

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community-based education program, Discovery Gardens pledges to provide a safe, diverse, enthusiastic and inclusive learning environment, where the number one focus is meeting the individual needs of each child, while providing support for our families.

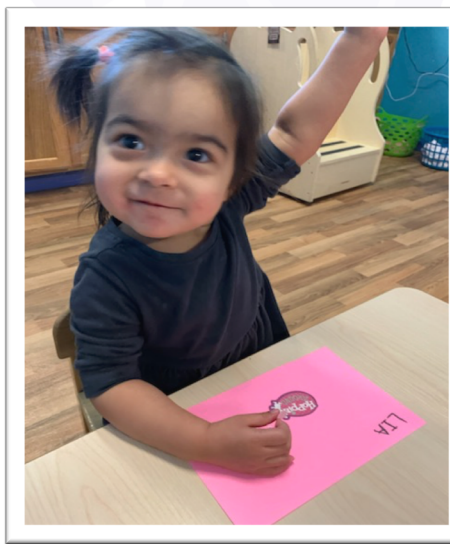


Our Family Garden: Discover the News!

October 2020

Quick Reminders

- **DG parents, please make sure that you keep in contact with your center director, so you may get the most current information.**
- If at all possible, please bring your children before 10 AM. It helps to keep class disruptions to a minimum.
- **Please remember that cooler weather is here and your child(ren) will need to dress warm.**
- Friend us on Facebook so that we can get you added to the "Parents of Discovery Gardens" page where you can see daily pictures and updates on what your child is doing!
- Please remember to wash your child(ren)s hands, to keep infection to a minimum.
- **Please don't forget to follow the most current COVID-19 procedures, upon drop off and pick up of your child(ren).**



Tips For You!

Importance of Tummy Time

Tummy time is playtime on baby's stomach – when the baby is awake and being supervised. It helps a baby:

1. Learn more movement.
2. Increase self-confidence and independence.
3. Learn to crawl, roll over, and walk.
4. Strengthen neck and stomach muscles.

An infant needs to be awake and on his/her tummy several times per day, at least 1-2 minutes at a time. Watch the baby the whole time.

Find more information at:

<https://www.parents.com/baby/development/physical/the-benefits-of-tummy-time/>

Celebrate the Date!

October

Happy Birthday To:
None this month!

Happy Anniversary To:
Roberto (2nd) - 3 Years!
Kim, K. (7th) - 1 Year!
Eternity (12th) - 3 Years!
Elaine (25th) - 5 Years!
Alake (28th) - 4 Years!

November

Happy Birthday to:
Brandi (11th),
Sandra (15th)!

Happy Anniversary to:
None this month!

Save the Date!

Closures:

Training / Holidays:

October 16th

November 25th - 27th

Discovery Gardens Kenton



From Kenton:

Hello families!

The children of DG, Kenton are falling in love with Fall! The cooler weather, the colors, and the leaves/acorns are a source of amazements and curiosity. Please bring an extra coat, sweater or jacket for those chilly, morning walks. Of course, who could forget about the end of the month – Happy Halloween!

Toddler/Wobbler Class

Wobblers will be exploring leaves, pumpkins, sticks and acorns and using them as tools to sort and measure. Beautiful fall colors inspire the wobblers to learn about red, orange, brown, and yellow, as well as the letters P, L, H, W and G. They will enjoy making fun shaker bottles and an art project with leaves - "Leaf Man". We are excited to see the costumes for Halloween!

Preschool A

Our observant preschoolers are noticing all the weather changes and express their interest in the rain, especially puddles. Our preschoolers are so independent, as well as, keeping track of their masks, shoes and jackets for their chilly, early afternoon walks. We will start using 5 masks per day - they will be changed after meals and nap. Learning about pumpkins, farms, harvesting, sunflowers, and Halloween are the highlights of the month. We are excited to see their costumes!

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Happy Halloween!!!

The pandemic may force us to do things differently, this year - But, if you decide to participate in the festivities, please keep the following tips in mind.

Halloween Safety Tips: Walk Safely

1. **Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.**
2. **Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.**
3. **Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.**
4. **Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.**

Trick or Treat with an Adult: Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. Find more information at:

<https://www.safekids.org/tip/halloween-safety-tips>

Infant Class

Infants are enjoying the nice, cool weather, on walks, and noticing acorns and leaves. Please bring an extra sweater or jacket for chilly, morning walks. Most of our infants are mobile now and very busy exploring the classroom. Our youngest and newest infant is Ramona. We are so happy to have her joining the infant class. Her new friends have been so gentle with her. All of our infants are excited to explore fall colors, leaves, pumpkins, squashes and so much more.



Discovery Gardens Columbia Knoll



Future Scientist!

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From Columbia Knoll

Hello Families!

Reminder: We are a “Nut free” zone – please, no peanut butter or any other items with nuts in them.

Preschool: Science – parts of apples, parts of leaves and Fall leaf project.

Colors – yellow, Brown, and orange.

Letters – F thru J.

Numbers – 5 thru 10.

Wobblers / Toddlers: Practice sharing and takin turns.

Colors – Black and orange.

Numbers – 2 and 4.

Science – Parts of a pumpkin.



PreK Room



Infant/Wobbler Room

Discovery Gardens Lombard



Infant Room

We have updated the classrooms with new floor mats. We replaced the rugs with washable cute floor mats that are more cleanable. They are washed and sanitized daily.

We are also taking every precaution to make sure your child's classroom is cleaned and sanitized. Please make sure that you have, at least, 5 masks for your child to keep at school, if he/she is 3 years old or older. They must have a new mask, if they take theirs off or when they eat / wake from naptime. If you have any questions, please call me.

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Happy October!!!

Hello Families,

Letter from the Director:

We are so excited to welcome some new friends and family to school and are so excited for the arrival of Fall! Our new theme this month is "Harvest". I want to encourage you to help make an "All About Me" poster with your child, if you have not already done so. Some things we will be learning about, in this unit, are: How we grow foods, Farming, Farm animals, Pumpkins and more! Our dress up day, this month, will be Oct 31st and will be costumes!

Upcoming dates:

School will be closed on Oct 16th

Dress up Day: Oct 31st – Wear your Halloween Costume to school!

Please remember, if your child is not feeling well and has a cough and/or fever, please keep them home and call me. (971-400-8816) Please make sure that you have, at least, 5 masks for your child to keep at school, if he/she is 3 years old or older. They must have a new mask, if they take theirs off or when they eat / wake from naptime. If you have any questions, please call me.

Warmly,

Mrs. Kim and the Lombard Team



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