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As our Bayside center approaches its one-year anniversary, we reflect on a year filled with great accomplishments. From donating goods to local families in need to hosting a TLE® Kids for a Cure charity walk to support the American Cancer Society, the Bayside team has truly embraced their local community and stands true to the teachings of TLE’s philanthropy curriculum. They’ve been recognized by the Borough of Queens as one of the best businesses in 2015 and are a proud provider of the NYC Free Pre-K for All program, an honor that most early education centers do not receive in such a short amount of time. We congratulate Bayside for being awarded Center of the Season and bringing the love of learning to Queens, NY!

Ms. Elena Guiterrez has been a teacher in the Preschool 2 classroom at TLE Wayne, NJ since 2006. Since day one, her passion and love for teaching radiates through in all that she does for her students. Elena has a knack for transforming basic school supplies into creative works of art that children admire and learn from, including dinosaurs, world monuments, and more! Her creativity in the classroom is what makes her unique and enables her to prepare children for the future. Congratulations to Ms. Elena for being our Teacher of the Season!

We’re proud of our little learners in the Preschool 2 classroom at TLE McKinney, TX. Their teacher, Ms. Suganya, has created a welcoming learning environment where children are encouraged to be creative and express themselves individually. Their enthusiasm for the “Time Periods” curriculum theme is just one example of how passionate these little learners are about learning. From homemade ancient relics to vibrant Egyptian headpieces, these preschoolers know what it means to have fun in the classroom. We applaud the McKinney Preschool 3 classroom for being our Classroom of the Season!

If you wish to nominate a center, teacher or classroom to be recognized in a future edition of the Bubbles’ Bugle, please send an email to BubblesBugle@TLECorp.com, and indicate which award you would like to be considered for and why.
The Office of Educational Technology published its 2016 National Education Technology Plan, which serves as the flagship educational technology policy document for the United States. At the forefront of the plan was the concession that technology is not only a highly useful tool to advance the aptitudes of early learners but is now a requirement. The recommendations are in stark contrast to previous directives and a clear sign that “the times, they are a-changin’.”

Student Benefits

At The Learning Experience®, we are happy to report that we have been ahead of this curve by incorporating various intuitive technologies to meet the plan’s goal of preparing learners to be active, creative, knowledgeable, and ethical participants in our globally-connected society. We have utilized computers and interactive whiteboards to further enhance and advance our curriculum and phonics programs, enabling children to interact and be immersed within:

- Technology-focused curriculum
- Independent exploration
- L.E.A.P. Interactive® – Formal whole group instruction and small group extensions
- TLE® proprietary music – Available for instruction and independent interactions
- Google™ Earth – Provides global learning exploration
- Manners Matter and Philanthropy connections with L.E.A.P. Interactive
- BubblesU.com – An online extension of our curriculum
Advancing Educators

However, it is not simply our students who are benefiting from teaching with technology. To ensure the children’s learning successes, The Learning Experience equips our team of educators with the tools to explore technology and learning methods for implementing best practice approaches in the classroom, including:

- Brainshark Training – Accessible 24/7 (curriculum topics, technology training, etc.)
- Monthly Interactive Training Calls – Providing open format for brainstorming
- Online surveys – Distributed and reviewed to evaluate curriculum effectiveness
- L.E.A.P. Interactive – Engages children with hands-on learning through daily instruction

On-the-Go with BubblesU.com

The interactions taking place within The Learning Experience’s four walls are having a profound effect outside the centers as evidenced by children’s excitement to remain connected and explore more outside of school hours through BubblesU.com. As you may know, we recently launched this new edutainment portal to further engage and entertain children in the overarching goal to advance cognitive, social, motor, and emotional skills around the topics of science, technology, engineering, enrichment, art, and math (STEEAM). Forthcoming additions to the site, including educational apps and eBooks, will complement the existing videos, phonics, and more available to The Learning Experience students to ensure they remain at the forefront of educational advancements.

At all levels, our education system leverages the power of technology to measure what matters and uses assessment data to improve learning. Additionally, we provide our educators with the opportunity to evaluate children on an ongoing basis through the use of technological tools and learning objectives woven into our proprietary curriculum.
Farm Symphony

Dust off those cowboy boots, and take a trip down to the farm with our Farm Symphony app!

Help Bubbles create some ‘farm-tastic’ melodies while practicing animal sounds and sequencing skills.

How to download the app:
1. Login to the Apple or Google app store.
2. Type "Bubbles U: Farm Symphony" into the search field.
3. Download the app.
4. Enjoy!

Check back regularly for new apps, exciting activities and more!

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At TLE®, we strive daily to bring learning to life for your child! Science is one of the wonderful subjects that opens many doors for children’s exploration, wonderment and growth! Below are some connections revealing the importance of science in a young child’s life and tips for extending your child’s science explorations at home.

**Why is science important for young children?**

- Children are encouraged to develop problem-solving skills.
- Science exploration helps children develop analytical-thinking skills.
- Perseverance and patience can be developed.
- Children are provided the opportunity to explore the world around them.
- Study and experimentation promote communication skills.
- Children are included in teamwork-building activities.
- Children are introduced to scientific reasoning (gathering evidence, experimenting, etc.).
- Science is a growing field in the global market, and involving young children in scientific exploration can help provide a strong foundation for their future.
How can you extend your child’s scientific exploration at home?

- Use your “own backyard” and neighborhood for scientific explorations.
- Ask your child open ended questions about things he or she may observe in nature, and encourage his or her own science-based questions.
- Note your child’s special interests, and encourage his or her scientific thinking in these areas too.
- Encourage your child to observe and describe the weather when he or she is riding in the car.
- Create a nature journal, and include photographs of various items your child observes.
- Allow your child to explore common items in your home such as water and ice.
- Save recycled items for your child (paper towel tubes, etc.) to use for experimenting.
- Use scientific tools (rulers, magnifying glasses, etc.) as a part of everyday play and explorations.
- Provide household responsibilities that have scientific connections, including watering plants.
- Cook with your child, and encourage him or her to observe what happens when mixing, etc.
- Encourage your child to care for a family pet and also observe animals in nature.
- Read stories together with scientific topics (weather, planting, animals, our bodies, etc.).

Overall, have fun with your child while extending scientific learning at home and helping him or her become a scientific explorer!
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Green Dinosaur Pops

**Ingredients:**
- 1 cup raw spinach
- 2 bananas
- 1 cup pineapple
- 1¼ cup water
- ½ cup plain whole milk yogurt
- 2 tbsp. raw honey

**Directions:**
1. Place the ingredients in a high-speed blender.
2. Blend ingredients.
3. Pour the liquid into Popsicle® molds, and freeze for at least four hours (this time will vary depending on your freezer).
4. To remove the pops, run the molds under cold water for 10 seconds, pulling them away from the molds.

Sparkling Pineapple Lemonade

**Ingredients:**
- 1 quart of lemonade mix
- 1 quart of pineapple juice
- ½ quart sparkling white grape juice

**Directions:**
1. Place ingredients in a large container.
2. Stir together, and enjoy!
Fruit Pizzas

Ingredients:
- 1 (16.5 oz.) pkg refrigerated sugar cookie dough
- 1 (8 oz.) pkg cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 4 cups assorted fresh fruit (such as kiwi and strawberry slices, grapes, blueberries, diced pineapple, and canned mandarin oranges)
- 1/4 cup apricot preserves, pressed through a sieve to remove lumps
- 1 tbsp. water

Directions:
1. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Butter a rimmed 12-inch pizza pan, line with a round of parchment paper, and butter parchment paper (or alternately line with foil and spray foil with non-stick cooking spray). Crumble cookie dough over prepared pizza pan, and spread into an even layer to completely cover bottom of pan. Bake 13-14 minutes. Remove from oven, and cool completely on a wire rack.
2. In a mixing bowl using an electric hand mixer (or in the bowl of a stand mixer), whip cream cheese with sugar and vanilla until light and fluffy. Spread evenly over cooled crust. Top with fruit.
3. In a small bowl, whisk together preserves and water. Brush mixture over fruit. Refrigerate 2 hours, and then cut into slices.
Spring Maze
Time Periods

Denville, NJ

Lago Forest, TX

Manahawkin, NJ

Monroe, NY

South Easton, MA

Woodbridge, NJ
Trace & Color Me!

Miss Chievous®
Forces of Nature

Lafayette, CO

Littleton, MA

Mansfield, NJ

Massapequa, NY

Riverdale, NY

Troy, MI
Crayon Toppers

1. Cut out the crayon topper along the dotted lines.
2. Cut the center marks. Lightly fold the flower in half, and then snip on the dotted lines.
3. Place topper on crayon, and color away!

Kids! Remember to ask your parents for a helping hand.
Passport to Fun and Launch into Learning Night Events

Aurora, IL
Boynton Beach, FL
Cary, NC
East Brunswick, NJ
Manahawkin, NJ
Montgomery, NJ
Bubbles needs your help! Can you help him find his friends?

Can you

Flexi

Lionstein

Tito Toro
spirit week

explore. learn. play. grow.

Heathrow, FL

Heathrow, FL

Jacksonville-Southside, FL

Lake Nona, FL

Manahawkin, NJ

Warminster, PA
Lionstein® Mask

Step 1: Cut out the Lionstein mask and eye holes along the dotted lines.
Step 2: Punch holes on either side of the eyeglass frames.
Step 3: Thread string through the holes, and tie around your head to fit.
Step 4: Wear your Lionstein Mask when teaching your friends and family about science!
Color in Flexi Flamingo® by matching the colors to the numbers.
Parents, please flip to the back for the grown-ups’ section.
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