

NASHOBA LEARNING GROUP

PROVIDING HELP FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM, AND HOPE FOR THEIR FAMILIES.

NEWSLETTER



Letter from the President:

Happy Summer! The beginning of our new year in July is a good time to reflect on the year just ended and plan for the future! We have just completed our Annual Constituent survey and are analyzing the results to inform our upcoming plans. We are pleased with our overall rating of 4.5 on a 5 point scale for the School, and 4.7 for the Adult Program.

The year end closes our Annual Fund. We are thrilled at the growth of the fund as NLG families commit to ongoing support of our programs. Our grand total of \$225,000 is more than double last year's fund, with the greatest growth in support from Adult Program parents! Thank you to all who have helped us build this critical source of annual funding.

At the end of the year we work with each staff member to evaluate performance and develop goals for the year ahead. I am excited to see these individual plans unfold as we work to continuously develop our staff and enhance our service to each individual. All of these efforts are directed at enabling each and every student and adult with Autism that we serve to achieve their potential, and enhancing the state of the art in services for those with Autism.

We appreciate everyone's continued help in supporting us and reaching out to friends, foundations and corporations on our behalf! Look for our Annual Report next month. This report will honor all our donors for the just completed year, and replace the quarterly newsletter listing.

Upcoming Events

Bikeathon- July 21, 2019

Fishin' With A Mission - July 28, 2019

Curriculum Night for New Parents—September 12th 7pm

Give them Wings Auction - October 26, 2019

For more information on events and ways to help, contact Emily Wheel
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I also look forward to seeing some of you at the upcoming Bike a Thon on July 21st!

On behalf of those we serve, thank you for all you do! We can't do it without you!

Liz Martineau
President



Celebrate Student and Adult Achievements!

T got a paid job at Trader Joe's!

D. is asking "how are you?" independently as a greeting!



A. has been walking on the treadmill for 15 minutes at a time!

W.'s handwriting has improved so much! So neat and with appropriate spacing!

L. has begun portioning his own meals out to eat!



C. has started utilizing the Outdoor Space!

Welcome to
amazon smile

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Spring Carnival

NLG students, adults, families, and friends had a blast at our 4th Annual Carnival on May 18th. Guests participated in fun games and made festive crafts. Guests enjoyed the JSmiles Photobooth, funny magician, the amazing raffle baskets, and much more. We thank the sponsors who made this event possible!

**East Boston Savings Bank - Wegmans - SuperSmiles Dental - Fletcher Tilton PC Attorneys at Law
The O'Reilly and Capraro Family**



Annual Fund Update

Thank you to all the families and friends who have contributed to NLG's Annual Fund. We reached our goal of 90% participation by school parents by our year end, June 30th! We are so happy to say that this year was our best year yet for the Annual Fund.

110 school families donated, raising a total of \$50,000 for the school. The Adult Program had 100% of families participate! These families contributed over \$125,000. We also raised \$50,000 from friends of NLG for a total fund of \$225,000! We are so grateful for this essential operating support! Thanks to all who donated and to our committee chaired by Una Basak, Stacey Lannan and Marta Wolfe at the School Program and Cynthia Reed at the Adult Program. Thank you so much for helping us achieve our goal and awarding staff a summer treat! Your donations are critical to ensuring that we provide high quality services to our children.



Can You Ride a Bike?

If you can we would love for you to join us on July 21st for our 18th Annual Bike-A-Thon! There are two ride options: 25 or 50 miles. Both rides begin registration at 7:30 am and roll out at 8:30. The group has a few serious riders but is mostly composed of parents and friends who ride at a more leisurely pace enjoying beautiful scenery and great conversation. Ride begins in Carlisle and goes through the surrounding towns. Van support, water stops and post ride refreshments are provided. For registration details or to sponsor a rider contact Emily Wheet
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Summer Spirit Week

NLG students and staff enjoyed Spirit Week. It was so much fun to see everyone embracing each day's theme!



Spring Fling

Students 14 and older, and adult members, had a wonderful time at their Spring Fling! Held at the Courtyard in Billerica. The buffet, cake and music were enjoyed by all!



PAC Corner



Welcome back for a new school year at NLG! We hope you all had a wonderful break. For those families that are new, we are the Parental Advisory Council (PAC) at NLG. We hold 3 PAC meetings during the school year during offering various educational opportunities for parents and guardians by inviting guest speakers to talk. We also plan and manage staff appreciation events. If you have any suggestions for topics or guest speakers or would like to become more involved with the PAC and its various activities please feel free to reach out to any of the PAC Co-Chairs. We would love to hear from you! Keep your eyes peeled as we will be issuing a new calendar of events for the school year in August.

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NASHOBA LEARNING GROUP 17TH ANNUAL

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DINNER AND AUCTION

This year's theme,
Oktoberfest

OCTOBER 26TH 2019
HILTON WOBURN

Add to calendar

Join us for a lively auction, beer tasting,
inspiring speeches, a wine pull and more!


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