

# Parent Resource Newsletter

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## Thinking about Summer Camp for your Child with Special Needs?

### Check Out the List of Great Options in Washington State



For a directory of either day or overnight camps in Washington state, please visit the [Children with Special Needs website](#). Here you'll also find links to the American Camp Association, an article entitled "Sending Your Child to Camp," and a link to "Planning for Time Away from Home."



## It's More Than Books! Free Classes & Programs offered through the King County Library System

The King County Library System offers several FREE classes and programs for children and adults. Free activities include: story times, early literacy parties in Spanish, computer classes, study zone for teens, and even free museum passes. Please visit the [King County Library System Programs webpage](#) to view and register for program offerings.



### ▶ LINK OF THE WEEK

[View Link of the Week & Link Archives](#)

### ▶ DONOR CORNER

## Donation Item Requests

We welcome donations and especially have a need for new Play-Doh, new construction paper, new glue sticks and new sealed bubbles. You can donate those items by bringing them directly to Children's Therapy or buy them through our [Starlight Foundation page](#).

Unfortunately, we cannot accept plush toys or wooden toys (unless the wooden toys are certified to be lead-free).

### Thank you so much to the following donors:



- Angela for donating through our Starlight site link
- Jamie for donating through our Starlight site link
- Paula for donating through our Starlight site link
- The Fettig family for the new Cranium game, pipe cleaners, massager & light up wand
- Gabalis family for the SPIO garments
- Nichie for the game donation
- Chilson family for the bowling set
- Engstrom family for the toy donation

### ▶ CHILDREN'S THERAPY WEBSITE

### ▶ PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS

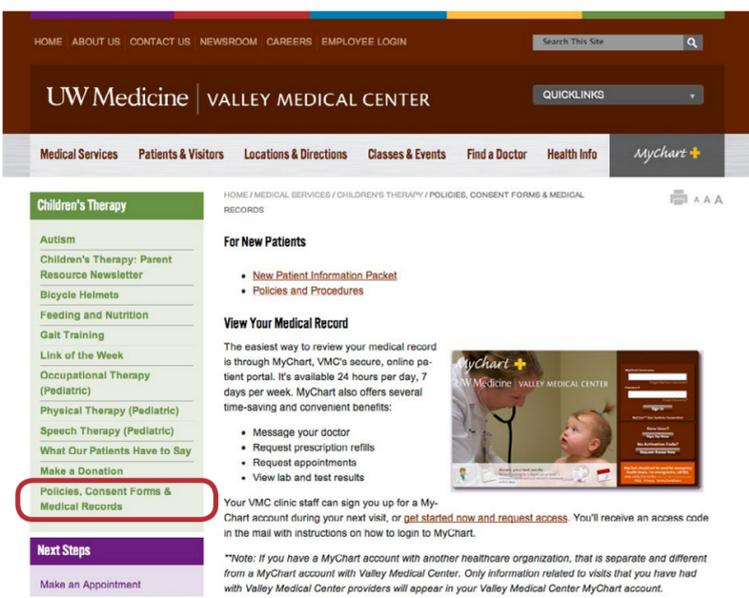
Back Issues of the *Parent Resource Newsletter* Available Online

[Click here](#) to view back issues of the Children's Therapy *Parent Resource Newsletter*.

## Using the Children's Therapy Website: Your Info Portal

Families, check out the [Children's Therapy website](#). It's regularly updated with new information that may be of interest, including a Link of the Week. In addition, we have recently added a link to access policies and procedures, forms and sign up for MYCHART to view your child's medical records.

Through this [Policies, Consent Forms & Medical Records link](#), you can view new patient information, as well as download a release of information form and a MyChart Proxy Consent Form so that you may view your child's (up to age 13) VMC medical records online.



## WiFi Access Available for Those Bringing their Own Devices to Children's Therapy Computer in Children's Therapy Parent Resource Room Being Retired

The desktop computer in the Parent Resource room has been a trusted tool for many years. Because the computer is simply past its prime, users have been experiencing problems accessing WiFi, among other issues. Therefore we'll be saying farewell to the computer, hello personal smart devices. For online access while you are at Children's Therapy, WiFi is available throughout for all who bring their own devices. Thank you for your understanding!



## Does Your Child See More than One Caregiver?

### If So, Consider Using Care Notebook to Help Organize and Share Info Among Caregivers and School Staff



A Care Notebook is a tool to help you organize important information about your child. Bring the notebook to appointments and meetings so you can easily share information with doctors, therapists, and school or child care staff. The Care Notebook is a resource available for parents of children with

complicated needs or for children who see caregivers in multiple disciplines. Use it as a means of organizing home recs/reports/test results, etc. all in one location. The Care Notebook is free to parents! [Access the Care Notebook here](#).

### If This is Your First Parent Resource Newsletter

Welcome to all of our new families! The *Parent Resource* is our bi-monthly e-newsletter, keeping you current with what's going on that may be of interest to your family. Printed copies are also available at Children's Therapy. We'll keep you up-to-date about resources and events in the area, while providing information about Children's Therapy policies and changes. We welcome your comments—please tell your therapist if you have any suggestions or input. Information about non-VMC sponsored events is for your consideration only: we cannot guarantee the accuracy/content of the listed events and services.