

# DLC NURSE & LEARN MAY & JUNE NEWSLETTER

The 16th Annual DLC Golf Tournament was a very successful event this year. We are excited to partner with the Jacksonville City & Police Federal Credit union for this and future tournaments. They did a great job hosting this event at South Hampton is St. Augustine, FL.

We had over 90 golfers, and brought in nearly \$16,000 for DLC. It was a perfect day to golf at South Hampton. We had a lot of great feedback about the course, and we wanted to thank those of you who joined us. Because this years tournament fell on a Palm Sunday, we sincerely apologize to those of you who couldn't make it because of other obligations. Next year we will make sure it's on a good weekend for everyone to participate.

### Winning Teams: Thank you to our Gold Sponsors:



Jacksonville City & Police RailWorks JM Family Enterprises Susan and Ron Masucci Riverside Park UMC Fraternal Order of Police



## ONE SPARK 2015:

DLC Nurse & Learn had a great time in Downtown Jacksonville during One Spark this year! We talked to hundreds of people about our school during the 5 days we were in the Times Union Center for Performing Arts and encouraged patrons to vote for our Shared Therapy Program, project #22091. We placed top three in "Juried" Projects in the Education Sector. This is an amazing accomplishment for our first year, and we thank those of you who came out to support us!

# Now Enrolling for Summer Camp!

We are now accepting students at Therapy and Care for Summer! This is a wonderful program for children of all abilities. Don't' let your child fall behind during the offmonths. Our program is designed to fit the needs of your child in a loving atmosphere. We also offer speech, occupational and physical therapy!

904-389-5402

#### **Holidays**

DLC Closed \* 5/25 MEMORIAL DAY

LAST DAY VPK \* 6/1

LAST DAY OF DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL \* 6/5

**DLC Closed \*6/8-6/9** SUMMER PLANNING

#### **Events**

DLC NURSE & LEARN GRADUATION—6/2

#### **Birthdays**

Erley Cordoba 5/3
Caleigh Grahame 5/25
Mina Geisel 5/27
Amanda Gay 6/4

Amy Buggle 6/22

#### **Anniversaries**

Lisa Federico 3+ Years
Geoff Brymer 1 Year
Ashley Lane 2 Years
Carol Reaves 15 Years
April Saltford 12 Years



## 14/15 Year in Review

This has been quite an exciting year for DLC as we finished up our 26<sup>th</sup>! Our first year with Success by 6 has been very successful as we filled all 7 slots and one extra with a four year old who needed our nursing services. Her diabetic needs could

not be met in her former preschool. Most of these children will move up to our VPK class next year and already have a head start on their pre-reading and early math skills.

This years VPK class has been so amazing to watch with a truly blended group of skill levels. Some of our children are still learning to walk independently and use more words to communicate, while others know their numbers and are already beginning to read and write. That is the beauty of DLC, with our small class sizes and extra teachers and therapists, students' individual learning levels can be met.

This was a great year for grants as we received a grant from the Chartrand Family Fund for the Community Foundation of Northeast FL for our Shared Therapy Program. This program gets therapists in the classrooms to share their ideas and therapy techniques with teachers, teacher assistants and parents. The Shared Therapy program multiplies therapy time for children and helps children that don't qualify for therapy services, to meet goals and accomplish skills faster.

We have served 102 students this year in our preschool and after school programs at our two locations and are excited to see thirteen children graduate. Six students will graduate from our preschool to VPK and seven students will graduate from our VPK to kindergarten. We are so excited for what they



have all accomplished and so proud of all our teachers and staff that have been with each student over the years, making a profound difference in them now and for their future success. God bless each student as they move on and our love and prayers go with them.

Also thanks to all who donate their time and money to DLC. You are part of the DLC success story for each child that has passed through our doors.

Gratefully, Amy Buggle

# Please donate to summer camp!

As summer approaches the excitement grows for children to be released from public school for a long summer break. But as public school closes, DLC's student numbers double and so does our need for full time staff. Many of our families are on limited incomes and can't afford the increase in child care tuition.

Please consider a special **Summer Camp donation** to DLC this year. Payroll expenses increase and incoming funding decreases and many of our grants have come to an end. Summer is always a difficult time financially and we know that with your help our summer camp can be a huge success this year!!

Every little bit helps and really adds up. Talk with your church, Sunday school class, civic club or just your group of friends to take up a collection for the DLC Summer Camp fund.

Thank you in advance for making this years summer camp a blessing to all our children and their families.

- ◆ \$15 = Art Project for a Classroom
- ◆ \$20 = Classroom Snacks for a Week
- ◆ \$30 = 1 Day of Therapeutic Childcare with Nursing Care
- \$35 = ½ hour Session of Physical, Occupational or Speech Therapy
- \$70 = 1 hour Session of Physical, Occupational or Speech









### SAVE THE DATE

Passport to Riverside
Avondale will be a new
fund raising event for DLC
on Nov. 7th.

Tickets will be on sale later this year, so be on the look out for more info!

This is sure to be a family fun event! Purchase your ticket to ride the trolley to get your free gifts from different stores in Avondale/ Riverside!

# CONGRATS GRADUATES!

- VPK Graduates:
   Melody, Jeremiah,
   Joshua, Kayden,
   Nevaeh, Myriah
   & Kamia
- Pre-K Graduates:

   Raven, Andrew,
   Blake, Aliyah, Liam &

   Maci

# <u>Teacher</u>

## Appreciation!

Our teachers work hard throughout the year to make sure our students are on track for graduation. Please show your thanks during the month of May! Teacher Appreciation week is May 4—8. We love our teachers at DLC, and we appreciate their dedication to our children. THANK YOU!!



# Miracle Corner

Andrew is the superstar of this newsletter because of how much progress he has shown in Ms. Aixa's Noah's Ark Room. We are so proud of how far he has come since he first started at DLC!

When Andrew first started be sat mostly by himself, and didn't socialize with his friend's, sit up or eat on his own. Andrew has shown a lot of improvement! He is starting to take independent steps, he can get into a chair by himself, and he's

saying more words like "ball" "apple" "down" and "up." He loves playing with his friends in class, and is even starting to eat independently. He will be graduating from Pre-K this year, and we are excited to see him grow even more in Mrs.

Erley's VPK Class! GO ANDREW!



ON NURSES MAKE IT

# Notes from Nurse Mina

May is "Water Safety Awareness Month"

- **Kids need constant supervision around water** whether the water is in a bathtub, a wading pool, an ornamental fish pond, a swimming pool, a spa, the beach, or a lake.
- **Young children are especially at risk** they can drown in less than 2 inches (6 centimeters) of water. That means drowning can happen where you'd least expect it — the sink, the toilet bowl, fountains, buckets, inflatable pools, or small bodies of standing water around your home
- ⇒ If you're not a swimmer yourself, it's a good idea to take lessons and learn how to swim.
- Don't assume that a child who knows how to swim isn't at risk for **drowning**. All kids need to be supervised in the water, no matter what their swimming skills.
  - Invest in proper-fitting, Coast Guard-approved flotation devices (life vests) and have kids wear them whenever near water. Check the weight and size recommendations on the label, then have your child try it on to make sure it fits snugly.
- Don't forget the sunscreen and reapply often, especially if the kids are getting wet. Be sure to also drink plenty of water to prevent dehydration.

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# DLC Graduation!

When: Tuesday, June 2nd



Where: DLC Nurse & Learn, 4101-1 College Street, Jacksonville FL

<u>Time</u>: 6:30 pm in the Church Sanctuary with reception to follow in the fellowship hall.

Come cheer on our graduates!!