back-To-School Family Education Nights.

The dates are:

Infant/Toddler/Toddler-Pre/Transitional Preschool

Wednesday, October 12th at 6:00pm

Preschool/Pre-K/Kindergarten

Thursday, October 13th at 6:00pm

Come learn about your child's day with their teachers, explore the classroom learning centers, learn about curriculum, and meet other ELC families. This night is an adult only night, thank you!

ELC "Dress-Up" Parades

When: Friday, October 31st

Toddlers, Transitional Pre, Preschool 1 and 2 at 8:45am

Infants, Pre-K 1 and 2, Kindergarten at 3:15pm

What: Children are invited to wear their costumes to school for a dress up parade in the KidZone. Families please come and spectate if you are able!

Trike Trek Success!

This is how we roll...



Thank you to all for participating in our 4th Annual Trike Trek in support of our ELC Team effort in the Rodman Ride for Kids. Working together we were able to raise \$1800.00. Great job everyone! **Thank you!**



2nd Annual ELC Trunk or Treat!

Trick or Treat

in the security of the ELC back parking lot Saturday, October 29th from 11:00-12:00pm with other ELC families! Load up your trunk with some treats (**peanut free please**) and grab some goodies from other family's trunks all at the ELC Trunk or Treat. To ensure safety, space will be limited to the first 50 families who register. Register by emailing Catherine at cberk@ssymca.org.

Please note that should you choose to participate, you will be responsible for providing treats to hand out from your trunk.

Suggested \$5.00 donation per car to be put towards the Playground Betterment Fund.



Say Cheese! ELC Picture Days

ELC picture days with Guidepost Studios will be on Thursday, October 6th and Friday,

October 7th. The schedule will be as follows:

Thursday: Young Toddlers, Preschool 1 and 2, and Pre-K 1 and 2

Friday: Infants 1 and 2, Kindergarten, Toddler 1 and 2, Transitional Preschool and Toddler/Pre

Please return photo permissions by Tuesday, October 4th.

ELC Family Reminders!



- The Early Learning Center is closed on Monday, October 10th (Columbus Day) for professional development.
- We will be having our Family Education Night on Wednesday, October 12th and Thursday, October 13th.
- Swim begins the week of October 17th, please label all of your child's belongings and use the provided swim bag. Children come to school dressed in their bathing suit under their clothing on their swim days. Disposable swim diapers are no longer allowed by the pool. Please use the swim diaper provided by the Center. If this is lost, please purchase a new reusable swim diaper. **Please return swim permission forms to the office no later than Tuesday, October 11th. If permission forms are returned after this date; your child will need to wait until the week of October 31st to participate in the swim program.**
- Please remember to call the Center or email/text Catherine (cberk@ssymca.org or 617-413-0095) if your child will be absent and or late to school.

Nourish to Flourish Program at the ELC

The ELC is partnering with South Shore Organics to provide our families with a convenient way to purchase local, fresh produce. Sign up at www.southshoreorganics.com and select the ELC as your delivery site. For \$25.00 a selection of local, in season produce will be waiting for you when you pick up your child on Tuesday afternoons!



Many Ways to Give at the ELC

Did you know that the South Shore YMCA is a charity? Every day, the South Shore YMCA is working to improve the quality of life for thousands of children and families throughout our region. We're committed to strengthening the foundations of our communities.

At the ELC there are many ways to give throughout the year that benefit both the South Shore YMCA as a whole (The Change A Life Campaign), and the ELC specifically (The ELC Betterment Fund). Here are some of the events throughout the year that you can count on:

To Benefit the Change A Life Campaign:

- The Trike Trek (September)
- The Annual Art Show (May)
- Volunteer at our Signature Events, such as the Enchanted Evening on Saturday, November 5th.

Donations to these events support scholarships for children to attend the Early Learning Center.

To Benefit the ELC Betterment Fund:

- Family Dinner Night at Papa Gino's (4 times throughout the year)
- Round Up Pizza Fridays (every Friday)
- Trunk or Treat
- Scholastic Book Fairs (Fall and Spring)

We count on the generosity of our families and partners to keep our doors open to whoever needs a place to go to help them be more healthy, confident, connected, and secure. When you give to the South Shore Y, your money goes toward quality services and life-changing programs for thousands of seniors, adults, teens, youth, and families right in your neighborhood.