

CURRICULUM CORNER



Above Koala teacher, Kelly is playing musical sticks with the toddlers. Below Cub teacher, Tara reads *Brown Bear*, to the infants.



The Ounce Scale is the tool DCDC uses to document and evaluate the growth and development of infants and toddlers. The tool is a way to observe children as they play and take part in daily activities, such as eating breakfast, lunch, dressing, playing, and being with children and adults.

Ounce organizes observations and assessment around six major areas:

- personal connections*-how children show trust,
- feelings about self*-how children express who they are,
- relationships with other children*- how children act around other children,
- understanding and communicating*-how children understand communication,
- exploration and problem solving*-how children explore and figure things out, and
- movement and coordination*-how children move their bodies and use their hands.

Teachers and caregivers use observations to document children's everyday behaviors. These observations are then used to complete a child's developmental profile. The Developmental Profile is completed at the end of each age range to evaluate a child's development and progress. The age ranges are as follows: Babies I (4mo.); Babies II (8 mo.); Babies III (12 mo.); Babies IV (18 mo.); Toddlers I (24 mo.); Toddlers II (30 mo.); Toddlers II (36 mo.); Preschoolers (42 mo.). Once the teacher completes a developmental profile they are then shared with the child's family. At Parent/Teacher conferences staff will review the child's developmental profile and talk to you about your child's progress and areas to work on together.

STAFFING UPDATES



Please welcome Lisa Foster to DCDC. She will be working with our Infant and Toddler teachers in the

mornings. Before joining DCDC, Lisa worked with Nurse Family Partnerships and was a Registered Nurse. She has lived in Danville for 25 years with her husband, two daughters who are in college and a son in high school.

QUALITY SPOTLIGHT

DCDC on Wall St has been a four Star Keystone STARS participant since the state of Pennsylvania began running Keystone STARS in 2002. DCDC on Bloom Rd is a STAR three program. This is another way to prove to our families we are committed to providing high quality care for their children. [Click here to learn more about Keystone STARS program.](#)

HAPPENINGS

- **March 14th & 15h-** Raise the Region
- **March 21st-** Candy Fundraiser Delivery



March 14 & 15, 2018



April 27, 2018

DCDC'S DINNER & A SHOW!

FEATURING DUELING PIANOS INTERNATIONAL

At the Pine Barn Inn

- **March 29th & 30th** Wall St Picture Days
- **Saturday April 7th-** Children's Fair at Columbia Mall from 10:00-2:00.
- **Friday April 27th-** DCDC Dinner and Show will be held at the Pine Barn Inn from 5:30 -11:00 pm. [Click Here for tickets.](#)
- Want to know what else is going on around the region? [Check out the Columbia Montour Visitors Bureau's calendar!](#)

REMINDERS

Message us through Brightwheel or Call the center if:

- your child will be absent for any reason, please let us know by 9:00 a.m. (We need to know how long your child will be absent and whether or not she/he has a communicable disease.)
- your child is coming in late and/or leaving early
- you will be picking up late
- alternate pickup person (must have full name, address and phone number)

Summer SACK Registration forms will be emailed out to all SACK families the first week in April. Extra copies will be at Bloom Rd and Wall St.

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