

The Beacon Buzz

September 2017 Newsletter

Talk with the Thomases

Greetings from the Thomas Family!

We hope our children and families had an enjoyable summer break and are back to school feeling rested and rejuvenated. We are very excited about beginning our INNOVATIONS and CARES curriculum and our upcoming open house!

Our sincere thanks to all our families that attended the Grand Opening on Aug 5th and helped to make it a tremendous success. We had ~300 people attending with friends & family and bringing us together as a community. Through the generous contributions of our families, we raised \$622 for the Mouse Dreams foundation. Our school will donate \$1000 towards this noble cause to help a critically ill child. Our event partners donated raffle prizes valued at \$2400, that added to all the fun and excitement of our participating families. As a small token of our appreciation, our older children and teachers enjoyed a popsicle party together during outdoor playground time. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity!

Sincerely, Sheetal Kataria Thomas

Enrichment Edition

With a brand new school year underway, we want to communicate all the offerings we have provided for our families and children and when they take place.

Mondays—Soccer Shots at 3pm

TumbleBus at 4pm

Tuesdays—Get Fit! with Ms. Bea

Wednesdays—Music & Movement with Stage Door Dance

Thursdays—Yoga with Ms. Bea

Every other Friday— Sound Exploration with

Prelude Music Academy





On Wednesday, September 13th, from 530pm to 7pm, please help us celebrate our diversity by joining us for our Back to School Open House.

- Meet your Teacher
- Bring a dish to share
- Curriculum sneak peeks
- Connect with one another

Meet the Teacher



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Dates to Dish about...

September 2: Ms. Laura's Birthday

September 4: Closed for Labor Day

September 11: Soccer Shots Kicks off for fall

September 13: Meet the Teacher Family Potluck

Birthdays to Boast: Madison O., Kari S.,

Fletcher H., Evelynn W., Tyson T., Cecilia M.,

and Rocco A.



Character Counts

Each month, our entire school focuses on a character value to instill in our children. These values can be reinforced at home as well. For these reasons, we share *Character Connections* via email each month. Through this we share our books, songs, poems and activities used to promote these values in our school. Let's do this together! September's focus is...

cooperation

With our continued focus on quality, we are in the process of updating our best practices document to incorporate feedback from parents and industry experts. We will certainly need your help to ensure consistency in processes across teachers & parents in the classroom and these details are forthcoming. Please be sure to let us know if you are interested in being a part of our soon-to-beformed parent advisory council. Our school's success is a continued partnership with our families, who help us realize our vision in providing the best care and education for our children.

Parent-Advisory-Council

Teacher Showcase

Ms. Jordan is celebrated as a lead toddler teacher in Room 4. She made the decision to join our team in May of 2017.

Ms. Jordan is a recent graduate from ECU, where she has earned a B.S. in Family and Child Services with a Child Development concentration. She brings laboratory school setting experience with her to inform her practice in the classroom.

Ms. Jordan's hometown is Burlington, New Jersey.

She enjoys spending time and playing with her niece and nephew.





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Referral Promotion:

Our program is continuing to grow with the positive word-of-mouth advertising from our families. We currently have nine of our 11 classrooms up and running smoothly. In fact, 6 of those classrooms are full and now operating on waiting lists. We still have room for growth though, so please continue to tell your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers about us. As a token of our immense appreciation, we are continuing our referral promotion, where families who refer us will receive a \$100 tuition credit after the referred family is in attendance for four weeks. In fact, our grand prize winner was Kimberly Kinney! She won a free week of tuition during our Facebook live drawing!



Welcome Aboard!

We have several new teachers joining our Lighthouse Family:

Ms. Samaiya Ms. Ashley



Founding Family Forum

As a way to show our appreciation to the families who have put their trust in us, we are dedicating this space to them. This month, we showcase the Lewis family photographed at our Grand Opening with our popular mascot Dory.

