

Footsteps Newsletter

Parent

March 2010



*“A LIGHT exists in spring
Not present on the year
At any other period.
When March is scarcely here”
Emily Dickinson*

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PLEASE remember to submit articles, ideas, and thank you's or a shout out to jcaudill@stepbystepacademy.org or inter-office mail them by April 14, 2010 to be included in our next newsletter! Your participation and ideas make the newsletter more fun for everyone to read!

Thanks!



Dear Parents,

The birds are chirping, the snow is melting, the sun is shining and it's starting to look a lot like Spring. Well one can hope! As nature is waking up and everything is blooming so does all of our springtime activities here at SBSA. Last week we sent home our center's calendar of events. This year we did something different, we made an 18 month calendar and each month showcases a group or child's artwork. This was a gift we gave to all of our families. If you would like extras please stop by building G and our receptionist, Susan Pratt, will be happy to help you with your purchase. We are only asking for at least a \$3.00 donation for these wonderful gifts, which are great gifts for a grandparent, friend, neighbor or coworker. All of the funds collected will be put back into our Art program.

We are also finishing up the Easter Egg Hunt plans. There will be pictures with the Easter Bunny, a big Easter egg hunt, art projects and concession stand that will include coffee, hot dogs, chips, donuts, pastries and more for just a few dollars. All the collected money will go back into Easter Egg Hunt fund for 2011. Another reminder, please see the new date where there is no session for our clients, June 1, 2010. There will be a staff training, in-service day, to accommodate training and preparing for summer services. I apologize for not adding our start and end date for summer services. It's amazing how many times we proofed the calendar and we still missed those dates. To help clear up this confusion the dates are June 14, 2010-August 13, 2010. We will be sending home the Summer Services information in Friday Folders this week or next. Another missed day on our calendar is SBSA will

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be closed on Monday, August 16 and on August 17 only our staff reports for a staff training day. Fall services will begin on Wednesday, August 18, 2010.

Finally as a reminder we have amazing Social Workers here at SBSA. They are here to offer services to you, your family and child. These ladies can assist you in finding additional services you need in your home, support for you and your family, support Groups and more. Please contact Sherry Leonard-Pea, Christina Giammarco or Beth Oxley for more information. Additionally, our social workers will be calling all of our families to re-enroll clients for the fall session, in April. These meetings will be by appointment and in building G. They will be updating every form, collecting missing documentation and answering any questions you may have regarding your child's upcoming year at SBSA. Items you should bring to your re-enrollment meeting is a list of your child's medication, information about any changes ie. School districts, mailing address, emergency contacts, pick-up/drop-off information, new IEP's, MFE's and any other information you feel might be pertinent to your child's file. If you have any questions regarding the re-enrollment process, you can either contact your social worker or the admissions department.

We hope that as the snow melts and spring arrives that our parents stop by building G to meet some of our new staff and have a cup of coffee or tea with us. It's time to reconnect. Happy Spring!

Tina Vetter-Director of Operations.



Staff Comings...

- **Step By Step Academy** would like to welcome our new training class of **Behavior Technicians!** Good luck, you will be awesome.
- **Laida Lavelle , Behavior Technician , February 2010**
- **John Wallace, Facilities Manager, March 2010**
- **Andrea Kopp , Occupational Therapist, March 2010**

...and Goings

- **Bonnie Frye February, 2010**
- **Jennifer Mitchell, February 2010**
- **Megan Watts-Hyer, February 2010**
- **Angie Westfall, February 2010**
- **Heidi Cottrilll, February 2010**
- **Ben Lammers, February 2010**
- **Victoria DiBias, March 2010**



Save the Date!

**April 3, 2010 - Easter Egg Hunt
(SBSA'S Campus) 12 Noon**

**April 12-16 - No Services Clients and Staff:
Spring Break!**

**May 31, 2010 - No Services Clients and Staff:
Memorial Day Observed**

**June 1, 2010 - No Services Clients;
Staff Development Day**

June 14, 2010 - Summer Services Begin



FOOTPRINTS' ART GALLERY

Spring is almost here! And we are ready to begin another quarter project for Footprints Art Gallery. Our last project was so wonderful, we can not wait to see what this one will bring! There will be an informational meeting for all staff very soon, but in the meantime here is a preview of what we will be working on!

There will be two choices this time. One choice will be using tissue paper and paint to make water lilies (inspired by Monet). This project will combine the skills we used last time and incorporate three dimensional textures. Our second project choice is “Mirror Image Painting”, where our students will use paint and folding to create wonderful mirror image designs.

We are ordering supplies for all and will be delivering instructions and materials soon!



**You are invited to attend
Step By Step Academy's Annual**

Easter Egg Hunt!

**Saturday, April 3, 2010
SBSA's Campus**

12:00 P.M. Hot Dogs, chips, and drinks
available for purchase.

12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M. Photos with the Easter Bunny, and activ-
ites. (balloon animals, face painting, coloring)

Easter Egg Hunt- Begins
promptly at 1:30 P.M.

2:00 P.M. Prizes for
Golden Eggs.

And More!!!

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