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This Week at TLC

March 16th, 2015



Child Development/Behavior **Focus: Development of** **Dramatic Play**

It is always a lovely and positive way to end the TLC semester by focusing on the development of Dramatic Play in young children. As we can observe in this adorable picture of a loved TLC pirate, most young children naturally enjoy and partake in make-believe play. As cute as it may be to observe little ones pretend, this play is not as simple as it appears. Like the majority of developmental topics at The Loved Child, the process of pretend play

promotes many areas of development. Click [HERE](#) to take a quick look at this short article from Scholastic Magazine to learn more about our weekly developmental focus.

Please note
following semester
end dates for Winter
TLC classes:

Monday classes: 3/30

Tuesday classes: 3/31

Wednesday classes: 3/25

Thursday classes: 3/19

Friday classes: 3/20

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TLC Classes:

TLC Open Play &
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Mondays from 11:00-
12:00 Families must
REGISTER in advance.
Max 10 families.

Let's Move with TLC! A
NEW Movement Class
this Spring! Mondays
11:00- 12:00. More
information and to
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Please REGISTER



Weekly Parenting Topic:

Challenging Behavior in Young Children: Does
Spanking Work?

Perhaps you recently read in the [news](#) about France and its decision to NOT ban and outlaw corporal punishment? Certainly, not a surprise for the TLC community, we strongly recommend **not** hurting children or any living things. Interestingly, 81 percent of American parents believe spanking is sometimes necessary even though well-designed study after study has shown spanking children has only long-term negative effects on children (e.g. increase in aggression, drug & alcohol use, academic poor achievement- to name just a few). This week at TLC, as we observe our children enjoy materials to promote dramatic play, parents will have the opportunity to share questions and concerns around punishment. Click [HERE](#) to review a short article from the Economist on corporal punishment.

Take Home Ideas:

Dramatic Play Ideas for the Home

Hopefully, we are all in the agreement that supporting Dramatic Play in young children is important. There is no need to rush out and

purchase kitchen sets, fire engines, and doctors' kits. Rather, your households are already filled with materials your little ones can incorporate into their creative play. Need some ideas? Click [HERE](#) for a list of Dramatic Play Ideas.



for the following TLC Parenting Workshops:

March 19th [**Beyond "Say Cheese": Tips for Taking Better Photographs of Your Kids**](#) (\$15)

April 1st [**Toilet Training with Tender Loving Care TLC**](#) (FREE)

April 8th [**Estate Planning for Parents with Young Children**](#) (FREE)

Community Resources:

[**Kick Start Your Life: Self-Care Boot**](#)

[**Camp Saturday, March 25th 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM Arlington**](#)

**All TLC Spring
Classes begin the
week of April 6th**



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