

# CHILDREN'S VILLAGE 2016/2017

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January 2017

All workshops include dinner or lunch and child care. Workshops are conducted in English and Chinese.

# PARENT EDUCATION SERIES

<h2>Parent Orientation</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Who are the Children's Village administrative staff members?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Who are your child's teachers? What educational backgrounds and professional experiences do they bring to their roles as teachers?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What is the daily schedule? What is the educational curriculum? How does the classroom environment promote children's learning?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> How does the Children's Village program respond to the cultural diversity of the families we serve? How can families get involved in the program?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What support services are available for children and families?</li> </ul>	Thur 09/15/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	401 AS, 404	classroom teacher(s) Mary Graham, Executive Director Zaina Keenan, Early Childhood Director Marie Marks, Early Childhood Coordinator Ben Cady, Early Childhood Coordinator Eileen Flannery, School-Age Director Beth Baker, Family Services Director Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Sophia Niu, Parent/Teacher Coordinator Sim Loh, Family Partnership Coordinator Ruby Wu, Family Partnership Coordinator Rosliana Zigmund, Family Partnership Coordinator
		Tues 09/20/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	202 AS, 402 AS, 502 AS	
		Wed 09/21/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	403, 503 AS	
		Tues 09/27/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	201, 302	
		Wed 09/28/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	301, 303	
		Wed 10/05/16	6:00 - 7:30 PM	101, 103, 304	
		Thur 10/06/16	1:30 - 3:00 PM	102, 104, 203	
		Fri 10/07/16	1:30 - 3:00 PM	501 PS, 503 PS	
		Tues 10/11/16	1:30 - 3:00 PM	202 PS, 401 PS	
		Thur 10/13/16	1:30 - 3:00 PM	402 PS, 502 PS	
<h2>Planning Ahead for Kindergarten and Choosing an Elementary School</h2>	What are the elementary school options in Philadelphia? How do parents place applications at charter schools or request a transfer to a public elementary school that is not the family's neighborhood school? What are the deadlines for these applications and transfer requests? How do families finance private school?	Thursday, 10/27/16	1:30 - 3:00 PM	Parents of children who will enter kindergarten next fall will be very interested in these workshops.	Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator
		Thursday, 10/27/16	5:45 - 7:15 PM		
<h2>Digital Citizenship</h2>	What are the responsibilities of students and families in this digital age? What can students and family members do to make full use of the internet as an educational and social tool, while respecting others and protecting themselves appropriately?	Tuesday, 11/22/16	5:45 - 7:15 PM	Parents of children in #403 and #404 (4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> graders)	Eileen Flannery, School-Age Director Ben Cady, Early Childhood Coordinator
<h2>Big Body Play!</h2>	Children need to move, push, jump, press, run, wrestle, throw, leap! When children get exercise, they think more clearly, they feel better, and they sleep better at night. (By the way, this is true for people of all ages!) So what can we do to help children improve physical coordination, strengthen muscles, and encourage moderate physical risk-taking, while fostering positive risk assessment?	Thursday, 12/01/16	1:30 - 3:00	Parents with children of all age groups	Ross Thompson, Early Education Specialist and Preschool Lead Teacher, University of Minnesota
		Thursday, 12/01/16	5:45 - 7:15 PM		

<b>The Second Step Curriculum and Home Links</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we help children appropriately express emotions like anger, disappointment, hurt and excitement at school?</li> <li>• How do we help children develop the social skills they need to get along with others, form friendships, and function well in the classroom group?</li> <li>• How can parents and other adult family members help children show their feelings satisfactorily at home?</li> <li>• How can family members help children with their developing social skills at home?</li> </ul>	Thursday, 01/19/17 1:30 - 3:00 PM	Parents of Preschoolers	Zaina Keenan, Early Childhood Director Ben Cady, Early Childhood Coordinator
		Thursday, 01/19/17 5:45 - 7:15 PM		
<b>'The End', Now What?</b>	<p>You read books and stories with your children. How do you carry story-telling into other activities to deepen children's understanding of the story and its theme, and keep them thinking and imagining?</p>	Wednesday, 02/08/17 1:30 - 3:00 PM	Parents of Preschoolers	Debra Geller, Mentor Teacher Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator
<b>School-Age Mid-Year Meeting FUN &amp; GAMES NIGHT!</b>	<p>Come and play games with your children! Games can be educational and fun. Supporting cooperative social interaction and teaching memory and problem-solving skills are just a few of the benefits of enjoying games with your children.</p>	Thursday, 02/09/17 5:45 - 7:15 PM	Families of older school-age students	Eileen Flannery, School-Age Coordinator Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator School-Age Teachers
		Wednesday, 02/15/17 5:45 - 7:15 PM	Families of younger school-age students	
<b>Preschool FUN &amp; GAMES NIGHT!</b>	<p>Come and play games with your children! Games can be educational and fun. Supporting cooperative social interaction and teaching memory and problem-solving skills are just a few of the benefits of enjoying games with your children.</p>	Thursday, 02/23/17 5:15 - 7:15 PM	Parents of preschool-age students in full-day classes	Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Preschool Teachers
<b>Family Arts Academy</b>	<p>When children and parents work together to solve problems and be creative, children do better in school. PAFA artists lead art-making activities for all family members to share in the creative experience.</p>	Wednesday, 03/01/17 1:30 - 3:00 PM	Parents with children of all age groups	Artists from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
<b>Make-It, Take-It</b> (OR - What can you do with your kids instead of watching TV or playing computer games?)	<p>Parents want to curb screen time (both computer screens and TV screens! Maybe for the children as well as themselves!). Let's look at some creative projects to bring families together. Teachers will guide parents and children through some activities and games that we will make ourselves. The best part about it - you can take them with you and continue the fun at home!</p>	Thursday, 03/16/17 1:30 - 3:00 PM	Parents with children of all age groups	Debra Geller, Mentor Teacher Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator
<b>Ask the Experts: Toddler Talk</b>	<p>How best to approach 1-, 2- and 3-year olds in everyday routines; eating, sleeping, toileting? Constantly on-the-go, eager to express themselves, toddlers take on new challenges daily. From pride and exhilaration to frustration and disappointment - children and parents alike ride a roller coaster of emotions through the toddler years. Let's talk about what works to help toddlers explore their newfound independence within the safe, secure limits set by parents and teachers.</p>	Thursday, 03/23/17 5:45 - 7:15 PM	All parents are invited, but parents of toddlers and young 3-year-olds may be particularly interested	Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Marie Marks, Early Childhood Coordinator Toddler Teachers

<h2>High Energy or ADHD?</h2>	<p>How do medical and education professionals distinguish between activity that simply represents a high energy level and behavior that may signal ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder)? What can parents look for to help them know when they should seek help or professional evaluation? What strategies help children channel high energy, control their impulses, and make conscious decisions about their behavior in school, during free play, in structured group settings, and when out-of-doors?</p>	<p>Thursday, 04/06/17 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>	<p>Parents with children of all age groups</p>	<p>Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Dr. Haoli Jin, Pediatrician, Chinatown</p>
<h2>Dinner and Diversity</h2>	<p>Children's Village seeks to raise awareness among staff, families and children of the myriad of ways our community is diverse. Together we aim to create a community that includes everyone meaningfully, and resists bias and discrimination of all kinds. How do we keep the conversation ongoing? This workshop invites family members to gather around dinner - bring a dish to share, and an object from your kitchen that is meaningful to your family - and we will dialogue with one another about the uniqueness of each individual, what unifies each family, and how we can better understand one another as a community.</p>	<p>Thursday, 04/27/17 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>	<p>Parents with children of all age groups</p>	<p>Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Beth Baker, Family Services Director</p>
		<p>Thursday, 04/27/17 5:15 – 7:15 PM</p>		
<h2>Let's Eat!</h2>	<p>What are some easy, fun ways to encourage children to eat nutritious foods? Are there dishes your child eats at Children's Village that you'd like to learn how to prepare? Do you have ideas and suggestions for ways we can make our menus more culturally representative of the families at Children's Village?</p>	<p>Thursday, 05/11/17 5:15 – 7:15 PM</p>	<p>Parents with children of all age groups</p>	<p>Matt Ferry, Head Chef &amp; Kitchen Administrator</p>
<h2>Preschool FUN &amp; GAMES HOUR!</h2>	<p>Come and play games with your children! Games can be educational and fun. Supporting cooperative social interaction and teaching memory and problem-solving skills are just a few of the benefits of enjoying games with your children.</p>	<p>Wednesday, 05/24/17 202 PS, 501 PS 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>	<p>Parents of preschool-age students in 3:30 classes</p>	<p>Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Preschool Teachers</p>
		<p>Thursday, 05/25/17 401 PS, 502 PS 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>		
		<p>Friday, 05/26/17 402 PS, 503 PS 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>		
<h2>SEX: What Do Children Wonder? What Do They Need to Know?</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> How can parents respond to children's questions about gender and sexuality?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What do children need to know that they might not ask?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> When and how can families convey values to children about sexuality and intimate adult relationships?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What are ways parents and teachers can help children feel good about their bodies and protect themselves from abuse?</li> </ul>	<p>Thursday, 06/08/17 1:30 – 3:00 PM</p>	<p>All parents are invited, but parents of preschoolers and school-agers will be particularly interested in this discussion.</p>	<p>Dr. Barbara Wolf, Psychologist, Special Needs / Language Coordinator Beth Baker, Family Services Director</p>
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