

**Discovery Isle
Preschool
23785 Washington
Avenue**

Discovery Isle

September 2022

Welcome to Discovery Isle

We are so excited that so many new families have joined us at Discovery Isle, Murrieta for the 2022-2023 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 5th:
CLOSED for Labor Day

September 19th-September 23rd
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.

Executive Director	Cheryl Bowman
Principal	Ms. Melissa
Assistant Principal	Ms. Nefris
Infant Teacher	Ms. Stacey
Infant Teacher	Ms. Monique
Toddler Teacher	Ms. Gabbie
Toddler Assistant Teacher	Ms. Jessica
Toddler Assistant Teacher	Ms. Kaetlyn

Beginner: Rm 2 Teachers	Ms. Juana
	Ms. Monica

Intermediates: Rm 3 Teacher	Ms. Teresa
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Intermediates: Rm 4 Teachers	Ms. Vanessa
	Ms. Bre

Pre-K: Rm 5 Teachers	Ms. Cathy
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Pre-K: Rm 6 Teachers	Ms. Marissa
	Ms. Andrea

Support Staff:	Ms. Heather
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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

We hope your child enjoyed all of the fun summer 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."

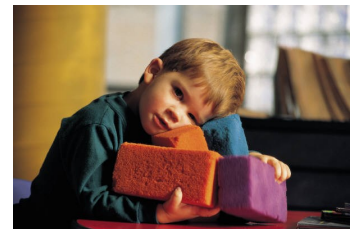
I'm learning to follow
directions and see the differences.
I may be a cook someday.

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.

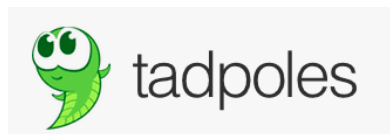
1. **Trust yourself.** If you're satisfied the care you've chosen is safe, well-staffed, licensed, and a secure and pleasant place for your child to spend his day, then leave doubts and guilt behind.
2. **Talk to your child.** Explain things as well as you can to your child, telling him you expect him 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.

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Are you checking your child out of school each day?

A great rule of thumb is to make sure your child is ALWAYS right there with you when you are using the iPad to sign him/her in or out. You don't want to sign them out before you have actually removed them from their classroom.

Thank you for making sure this is a top priority. If you aren't sure whether or not you are using the iPad correctly, just ask for help at the front desk. We would be happy to help you!



→ Late Pick-Up Policy at 6 p.m.

Please remember that our center CLOSES at 6 p.m. Please plan enough time at pick-up to gather your child and their belongs by 6 p.m.

Thank you for your attention to this matter!

Pick-ups after 6 p.m. will be charged a fee of \$1 per minute.

Thank you!!!



We will be hosting our Trunk-or-Treat event on Friday, October 7h.

Watch for signs ups this month to come if you would like to participate .

We can not wait to see all your ideas come to life again –so start thinking ahead!

Busy Bee
Extra-Curricular Program
offers different programs for
children ages 2-5.

Sports, Dance, and Tumble classes are led
by Miss Melissa,
our Busy Bee instructor.

Her class is ADORABLE, and the children really
seem to enjoy themselves!

Classes are held here at the school on various
days. See the front desk for more information on
any of these great classes



Classes start in October