

CCC Newsletter

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The mission of Concord Children's Center is to cultivate an intimate, welcoming community where children develop respectful relationships and inquisitive minds, build confidence in their individual gifts, and are engaged, prepared and inspired to learn.

Saturday, March 28 Concord Children's Center Auction 2009

- Save the date!**
- Line up the babysitter!**
- Invite another family**
- Volunteer to help on one of the committees**



Volunteer on our Website

All of our auction committees will be looking for help to make this year's auction a success. Watch for sign up sheets at your program or you can sign up to volunteer for the auction on the CCC website, by going to: <http://concordchildrenscenter.org/auction/>.

CCC Calendar

February 10

CCC Board Meeting 7:30PM @ West Concord
Tuition Discussion

February 17

09-10 Applications due

February 20

Auction Donation Forms due

February 16

CCC Closed, Presidents Day

February 17-20

Optional Days

Concord Family Network

www.concordfamilynetwork.org

Winter Play Space Open (Dec. thru March) -- FREE

for CFN members, all ages welcome on most (see schedule) Fridays, 9:30-11:30am, at the Hunt Rec. Ctr. in Concord. Please contact Michelle Pflomm, mlpflomm@msn.com, for details.

What makes CCC Special



Our recent survey to families asking why they chose CCC and what they value came back with an overwhelming consensus that it is our teachers that make CCC so very special. Below are a few quotes from the survey.

"The main strength of CCC is the quality of the teaching staff (experience and education) and the longevity of employment by many of the teachers. It says a lot that so many people choose to remain in employment there over time. What I liked best about our experience was the friendliness and caring shown by the teachers towards the children and families in general".

"The teachers and staff are extremely knowledgeable, experienced, dedicated, professionals who care deeply about the child and his or her family. They offer their teaching expertise in a completely unpretentious way. They offer their guidance to families in a non judgmental way. They are grounded, mature people who have their heads and hearts in the right place. They work very hard to keep the children engaged and somehow meet the needs of the individual child."

"What have we liked most about our experience? The warm and friendly atmosphere we feel when we arrive. The creative projects we take home as we exit. The comfort of knowing that the teachers and staff really know our child as an individual, and appreciate her strengths and unique personality. The continuity of seeing her old teachers down the hall. The purple couch outside Anne's office. Making friends at the sandbox after school."

We very much appreciate this feedback from our families, validating the work we do to assure that we hire and retain the best teachers.

If you did not complete the on-line survey and would like to share any thoughts you have about CCC please feel free to email Pat Nelson at executive@concordchildrenscenter.org or call her at 978-369-3747

For Children of all ages CCC Presents: The Tanglewood Marionettes

The Fairy Circus

Sunday March 1, 4 Pm @

Emerson Umbrella - Stow Street, Concord

Bake sale immediately prior to the show



The Tanglewood Marionettes' Production of the Fairy Circus begins with a demonstration of the art of puppetry. During the demonstration children will learn, through humorous interplay, about various forms of puppets, from the simple glove puppet to the sophisticated marionette. Then it's on with the show! Featuring over twenty beautifully hand-crafted marionettes, "The Fairy Circus" is a show-case for turn-of-the-century-style trick puppetry. The puppets will dance, play instruments, juggle, contort, transform, and fly through the air with the greatest of ease, all to the best-loved music of favorite composers!

Tickets for the production are \$8 per person, \$10 at the door with a maximum of \$30 per family. Tickets are available at Concord Children's Center sites, The Concord Toy Shop, Concord Bookshop, and Fritz and GiGi's in Concord. Tickets are also available at the Learning Express in Acton and Sudbury, and Auntie Erl's in Bedford as well as at the door on the day of the performance. The events proceeds will help support the schools tuition assistance program and the continuous improvement of the school facilities.

Concord Family Network ~ February Events

(For all events, find details and RSVP information at www.concordfamilynetwork.org)

- ****2011 Kindergarten Playgroup**, February 2nd, 9:15-10am – join the playgroup at Tim Seston's Concord Stories and Song, 51 Walden; RSVP
- **CFN Day at One Stop Fun**, February 3rd and March 3rd, 9am-6pm – take advantage of an all-day reduced entrance fee of \$5/child for CFN members
- **CFN Day at One Stop Fun, 5+ Event**, February 3rd and March 3rd – join the 5+ group from 2-4pm; RSVPs due ASAP
- **Winter Play Space**, February 5th, 12th and 26th, 9:30-11:30am – CFN's indoor play area at the Hunt Recreation Center for the cold winter months; RSVP to cvlogan@comcast.net
- **CFN Valentine's Party**, February 14th, 3-5pm – come to the Thoreau Club for crafts, cookies, and a presentation by Animal Adventures (starting at 3:45pm)
- **Vacation Week Movie Morning**, February 17th, 9:30am – join us at Emerson Umbrella for a family-friendly screening; RSVPs REQUIRED – concordfamilyntwk@yahoo.com
- **Mom's Night Out at Main Streets Market & Cafe**, February 19th, 7-9pm – join other moms for food, drinks, and music; RSVP to concordfamilyntwk@yahoo.com
- ****2012 Kindergarten Playgroup**, February 22nd, 3-5pm – join the group to play at a member's home; RSVP
- ****2013 Kindergarten Playgroup**, February 23rd, 10:30am – join the group to play at a member's home; RSVP
- **CFN Planning Meeting**, February 26th, 7-9pm, Concord Library, lower level

NEW CFN playgroups for kids based on the year in which they will enter Kindergarten. Playgroups will meet regularly. Contact CFN or look on the website for details.