

# The DCP Bee

Delaware Cooperative Preschool



November 2012

## General DCP Information

### Preschool and Toddler Time Schedule

*Drop-off time for Preschool* is 9:15 morning; 12:00 for afternoon. Toddler Time is 9:30. The school doors will be unlocked at 9:00. We appreciate the effort by the parents to say their goodbyes quickly so we can start our mornings no later than 9:30. Thanks.

*Pick-up time for Preschool* is 11:45 morning; 2:30 afternoon. Toddler Time is 11:30.

*Weather delays and cancellations.* DCP is closed if the Delaware City Schools are closed. If Delaware City Schools are delayed, the morning Preschool and Toddler class will start at 10:45 and end at 12:30. Afternoon preschool will start at 12:45 and end at 2:30.

### Handling illness

*If your child is sick* or will not be attending school please call the school number and leave a message. The DCP number is 740-369-7808.

*It is cold and flu season.*

Your children are probably going to get sick multiple times this school year due to the germs they may come in contact when they are out and about in public. Please do not send your children to school sick. See the member handbook that was given to all members at the beginning of the school year regarding DCP illness policies if you have any questions. Remember to have your children wash their hands, cover their cough and not share cups and clothing.

If you need further information about colds and flu, go to - <http://www.webmd.com/cold-and-flu/default.htm> .

### Lice Prevention

Also please be advised that this time of year it is not uncommon for lice to occur in the public schools. Currently there have been cases in all of Delaware City Elementary Schools as well as at Willis Intermediate and Dempsey Middle School. This website has information regarding lice and its treatment - <http://children.webmd.com/tc/lice-topic-overview>. If we have any cases at DCP a note will be posted on the bulletin board simply stating that lice has occurred

Please find the 2012-2013 DCP Directory attached to the newsletter email. Thank you to Gail and Mark Fitzharris for creating the directory.

### Save the Dates!

**11/5 – Scholastic Book Orders Due**

**11/8 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm**

**11/14 – Student/Parent Outing at Bare Bowl**

6 North Sandusky St, Delaware, Ohio  
Wednesday November 14, 2012 @  
1:30 p.m.

Several different ornaments can be picked from for the students to paint. Each ornament is \$5/each plus tax. Pay at the studio.

These make fantastic gifts at the holidays!

Look for the signup sheet outside the preschool door.

**11/15 – General Membership Meeting, 6:30pm Asbury UMC**

**11/19 – Scholastic Book Orders Due**

**11/19-11/23 No School, Thanksgiving Break**

**12/1 – Second tuition payment due**

Sign-up sheets and more information on DCP events are posted outside of the classroom, as well as available in your child's school folder.



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### Simple Ways to Support DCP

-Kroger rewards - don't forget to sign up!  
[www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

-Use Goodsearch as your search engine! We earn \$.01 for every search done under DCP's name! Also remember to use GoodShop when making purchases online. DCP will get a % of the amount spent!

- Save your inkjet cartridges and turn in at school! We turn in used inkjet cartridges to Office Max and get \$\$ to use toward office and school supplies.

-Delaware Community Market - a % of all purchases made go to DCP!

-Keep an eye out for Scholastic Book orders! This program is a great way for our teachers to earn free books and teaching aides for the classroom. Scholastic Books offers a variety of books in different forms (paperback vs. hardback) and bundles that may not be currently available in local bookstores, a great way to stock up for your child's library or to buy gifts.

-Collect Campbell's Soup Labels and turn them in next to the lockbox.

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## DCP Volunteers Needed

Needed: **A DCP parent to sort/organize our books!** Several years ago we set up a system of organization for our many books. Over time more books have been added, some books not put away properly and well, you can imagine the result. The system is there, it just needs some TLC. If you are interested, please see Ms. Linda in the Toddler Room. Thanks in advance for helping the teachers.....great resources exist for our kids, it is just a matter of finding them sometimes!

**The cleaning committee needs more members** to share the important weekly cleaning of the classroom. Help keep the classroom tidy and germ-free for our children during cold and flu season. Please contact Mindy Bodenhorn for more information. [mbodenhorn@columbus.rr.com](mailto:mbodenhorn@columbus.rr.com)

The format for the Magical Night of Giving has changed this year. DCP leaders have decided not to use this fundraiser. We are going to focus our efforts on the Chili Cook-Off in March. Please share any ideas you have for fundraisers with the fundraising chair, Alycia Ryan or share them at the upcoming General Membership Meeting.

### Meet Gina Breglia...

Gina Breglia holds the DCP Board position of Business Chair, for which she coordinates enrollment and schedule changes. She sells real estate for Keller Williams. She loves running, dogs, friends, and playing Ultimate Frisbee. Her children are Owen, 5, and Sam, 3. You might find her walking her dog in her free time. Her favorite aspects of Delaware Cooperative Preschool are the parent involvement and that it is Montessori-based.

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## Teaching at Home

### Montessori Activity: Pouring a drink

Age: 12 months+

Items needed:

- child sized clear glass jug (for the child to be able to handle and see the amount of water)
- child sized clear glass



Ask the child to sit beside you. Pick up the jug with 2 hands, one at the handle and one in front or under the jug for support. This is not necessary for adults but for children with limited strength they need to do this activity independently with using two hands to avoid incidents.

The child may later on be able to handle the jug with one hand but at first presentation always pour with two hands. Tap the mouth of the jug with the glass then slowly pour the water gently and let the child see what is happening. Fill the glass about halfway and ask the child to drink the water. After this you can ask the child to have a turn. You can repeat this [activity](#) over and over until the child chooses to do it independently during meal times or when thirsty.

As an extension one can have a special place in the fridge for the child to get their own drinks when they feel thirsty and have enough strength.