

# Newsletter

KJ Academy - June 2011

#### **Summer Time**

It's getting hotter outside, summer time is finally here! We will be spending more time outside enjoying the hot sun. To ensure that we have all the fun outside, we also need to be safe from the sun. Please make sure your child has a hat, sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher), and sunglasses (optional) in his/her cubby. Teachers will assist children in applying sunscreen if needed. Let's make it a fun and safe summer together!

# **Vegetable/Flower Garden**

We have planted new seeds and flowers in our garden. The children helped plant all the seeds and plants that we bought during our small field trip to the flower shop.

The flowers gave our playground some more color and hopefully we can harvest our vegetable garden soon!



Walking on train tracks on West Boulevard during the Play Palace field trip in Kerrisdale. (Tracks are out of service)



#### **Kindergarten Club**

The Kindergarten Club is halfway through the alphabet! From time to time, please talk to your child about the letters we have learned. Doing so will help them familiarize the letters.

In June, we will be learning about letter N, O & P.

Please remember to bring pictures of the letter that we will be learning that week for our alphabet scrapbook. The children have been very excited to look through it. It's been helping them memorize and make the connection between the letter and the picture.

Please also make sure that your child gets some time to draw in their journals and tell you what it's about. The journals are not only for trace letter practice.



# Pyjama/Movie Day

This month's Pyjama/Movie Day will be on June 24th, 2011. Mark your calendars!!!

Don't forget PJs and a movie!

#### GoodBye

We are sad to announce that **Zoe** and **Nolan's** family will be leaving our KJA family in the end of June. Zoe and Nolan will be starting Kindergarten in the fall and in the meantime will be enjoying summertime with their family. We will miss you all! Wish you all the best!



The children are doing "Making the Salad" activity with Ms. Melissa and Mr.Tony.



Linda, Stephanie and Vivien are doing the stamping art activity.

#### **New Chef**

We have hired a new chef for KJA! Her name is Anju. She is very friendly and has lots of experience prior to this job. Chef Nancy has been training Anju for the past week, Anju is very excited and ready to join KJA. If you have a chance to see her during her hours, feel free to introduce yourselves so she can get to know you better.



A group picture with Chef Nancy on her last day.



#### **First Aid Training**

All the staff at KJA, including our new chef, have updated our first aid training during the end of May!

## **Earthquake Kit**

We have looked through all the earthquake kits and made a list of who needs a kit, who has missing items/needs to update their kit.

Please check the sign-in table for the list of items your child is missing or whether or not he/she needs a kits.

The earthquake kit should have the following items:

- Tissue/Wipes
- Mini first aid (Band Aid)
- Solar blanket
- Water
- Non perishable food
- Index card with child's name, address, parents/guardians' name and emergency contacts
- Photo of family
- Letter from parents/guardians (optional)

All items should be put into a large zip lock bag.

We need all the kits to be completed by June 30th, 2011. If the earthquake kit is not brought in by the date, the staff will put together a kit for the cost of \$20. Families may also purchase earthquake kit from KJA for the same cost.

# **Graduation Ceremony**

Our Graduation Ceremony was a raging success and so much fun! We are so happy that so many families were able to attend and help make this into such a special event for the children! We wish all of the graduating children all the best of luck as they enter the school system!



# **Leaving Child in Car**

We have concerns from parents that they saw other parents leaving their child in the car during dropping off of another child in KJA. During our first aid training, the instructor talked about the dangers of leaving a child in the car by himself/herself. Children should NEVER be left in the car alone. IT IS AGAINST THE LAW and is a form of neglect that could be reported as child abuse.



#### **Report Cards**

We will be distributing Term 2 report cards in mid-June. Look out for them in your child's mailbox! A parent-teacher sign up sheet will be up shortly after the distribution of the report cards.

We have not received the following children's report card: **Benjamin**, **Helen**, **Jason**, **Linda**, **and Vivien**. Please return it as soon as possible as it was due back within one week of receiving it. Thank you.

# **Parent Information Night**

We will be having a parent information night in mid-July regarding KJA. Bring your families or friends if they are interested in enrolling their child in KJA. Please stay tuned for more information.

#### **Happy Birthday**

Claire-June 6

Mr. Shaun- June 13



### Cubby

Please take some time to look through your child's cubby, we have noticed that some children have stored many pair of shoes. To prevent overflow, each child should only have one pair of indoor shoes, one pair of outdoor shoes and one pair of boots in their cubby. Cubbies should be cleaned out regularly.



The children are having a discussion with Ms. Melissa about what they know about fire, while Ms. Aniko types it on the computer.

#### What do we know about Fire?

- If the ground breaks apart fire will come out Hunter
- If there's a fire in a house and it gets so hot, you could burn another house next door — Benjamin
- Is fire hot enough to go through dirt? Kieran
- Fire comes from plugs (like plugs in the wall) Claire
- Electricity in the plugs can turn into fire in the lamp—Caleb
- Fire gets out of the house and goes on our bodies you need to go to the hospital- Mya
- If fire is on a tree, the tree will fall down- Claire
- Fire is so hot, it can burn the floor, cut it in half Benjamin
- Fire will make you die Caleb
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#### **Kiddy Chefs**

In May, we made fruit salad, the children had fun dicing and peeling the fruit, then mixing it all together in to giant bowl. It was messy but fun!

For this month, we will be making oatmeal raisin cookies. Please mark your calendars for June 29, 2011.

#### **Latest Documentation**

Our investigation of living things and new beginnings have slowly come to an end. We have put up the balloons that children made and family pictures up in the big family tree in the nap area.

If you have not yet brought pictures in, please do, so that we can put them up in the Kiddy Junction family tree. We ask parents to please bring in pictures of your child: one baby picture, one recent picture and one family picture.



For our latest documentation, Ms. Melissa found that the children showed an interest in 'fire'

and had a long discussion about what they know about it. The children talked about how dangerous fire can be, where it comes from, what it does, what we use of for, etc. Our new investigation about fire is branching out to firefighters, forest fires and fire safety. We still have lots of investigation to do!

If you haven't have the chance to see the Kiddy Junction family tree, please take some

time to look at it in the nap area. The children are very proud of it.



#### Star of the Month

Yan Ni is our Star of the Month! She is very friendly towards others and is helpful to other children (especially new children) and teachers. Keep up the good work, Nini! Don't forget to bring your poster!



### A Special Thank You To

Linda and Vivien's family for contributing to new plants in the playground.

#### **Practicum Student:**

We will be having another practicum student joining us at KJA. Shannon will be doing her practicum with us from June 24-July 8. Feel free to introduce yourselves so that she can meet everyone at KJA.

### **Story Yoga**

The children absolutely loved yoga. In the calm atmosphere with candles, they are able to express their feeling and creativity through their body language. During the experience their body is relaxed and calmed.

We are still collecting yoga mats for our yoga experiences. If you or someone you know has an old yoga mat you could donate, it would be greatly appreciated!



Children doing yoga during Story Yoga.

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# June 2011

Saturday	4	11	18	25	
Friday	Recycling Duty. Edward 3	Recycling Duty: Hunter 10	Recycling Duty: Ivy 17	Recycling Duty: Derri 24  PJ Movie Day!	
Thursday	2	Music Class	16 Marpole Park	23	30
Wednesday	1	8 Ebisu Park	15	22 DLG Park	Kiddy Chefs
Tuesday		7  Parent Participation: Joanna (Sophia)	14 Story Yoga	Music Class	28
Monday		6 Claire's Birthday	13 Mr. Shaun's Birthday	20	27
Sunday		2	12	19	26



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