

February Newsletter



Cincinnati Center for Autism

Treatment Tailored to Each Child's Needs

2015



Center News

Susie's Corner...

February has been an exciting month. We have new staff members, Emily Jenda and Jeff Blake starting this week and a few new students. We are in the process of completing our camp brochures and pricing. The information will be emailed to you by the end February. Please mark your calendar for the upcoming insurance meeting and the next PTO meeting. If you have any questions please contact me. Stay Warm!! - Susie

2nd Annual Holiday Concert



Students performed in their second annual holiday concert on January 26th,

which will become a winter tradition and a great way to ring in the New Year at CCA. All of the students worked hard learning their musical selections that showcased their musical talent. Families had the opportunity to watch their children perform as they played handheld instruments, keyboards, guitars and participated in seated movement and partner dancing to music. Music group goals targeted social skills, teamwork, gross and fine motor coordination, following multi-step directions and cognitive skills. Thanks again to our wonderful PTO for transforming the gym into a festive winter wonderland. Congratulations to all of the students on an enjoyable performance and to Kate Legge, Board Certified Music Therapist for planning and coordinating this awesome concert.

News from the PTO



The PTO meeting was held on February 5, 2015 at CCA. Dan Tauber presented the new

Health Education Program and provided a handout. Information was also sent home to families. The PTO sponsored a booth at the Winter Music Concert featuring some of their fundraising projects. Their items will also be displayed in the parent lounge for purchase. The next PTO meeting is Wednesday, March 18 at 9:15 a.m.

Free Parent Information Session

Hosted by CCA and Clinical Integration Solutions

Join us for an educational talk to learn more about Ohio autism benefits: specific focus on medically funded ABA treatment, SLP, and OT services! We will be discussing quick facts about insurance coverage and how this could positively impact your child and family! At the end of the talk, we will be able to gather information to quickly find out if your child is eligible to receive this significant opportunity for 1:1 ABA treatment through your current insurance policy! This informational session does not lock you into any commitments, nor will you be sacrificing any current services by simply joining us to learn more about what your child can potentially access through insurance!

Parent Meeting
Wednesday, March 18th
6:30pm-8:00pm

Valentine Family Event



Sam playing a valentine game with Andy.

valentine game, and create valentine crafts with their parents. It was exciting to watch parents involved in the activities with their children.

Families and staff had the opportunity to interact socially and enjoy refreshments at the end of the evening.

Approximately 30 staff and families participated in the Valentine Event on Friday, Feb. 13, 6:30-8:30. Students and siblings had the opportunity to ice valentine cookies, dip pretzels, play a



Mom helping Blake ice a cookie.

Teen Night Out - Snow Tubing!

TNO enjoyed an afternoon of snow tubing as their outing on February 7th. TNO is a program open to teenagers and young



adults with a diagnosis on the autism spectrum who have emerging social skills. Qualified individuals will benefit from a knowledgeable staff/team who will encourage active use of these skills and a supportive group of teens and young adults with whom to practice.

To participate individuals must be able to:

- navigate community-based environments independently
- maintain safe behavior without requiring additional support
- demonstrate independent functional communication with familiar and novel adults

Please contact CCA for more information.

Important Dates at CCA

March 7th - Teen Night Out

The Circus

March 18th - PTO Meeting

9:15 a.m.

March 18th - Insurance Meeting

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

March 30th to April 6th - Spring Break

No CCA School programs

March 30th to April 2nd - CCA Spring Break Camp

Monday through Thursday only

April 3rd & 6th - Spring Break

No CCA School programs

Red Room Update

At the beginning of this month, the Center purchased six books of MadLibs. Throughout the month, many of the students have worked individually or as a group to provide nouns, adjectives, verbs and other silly words to create ridiculous stories! The MadLibs books cover a wide array of topics such as animals or things at school. On Valentine's Day, the Red Room created a hilarious Valentine's Day MadLibs as a group! The students have really enjoyed this activity and have also increased their knowledge and fluency with the various parts of speech! Feel free to try this silly educational game at home as well! Tim Clark, Lead Intervention Specialist

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