

Celebrate the Children



Weekly Newsletter

Special Olympics



Special points of interest:

•Special Olympics

•Upcoming Events

On Saturday, May 5th, Celebrate the Children participated in the Area 3 Special Olympics Track & Field competition. It was a beautiful, sunny day and a success for all of the athletes who participated. Our athletes competed in a variety of events, including the 50 meter dash, 200 meter dash, and 1 mile run. CTC also had 3 teams running in the relay races. Thank you to all who came out to cheer on CTC and congratulations to the athletes!



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A peek into the Classroom Jamie's Class

Our Science class has been very busy learning and exploring life cycles, and all of the important steps many animals take to develop and live. Our main focus this year is studying life cycles of local animals around us. We have worked hard by studying such cycles as the earthworm and their role in nature. We have discussed fun facts on bats and how they help aid keeping the insect population stable. The class has observed the life cycles of raccoons and foxes and worked on a project where they created their own matching words to pictures which infused Language arts and Science. They have worked on food chains and food webs. Many of our lessons begin with a short informative text followed by a hands on project or a mini lesson that requires cutting and pasting, true or false or comprehension questions which students complete independently. Our class also have experiments on Thursdays that have been messy, educational and fun working with our peers while we mix and create fun mixtures that the students set up and clean after the experiment is completed. Our class is looking forward to our next life cycles on frogs, owls, and butterflies.



SPRING PARENT SERIES

Spring Parent Series:

Brainstorming, Trouble Shooting, Collaborating and Supporting

Through this 5 week series, using their own videos - on a voluntary basis - parents will bring specific and general issues they would like to discuss to the group.

In this way, parents can learn from one another; questions and concerns can be addressed collaboratively. This is an opportunity for parents to experience shared problem solving and reflections as well as support one another.

No other previous group attendance is necessary

FRIDAYS: 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

DATES: May 18th, 25th and June 1st

Please RSVP to:

Mady Kaplan LCSW @ mkaplan@celebratethechildren.org or 973-989-4033 Ext. 421





**School for Children with Alternative Learning Styles
Developmental Individual Relationship-Based Intervention®
www.celebratethechildren.org**

230 Diamond Spring Road Denville, NJ 07834
Phone: 973-989-4033 Fax: 862-244-4969

Parent Training Group

Topic: *Parent Healing Group: Parent and Child Meditation*

June 13, 2018 at 12:30 pm



Glenn Ben-Ezra, Teacher of Healing and Meditation. We all become bogged down with the daily stressors in our lives. These not only have an impact on us, but on our children as well. Glenn will provide you with a series of practices that are accessible for you and your child.

Be sure to wear comfortable, loose fitting clothing as this is an experiential class.

Space is limited in the yoga studio, so we have a limited number of spaces. Please RSVP early to hold your seat!

Location:

CTC's Yoga Room

RSVP required by June 6 to:

Student & Family Support Services

Jennifer Mandato

(973) 989-4033 x 413 or jmandato@celebratethechildren.org



CTC/TGIF 6th ANNUAL TALENT NIGHT!

WHEN: Friday May 18. 2018 7:00-9:00

WHERE: CTC School Denville “Main Stage” Gymnasium, 230 Diamond Spring Road, Denville, NJ 07834

WHO: CTC High School/Adult Program Students & Staff & Roxbury PEC TGIF Teen/Young Adult Group

BRING: Bring whatever you need for your performance... Instruments, Costumes, Props, Roadies, etc. **AND** a Snack & Drink to Share

RSVP: to Linda, ldimick@celebratethechildren.org or Cheri, calexander@celebratethechildren.org, with name's & number of people attending

We need to hear from anyone attending; Performers & Fans, so we can put together a line up & prep seating. You do not need to be performing to attend but we still need to get an RSVP from anyone joining us. If you are performing we would like to know what your act will be. You will have approximately 5-10 minutes to perform depending on how many acts sign up.

PARENTS MUST Sign in When Dropping off & are Welcome to Stay

IMPORTANT NOTE: We can't guarantee that there will be enough VOLUNTEER Support to meet the individual needs of all participants so if your child requires individual support please plan on attending or having your child accompanied to this event.

**PARTICIPANTS WILL NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE REST OF THE SCHOOL
Got to be on the GUEST LIST to get in!**



-Welcome to Wonderful Wednesdays-



Dear CTC Parents,



Please join our team of Wonderful Wednesday parents. Our mission is to show our thoughtful appreciation to CTC teachers, aides and staff who do so much to help our children discover inner strengths and become the best they can be. Once a month we treat these amazing people to continental breakfast delights including such goodies as coffee, yogurt, bagels, fruits, danish, quiche etc. Wonderful Wednesdays are the second Wednesday morning* of each month. In order to do this, we need your support. It would be helpful if you could donate at least \$50 during the school year or make/bake something delicious and send it with your child on Wonderful Wednesday. **Please contact Carole McBride (Jordan and Isaiah's mom) by email at carolemcbride@comcast.net or at 908-798-0094 as soon as possible. If writing a check make payable to Carole McBride and please put Wonderful Wednesday in the memo.**

It is so important to show our CTC folks that parents appreciate their efforts. And breakfast is a simple way.

Thank you for your anticipated support,
Carole & Lori

Next Wonderful Wednesday 6/13

If there is a weather delay or closing we will have Wonderful Wednesday on the following Thursday and if Thursday is delayed or closed it will be on Friday.

Please note this is not a PTO effort



SAVE THE DATE!

Spring Concert 2018

"#CTCWHODUNIT?"

Thursday, June 7, 2018

The College of St. Elizabeth

Morristown, NJ

Pre Show 5:30

Curtain 6:15



2ND ANNUAL
RIDE FOR AUTISM
 ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
CELEBRATE THE CHILDREN SCHOOL

Saturday, July 14

Registration starts at 9AM. Kickstands up at 11AM.

50/50, FOOD, MUSIC & MORE

CELEBRATE THE CHILDREN (CTC) IS A NOT FOR PROFIT SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN DENVILLE, NJ. CTC CURRENTLY SERVES 135 STUDENTS FROM 75 DIFFERENT DISTRICTS THOUGHOUT NJ, NY & PA.

RIDERS \$20 * PASSENGERS \$15 * BBQ ONLY \$10

FREE CUSTOM PATCH DESIGNED BY CTC STUDENTS FOR THE FIRST 100 REGISTRANTS

PRE-REGISTER AT CELEBRATETHECHILDREN.ORG

Randi 973-898-7100

Kristin/Jenna 973-989-4033 Ext. 199 or 415



Garden State Harley-Davidson
 1775 Rt. 10 East Morris Plains, NJ 07950
 973-898-7100

Spring 2018 'Making A Difference For Autism Scholarship' Application Now Open To High School Graduates And Current College Students Who Are On The Autism Spectrum!

Hey everyone,

Please find our Spring 2018 Scholarship Application at:

<https://kfmmakingadifference.org/scholarship-programs-for-adults-with-autism/>

Please pass along to any student who may be looking for aid and would like to apply. Deadline is May 28th.

If you'd like to make a tax-deductible donation to support our scholarship fund moving forward for these students you can donate today here:

<https://kfmmakingadifference.org/donate/>

Just a quick note: All high school students with autism attending a post-secondary program in the 2018-2019 academic year may apply. In addition, all current college students with autism may apply as well who will be attending a post-secondary program in the 2018-2019 academic year. Previous winners of our scholarship also may reapply as long as you update your application and submit a new original essay. We've had several multiple winners in the past.

Thanks everyone!

Best,

KFM Scholarship Committee

www.kerrymagro.com



2018
INCLUSION FESTIVAL

A sensory-friendly music, yoga, and wellness festival for all ages and abilities



July 28-29, 2018
Mountain Sky - Jermyn, PA

Inclusion Festival is for individuals with special needs, and those who support them and want to empower them. This is the nation's first autism and sensory-friendly outdoor music and wellness festival, and will feature live music, educational workshops, play-based workshops, sensory spaces, a community resource fair, opportunities to connect with nature, theatrical performances, and
SO MUCH MORE!

Inclusion Festival is presented in partnership with Accessible Festivals, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which specializes in ensuring that music festivals are accessible to anyone, regardless of their ability.

Sponsorships, group tickets, volunteer, and vendor opportunities available now!

www.inclusionfestival.com



Parents, Adults, Educators, Professionals & Students
High School Transition Conference & Resource Expo
Sunday, June 3, 2018

The College of New Jersey (TCNJ)
2000 Pennington Road, Education Building, Ewing, NJ
08628

32 informative workshops
Breakfast and lunch provided
Networking and Resource Expo
Certificates for 6 Professional Development hours
distributed

NJEA Professional Endorsement

To register with a credit card go
to: www.LDANJ603.eventbrite.com

Early registration by May 1: Students \$25, Members \$50,
Non-members \$75.

Questions? 732-645-2738 or info@LDANJ.org

14th Annual Autism



**Sunday, September 9th from 9am – 4pm
7th Avenue Beach, Belmar, NJ**

New Jersey's largest and most talked about family friendly autism event!

What is the Beach Bash?

The Beach Bash is an annual event hosted by Autism Family Services of New Jersey for individuals and their families living with autism spectrum disorders. This free event is held each September in Belmar for families and includes organized activities, DJ, arts and crafts booth, informational vendors, lunch, beach games and more. Families have an opportunity to network and partake in organized activities throughout the day. Also included in the day's activities is a free surf camp featuring [Surfer's Healing](#) (separate registration required). One of the highlights of the day is the opportunity to surf with Surfers Healing, if you register May 5 through May 11 at www.surfershealing.org and receive confirmation that you are accepted.

For sponsorship opportunities,
Please contact Jacqui Moskowitz
at (732) 262-8020 or email
jmoskowitz@autismfamilyservicesnj.org

For exhibitor opportunities,
Please contact Jennifer Gleason
at (877) 237-4477 or email
jgleason@autismfamilyservicesnj.org

Register @ autismbeachbash.org

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Sam's Hope Social Group will be hosting - Night of Nonsense

Saturday, May 19th, 3-6 pm

Knowlton Presbyterian Church

3 Knowlton Rd, Columbia

Please RSVP to samshopeincorporated@gmail.com

or

Call/Text: 908-343-4960

Spring Concert "It's a Mystery"

June 7th Pre Show 5:30 Curtain 6:16

College of Saint Elizabeth

Annunciation Center

2 Convent Road

Morristown, New Jersey 07960

Purchase tickets at:

www.celebratethechildren.org

Wonderful Wednesdays for CTC Staff 6/13

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RSVP REQUIRED by 6/6

jmandato@celebratethechildren.org

Pre K Graduation and 8th Grade Step-Up Ceremony

June 20th 11am

Gymnasium

12th Grade Moving Up Ceremony and Young Adult Program Graduation

June 21st 11am

Gymnasium

2nd Annual Ride for Autism

Saturday, July 14, 2018

Ride begins and ends at

GARDEN STATE HARLEY-DAVIDSON

1775 Route 10 East, Morris Plains, NJ 07950

Registration begins @ 10:00am

Kickstands up @ 11:00am

Pre register at celebratethechildren.org



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