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The vision of the LSU Child Care Center is to become a leading model of exemplary quality in early care and education by functioning as a support mechanism for families of the LSU Community and a focal point of excellence to agencies and organizations throughout the state and nation. By providing quality service, we will be recognized as a recruitment tool for students, faculty and staff thus supporting the positive growth at LSU.



Director's Corner



Dear Parents,

The Mardi Gras parade was such a huge success. It was such a surprise to see all the media at this event. We have the most beautiful children enrolled at the LSU Child Care Center. It was so nice to see all of the parents, grandparents and extended family. The afternoon could not have been more perfect! Thanks to all of the families that donated juice, water and king cakes, to Sergeant Lewis and the campus police for blocking off the roads and to the Pan-Hellenic for sending several volunteers. A special thanks to Danielle Satawa for coordinating this event. We are very excited that Tiny Tiger Fest will be our next big family event. We hope to have an even larger attendance.



Michelle DeMeulenaere
Center Director

5th Annual Tiny Tiger Fest

The center's largest event and spring family fun day is scheduled for Saturday, April 4th from 2-4pm.

We will have a petting zoo, spacewalks, puppet show, Face painting, games, baked goods, jambalaya and a silent auction.

This year our goal is to raise \$5500.00 for the LSU Child Care Center Foundation. This money will be used for educational enrichments for the children, educational opportunities and conferences for the teachers.



Calling All Room Parents

We will be having a mandatory Room Parents' meeting on March 11th at 4:30 in the multi-purpose room. We will be discussing Tiny Tiger Fest, and Teachers Appreciation Week (May 4th-8th). We hope you all can attend!

The PAC NEWS

Tiny Tiger Fest is just around the corner and we have begun planning this big event.

As many of you know, this event requires the assistance of all of the families enrolled at the Center to make it a success. Sign-up sheets are located at the front desk for the following areas:

Baked Goods Table: All parents are asked to contribute individually wrapped baked goods. It can be something purchased or homemade. Volunteers are needed to assist serving these items.

Food Committee- A list of items still needed are located at the front desk. We will also need volunteers to assist serving the food.

Coke Booth- Volunteers are needed to serve soft drinks.

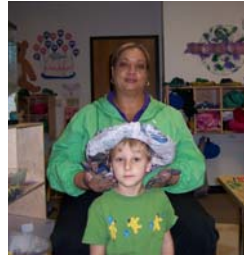
Set-up- Volunteers are needed at 12:30 on April 4th to set up the tables and chairs.

Clean-up- Volunteers are needed to clean-up after the event.

The Silent Auction- We are asking that each family try to solicit one item for the silent auction. The center will issue an acknowledgement for items donated that can be used for tax purposes. We will also need volunteers to help set up and close down the silent auction. The deadline for all auction items is Friday, March 27, 2009.

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for March 19th at 4:30pm in the multi-purpose room.

Mardi Gras Mambo



March Weekly Classroom Themes

March 2nd-6th—What is Spring?

March 9th-13th- Insects

March 16th-20th—Butterfly to Caterpillar

March 23rd—27th—Farm Animals

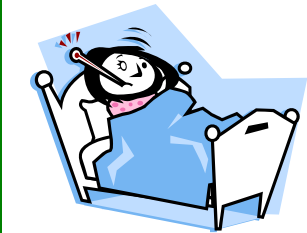
Planes, Trains, Boats and Automobiles

This month we learned about all forms of transportation, trains, boats, airplanes, cars, trucks, helicopters, motorcycles and mobile homes. Betsy Tramonte (Clair and Charles mom) spoke to the children about train safety.



The children enjoyed this so much they made little trains in their classroom.

Ms. Edel (Mae's mom) spoke to the children about traffic signals. We enjoyed playing red-light, green-light. The Richardson family brought their big mobile home and allowed the children to walk through. We also enjoyed a very entertaining demonstration about boating and fishing from Chris Macaluso and Chris Barbera.



Is your toothbrush making you sick?

Bacteria from the mouth remains on the brush after use. These bacteria are not eliminated when the brush is rinsed. Most bacteria are destroyed when the oxygen in the air reaches them. Therefore it is very important to allow your tooth brush time to air-dry. Toothbrushes should be stored with the handles pointed down and the bristles up. Water combines with germs from hands and gravitates to the lowest place on the brush when it is placed in the toothbrush holder.

Children should **not** be encouraged to remove their own toothbrushes from the holder. The possibility of touching or taking the wrong tooth brush is too great. The tooth brush should be removed and replaced by an adult. A toothbrush that is dropped on the floor should be immediately replaced. Your toothbrush should also be replaced each time you have any kind of illness. If your toothbrush becomes contaminated inadvertently, through contact with another brush or saliva from another toothbrush, it should be boiled in water for a minimum of ten minutes or discarded.

By taking a few minutes for proper storage, and discarding your tooth brush when contaminated you may prevent a serious illness.



LSU CCC CONTACT INFORMATION

Front Desk	578-7882	Ladybugs	578-4825
Bears	578-4825	Lambs	578-4851
Bluebirds	578-4883	Pandas	578-4881
Butterflies	578-4883	Pelicans	578-4855
Koalas	578-4819	Puppies	578-4886
Dolphins	578-4888	Alligators	578-4881
Frogs	578-4819	Tigers	578-4855
Kittens	578-4888	Penguins	578-4851

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