

Phyllis Bodel Childcare Center at Yale School of Medicine, Inc.  
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**Calendar:**

July 1 -2: Final Days of Toddler kitchen renovation and Dolphin and Manatee Camp

July 2: Center opens at 8:30 for an All Staff meeting

July 5: Center closed for Holiday ( July 4<sup>th</sup>)

July 16: Board Meeting, Noon in Mezzanine

**Board of Directors:**

Each year we encourage our parents to sign up to join the Board of Directors. The meetings are at noon on the third Friday of each month and are held in the Mezzanine. We always keep them under one hour. When parents know what is happening at the Center and participate in the planning and policy making they have an important and powerful role in making Bodel the special place for children that it has always been. Attached to your email is a form indicating your interest in serving on the Board of Directors. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a Board member, they are listed on the bulletin boards on both sides of the Center and I am certain they would be happy to answer any questions.

**Special Thank you's:**

From the Kindergarten:

Thank you to Haniya's Mom, Eleanor's Dad, Madisyn's Mom and Anton's Dad for chaperoning the field trip to Schooner Seashore Program at Light house point.

From the Toddlers

a thank you to Veena's Mom for construction paper and thank you to toddler teacher Kate for the extra sunhats for the toddlers.

From the Dolphins:

A special thank you to all the parents who participated in the celebration of families month. Kantaro's Mom and Dad, Luca's Mom, Andrew's Mom, Ella's Mom, Mia's Mom, Raiden's Dad, Krishna's Mom, Kamini's Mom, and Alexandra's Mom.

From the Otters:

Thank you to Rose's Mom and Dad for the music and pictures, to Austin's Dad for the slideshow and music, to Dylan's Mom for the book and CD, to William's parents for sharing clothes and sticky buns, to Bayan's Mom for the name game and Mango Lassis, to Natania's

Mom for the pictures and stories from India, to Alexie's Mom for sharing about the Eifel Tower, for Maya's Mom for sharing pictures and Russian toys, and for Sebastian's mom for sharing Polish art and games.

From Toddler 2" Thank you to Isaac's grandmother for the talk about Ireland, to Helena's Mom and Dad for coming in to talk about Germany and for the finger puppet.

To Lyla and Payton's Mom and Dad for coming in to talk about America's favorite pastime, baseball.

To Kiyoko's parents for the Japanese CD

To Isabella's parents for the Chinese CD

To Tomas's Mom ( in Beluga's) for the music from Spain

To Mathew's parents for sharing a story.

From the Manatee's:

To Halvor's Dad for the Berry Jam cooking project

To Wendy's Mom for sharing about Norway and to her Dad for sharing a slide show on Portugal

To Lucas's dad for sharing on Portugal and reading Goldilocks to the children.

From the Beluga's: Thank you to Jason's Mom for the egg cartons and Arya's family for the plastic syringes, to Lila's Mom for talking about Sicily, and Molly's Mom for talking about Italy

and cooking with the children, to Eli's Mom for reading in Italian, to Theo's Mom and big

brother for taking about Sweden, to Tomas's parents for the CD and talking about Spain and

Argentina, to Alex's Mom for the story of the Chinese Dragon, to Ava's Mom for talking about

the Chinese Zodiac, to Serena's Mom for talking about Taiwan and the donation of sand toys.

To Sam's Mom for talking about Korea and to Julia's Mom for talking about Korea and making a special snack.

And last but definitely not least, a very special thank you to the Bodel Manatee, Dolphin and Toddler teachers for the extraordinary job they have done during this week of transition. The

children have just loved the novelty and the teachers have had the most incredible plans.

**Transitions:** I know that everyone is anxious but there will be no transitions in July. They will not begin until August to be complete by September. There are still families in their own transitions and until everything settles there will be no changes.

**July Tuitions and Security Deposits:** July 1, the new tuition rates begin. All families will see the regular pull from their FACTS contract in July and August but will be receiving either a bill for the July, August, and the security deposit increase or a check that reduces the amount owed depending on their individual situations. The new contracts for September will be distributed the end of July. If you have any questions when you receive your statement, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

**Final Notes:** Transitions, this summer has been one filled with staff transitions. We say goodbye to Susie Gravel ( Kindergarten) and to Jessica DeStefano( Manatees). We will be welcoming on July 6<sup>th</sup> Michelle Benivenga to the office. She will be part time through the summer and then full time starting in September. Michelle has an early childhood degree and has worked not only in the field but as a business manager for two highly successful restaurants. She worked for us five years ago before the birth of her child .

