

# March 2023

Family Newsletter



## WHAT'S HAPPENING!!

### Kindergarten Transition

#### Kindergarten Open House

Kindergarten Open House will be on March 7th, 2023-

Please contact your local schools to register for kindergarten open house. If your child will turn 5 yrs old by September 1st, 2023, it is highly recommended to attend open houses and register!

Kindergarten Transition Tracking Forms- If your child has been accepted to a kindergarten program for the 2023-2024 school year, please take a moment to complete this form: [2023 Kindergarten](#)

## Save the Dates

**Kindergarten Open House March 7th**

**Monthly Family Meeting  
March 15th from 5:30pm-6:30pm**

**Pre-K Family Day Recycled Art  
March, 16th from 1:00pm-2:00pm**

**Professional Development  
NO Prek or AFTER Care  
March 17th**

**DEI Advisory Committee  
March 22nd  
6:00pm-7:00pm**

**Click Here to Access Full Calendar for March: [2023 March](#)**

# Parent Partnerships and Engagement

## Parent/Family Monthly Meeting

Our Next Parent/Family Meeting will be held via zoom on March 15th from 5:30pm-6:30pm. To Register for this meeting, click here: [March Family Meeting](#)

## Parent/Family Q & A Surveys

Can't make a meeting, no problem! Take a moment to complete this survey to share your concerns, have your questions answered and provide your suggestions on how we can improve! We will share these questions/suggestions during our meetings:

Click here: [CPH Parent Q & A](#)

## Pre- K Family Day!

All preschool parents are invited to their child's classrooms on March 16th from 1:00pm-2:00pm to help close out the recycle study and help their children transform recyclable materials into art! Please reach out to your child's teachers for more information!

## DEI Advisory Committee

In 2021, CPH created a DEI Advisory committee made up of families and staff members. Through this platform, we hope to maintain our standards of creating a warm and accepting space that celebrates all religions, cultures, orientations, gender identities, abilities, race, family structures, and more! Our DEI meetings are held monthly - drop in if you have feedback or suggestions on how we can bolster our initiatives.

To Register for our Next DEI Meeting on March 22nd from 6:00pm-7:00pm, Click Here: [DEI ADVISORY](#)

## 2023-2024 Prek & Summer Camp

### 2023-2024 Pre-K Registration Forms

As a reminder, our 2023-2024 pre-K Registration is available and we have mainstreamed our applications process. If your child is a currently enrolled student, that will be returning next year, or has a sibling that is 3 yrs old by September 1st, or if you know someone that has a 3 year old, please complete or share this survey:

[2023-2024 Pre-K Application](#)

### 2023 Summer Camp

As a reminder, our 2023 Summer Camp Registration is available! Summer Camp program is Monday through Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm with all meals included. To register, please complete or share this survey: [2023 Summer](#)

## Sick Children

There has been an increase in children and adults/staff that has been sent home with fevers, diarrhea, and stomach viruses. If your child is sick and exhibiting any of these symptoms, please keep them home until they are fever, diarrhea, and virus

FREE!

## Security Deposits/Late Fees/Late Payments

### Security Deposits

Some families have already reached out to us to request payment plan options for security deposits and those payment plans have been recorded in their accounts. If you require a payment plan for a security deposit, please contact me to further discuss. All security deposits that are on a payment plan, will be extended to March 30th due date. Accounts without a payment plan option, will be subject to possible late fees and loss of childcare.

## Late Payments, ELRC, and Late Fees

All late payments will be charged a \$25 Late fee, by Wednesday of each week. Any late co-payments will be reported to ELRC 18, and your childcare funding will be in jeopardy of a sanction until payments are made. If any account is more than two weeks past due, we will discontinue care accounts are paid in full, which may also cause discontinue of childcare services.

## Advocacy Opportunities

### Kids Campaign

The Kids' Campaign is the first of its kind in Philadelphia – a nonpartisan effort that is not backing a candidate and that defines the election solely on the safety of children and youth. Through candidate questionnaires and forums, The Kids' Campaign will share with voting parents and young adults the information they need to determine which candidate will keep Philly's children safe.

The Kids Campaign needs your help! Endorse the Kids Agenda if you believe the next mayor of Philadelphia must be a mayor for kids and must take action on the Kids Agenda. Help us hold the next mayoral accountable to the children of Philadelphia.

Click Here to Join Our Campaign: [KidsCampaign](#)

## A Message from the Executive Director Women's History Month



Women's History Month has been honored annually since 1987 as a way of recognizing the invaluable contributions women have made and continue to make across generations. Starting as Women's History Week in 1982, the celebration has grown to this month-long homage for our revered female role models. It's especially important for kids to learn about the struggles women have faced and continue to face, so it's essential we take time with our children to read about, discuss, and honor the accomplishments of women - not only during Women's History Month but every day!

By commemorating Women's History Month, both boys and girls can learn the legacies of important women and feel empowered to create their own. We can inspire children to gain confidence in themselves through consuming media (print or digital) that celebrates the beauty of being a woman and showcases strong female characters. Celebrating Women's History Month also ensures that these stories are not forgotten, so generations of women to come can continue creating history. What ways do you commemorate this special month with your children?