

**Discovery Isle
Preschool
23785 Washington
Avenue**

Discovery Isle

September 2020

Welcome to Discovery Isle

We are so excited that so many new families have joined us at Discovery Isle, Murrieta for the 2020-2021 school year. We have several activities planned in the upcoming months. Our center newsletter will inform you of everything that is going on around the center. We will also include informative articles, great recipes for you to do at home with your child, and a full page of center related topics. Watch for your newsletter via email!

Dates to Remember in September

September 7th:
CLOSED for Labor Day

September 28th-October 2nd
Scholastic Book Fair

SEE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR
SPECIFIC DRESS UP DAYS!

Who's Who

On behalf of myself and my staff, we would like to welcome your family to our family. We are so excited to start another new school year!

I wanted to take this time to formally introduce you to our entire staff.

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| Executive Director | Cheryl Bowman |
| Principal | Ms. Ashley |
| Assistant Principal | Ms. Melissa |
| Office Administrator | Ms. Dream |
| Infant/Toddler Teacher | Ms. Lauren |
| Infant Assistant Teacher | Ms. Rebecca |
| Infant Assistant Teacher | Ms. Tiffany |
| Toddler Assistant Teacher | Ms. Sam |
| Rm 2 Teachers | Ms. Jessica Ms. Bernice |
| Intermediates: Rm 3 Teacher | Ms. Briyanna |
| Intermediates: Rm 4 Teacher | Ms. Heather |
| Pre-K: Rm 5 Teacher | Ms. Cathy |
| Pre-K: Rm 6 Teacher | Ms. Debbie |
| Supportive Staff | Ms. Crystal |



Facebook

If you have not "liked" our Discovery Isle Facebook page yet- please do so! We post something often to highlight an exciting activity that took place in one of our classrooms that week.

You never know when your child could be featured!



Discovery Isle Newsletter

The End of Summer

Our summer calendar looked very different this year—
We hope your child enjoyed all of the fun events we planned for them!

Although our class schedule didn't change over the summer,
I want to remind parents how important it is to have the
children here by 8:45 a.m.

Class starts at 9 a.m. and having the children settled in and ready to go makes a huge
difference in their day. They are able to participate in all of our morning activities,
and don't feel awkward walking into an activity already in progress.

We do notice that children that are here for morning circle absorb important pieces
of the academics that children who don't make it for circle are missing.

Get the most out of your tuition investment, and give your child the opportunity
to learn as much as they can during their day with us!

Thank you for your help!

Visit our Website
www.discoveryisle.com

When I'm building in the block room,
Please don't say I'm "Just playing."
For, you see, I'm learning as I play,
About balance, I may be an architect someday.

When I'm getting all dressed up,
Setting the table, caring for the babies,
Don't get the idea I'm "Just Playing."
I may be a mother or a father someday.

When you see me up to my elbows in paint,
Or standing at an easel, or molding and
shaping clay,
Please don't let me hear you say, "He is Just
Playing."
For, you see, I'm learning as I play.
I just might be a teacher someday.

When you see me engrossed in a puzzle
Or some "playing" at my school,
Please don't feel the time is wasted in "play."
For you see, I'm learning as I play.
I'm learning to solve problems and
concentrate.
I may be in business someday.
Please don't think that because I enjoy it,
it is "Just Play."

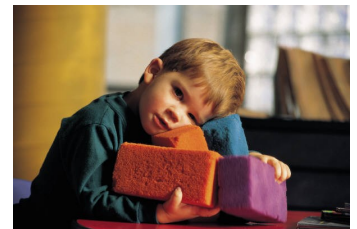
I'm learning to follow
directions and see the differences.
I may be a cook someday.

When you see me learning to skip, hop, run,
and move my body,
Please don't say I'm "Just Playing."
For, you see, I'm learning as I play.
I'm learning how my body works.
I may be a doctor, nurse, or athlete someday.

When you ask me what I've done at school
today,
And I say, "I just played."
Please don't misunderstand me.
For, you see, I'm learning as I play.
I'm learning to enjoy and be successful in my
work. I'm preparing for tomorrow.
Today, I am a child and my work is play.

Just Playing

Original Author Unknown



No More Tears: Making Child Care a Positive Experience

by Susan Ludwig

What can be more stressful than going back to work and finding good care for your child? How about having him look at you and cry when you drop him off the first day? Then, having him do the same thing the second day and the third. By this time, you're both tired, confused and frustrated. You may even question your decision to return to work and leave your beautiful, but unhappy, child in the hands of complete strangers.

It seems all children have to adjust in their own way to being away from home. There are some things you can do to make drop off time easier for you and your child.

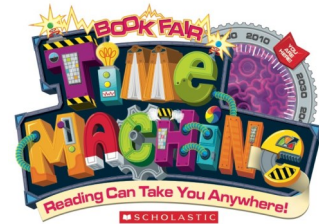
1. **Trust yourself.** If you're satisfied the care you've chosen is safe, well-staffed, licensed, and a secure and pleasant place for your child to spend his day, then leave doubts and guilt behind.
2. **Talk to your child.** Explain things as well as you can to your child, telling him you expect him to have a fun day and that you will see him later. Then, drop him off, say good-bye, and go on your way.
3. **Maintain a happy smile.** Don't let him see you appearing concerned or unhappy. Acting upbeat will reinforce to him he is in a positive place.
4. **Keep goodbyes short and simple.** Most care providers caution if you stay around and play with your child, pick him up, or otherwise prolong your leaving, he will become confused by your mixed messages. The staff expects children to have some problems adjusting to their new surroundings, and can tolerate tears.
5. **Stay in touch.** Call after a few hours to see how he is doing. Most likely you'll find he settled down in his own time, and is now content. (Some care centers now have closed-circuit video cameras, so anxious parents can check on their children whenever they want, via the Internet.)
6. **Stick to the same routine every morning.** For instance, wake your child, eat breakfast, dress him for the day, then get into the car and leave. Try not to make stops or do errands on the way to child care. He will quickly become used to the type of day he should expect.

Susan Ludwig is the Assistant Editor of *Today's Parent*

Scholastic Book Fair: September 28th-October 2nd

Although our Scholastic book fair will look quite different this year, we are excited to announce that we will be hosting our Fall bookfair in our front breezeway area! We have a planned a week of fun dress up days and hope that families will help support us during these unrepresented times so we can get new books for our school.

Monday: Come Dress as a Scientist



Tuesday: Going Back in Time Come Dress in 50's Attire



Wednesday: Come Dress in 70's Attire



Thursday: Come Dress in 80's Attire



Friday: Come Dressed in a futuristic outfit

