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 **Happy New Year**

We hope you all enjoyed the holiday season! The month of December was a very busy time for everyone.

- Thank you to PROP for the scrumptious holiday desserts that were provided to staff on December 14th. The desserts were delicious and much appreciated!
- Parent/teacher conferences held on December 9th provided parents with updated progress and suggestions for home. We were happy that so many of you were able to attend.
- Many parents from DLC-Union visited DLC - Warren and DLC -New Providence in December. We are eager to welcome our students and families to their DLC locations and anticipate a smooth transition in September.

Community Programs

During the holiday season, DLC-Warren was involved in several programs. Each year students support The Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown. Once again, food donations were collected from DLC families, staff and friends and sent to the soup kitchen. In addition, our students packaged silverware into packets that were used by patrons of the soup kitchen. Packages were filled with utensils, pepper, salt and a napkin. During the most recent collection period, students completed over 500 packaged silverware packets. We are very proud of their hard work.

Upcoming Events



- Valentine's Day Dance: Fri., Feb. 11th, 2011 at 1:45 p.m.
- Special Person's Day: Mon., Feb. 14th at 10:00 A.M. - for intermediate students
- Special Person's Day: Tues., Feb. 15th at 10:00 A.M. - for secondary students
- Special Person's Day: Wed., Feb. 16th at 10:00 A.M. - for preschool/primary students
- Read Across America: Mar. 1st-4th, 2011
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: Thurs., Mar. 3rd, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Autism Awareness Walk: Tues., Apr. 13th, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.; rain date Wed., Apr. 14th
- Parent Training Series: Tues., Mar. 8th-May 17th at 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at DLC-New Providence
- Parenting Issues: "School Job Sampling", Thurs., May 19th, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at DLC-Warren

DLC Happenings



Art Club

Art Club is busy working with clay and the potter's wheel. An art show took place during parent/teacher conferences. In addition to spinning bowls and pots, ceramic figures included characters from Charlie Brown and different zoo animals were also on display. Students continue to learn the basics of ceramics as well as develop their art skills.

Holiday Luncheon

Several of our students were invited to attend a holiday luncheon presented by the Rotary Club of Watchung/Warren. The Watchung Middle School Choir and Band entertained us. Santa came and presented gifts to all the students. It was a wonderful holiday celebration.

Chelsea Holiday Caroling

Members of The Chelsea, an assisted living facility, came to DLC-Warren to sing holiday songs to students. Both students and staff joined in the singing and everyone had a festive time. We are very excited to continue to foster our friendship with our neighbors.



Curriculum Corner

Arlene & Claudine



Community Based Instruction (CBI)

Community Based Instruction (CBI) at the DLC is designed to provide our students intensive teaching in functional and daily living skills. CBI is defined as educational instruction in naturally occurring community environments that provide students with "real life experiences". Our goal is to provide a variety of hands on learning opportunities at all age levels to help students acquire the skills needed to live in the world today.

Students learn skills such as, shopping, money handling, counting change, paying for goods and services, banking, budgeting, using time concepts and time management skills, map skills, reading menus, and identifying environmental signs. CBI occurs on a regularly scheduled basis and related to IEP objectives.

School Security Drills:

A new law took effect on November 1, 2010 requiring each school in New Jersey to hold at least one fire drill and one school security drill within the school hours for every month when school is in session. All school districts conduct the following drills:

Fire drill - one time per month, students and staff report to designated locations outside the school building on school grounds.

Lock down drill - all students and staff are secure in classrooms with the lights off and door closed.

Active shooter drill - all students and staff are secure on the floor in their classrooms with protection from furniture, lights off and door closed.

Bomb threat - Evacuation of building and all staff and students meet in a designated central location.

Evacuation - all students and staff evacuate the building and meet at a designated central location. . Students would then be escorted by the town's police department to a second designated location for safety purposes. In the event of an actual evacuation, parents would be notified of their child's location through the Honeywell Instant Alert System.

RECYCLING: DLCs' Bottle Cap Totals: 384,499 from June - December 2010

Please send your curriculum questions to:

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Holiday Concerts



Holiday concerts are always a fun event. We had concerts on December 14, 15, 16 and 17. Students prepared for weeks and enjoyed singing for students, parents and staff. Mr. Brian Dailey did a wonderful job of highlighting the talents of all our students and everyone had a fun time. Holiday concerts are a wonderful tradition at DLC-Warren.