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Jack Joel Center for Special Children

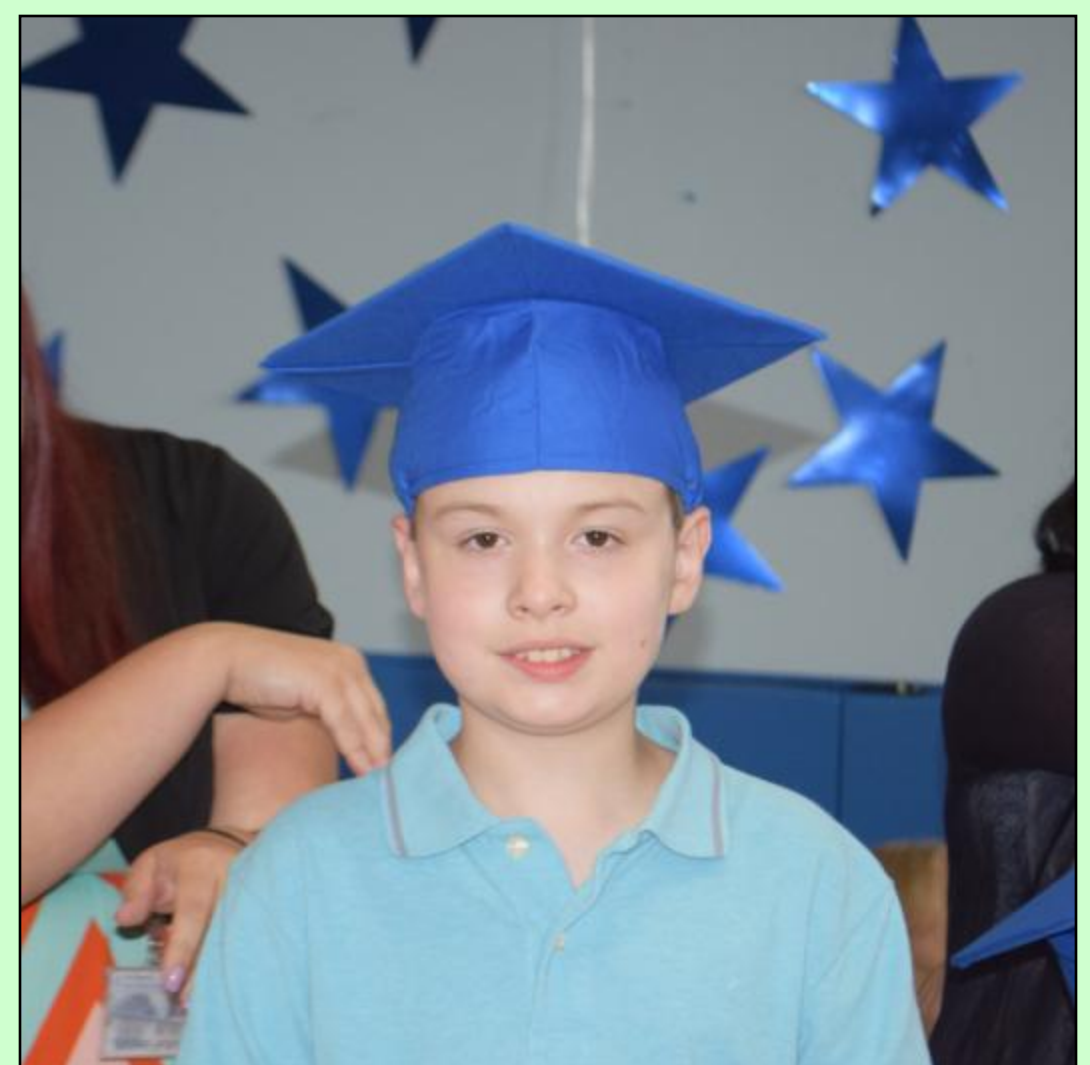
July 2018 Newsletter



Congratulations Graduates!



Morning Graduation Ceremony



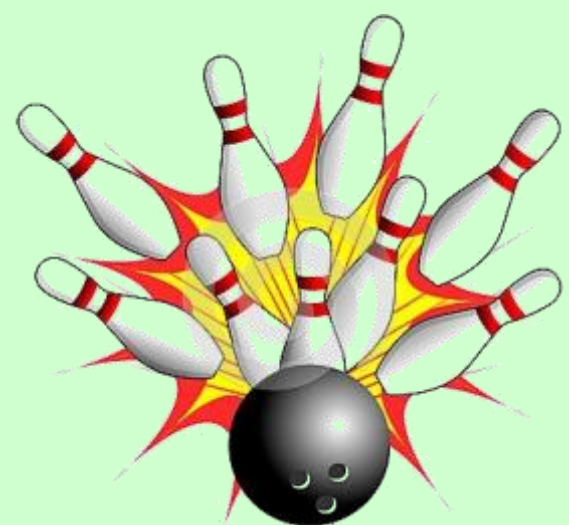
Afternoon Graduation Ceremony



First Day of Summer School!



Family Fun Bowling!



Saturday, August 18th - 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$10 per bowler (includes 2 hours of bowling and shoe rental)

Family sponsorships are available for \$75 (includes six bowlers, your family's name on the scoring screen and a sign placed at your lane).



Bumpers on every lane. Dinosaur ramps for small children and metal ramps for use over wheelchairs.

Corporate sponsorships are available!

Space is limited. For additional information, and to reserve your lane, please contact **Janet Mouliere at 516-520-6067 or before Friday, August 3, 2018.**



Farmingdale Lanes
999 Conklin Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735
516-249-4300



Enjoy the Summer!
But Save the Date
for our 5K this Fall!

2018 Sleepy Hollow 5K Charity Run/Walk

Sunday, October 28, 2018 9:30 am
Brady Park - Lake Shore Drive Massapequa Park, NY



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For information, contact Jennifer Kirincic at 520-6043 or by email at Jennifer.kirincic@littlevillage.org



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September 2018-19 Preschool Inclusion Classes for 3 and 4 Year Olds

We have limited openings for children without an IEP for full day Inclusion Classes comprised of 8 children with IEPs and 10 children without, for September 2018. Each class is taught by a Special Ed Teacher, a Gen Ed Teacher and 2 Teacher Assistants. We offer a state-of-the-art facility, full gymnasium, two full time nurses, Smart Boards in every class and an expansive playground!

Tuition Rate \$675 per month

Monday through Friday 9:00am to 2:30pm; before (8-9am) and after care (2:30-4pm) available for an additional fee.

Please call Wendy Sciubba at 516-520-6072 (or email her at wendy.sciubba@littlevillage.org) for information or to register your child(ren).



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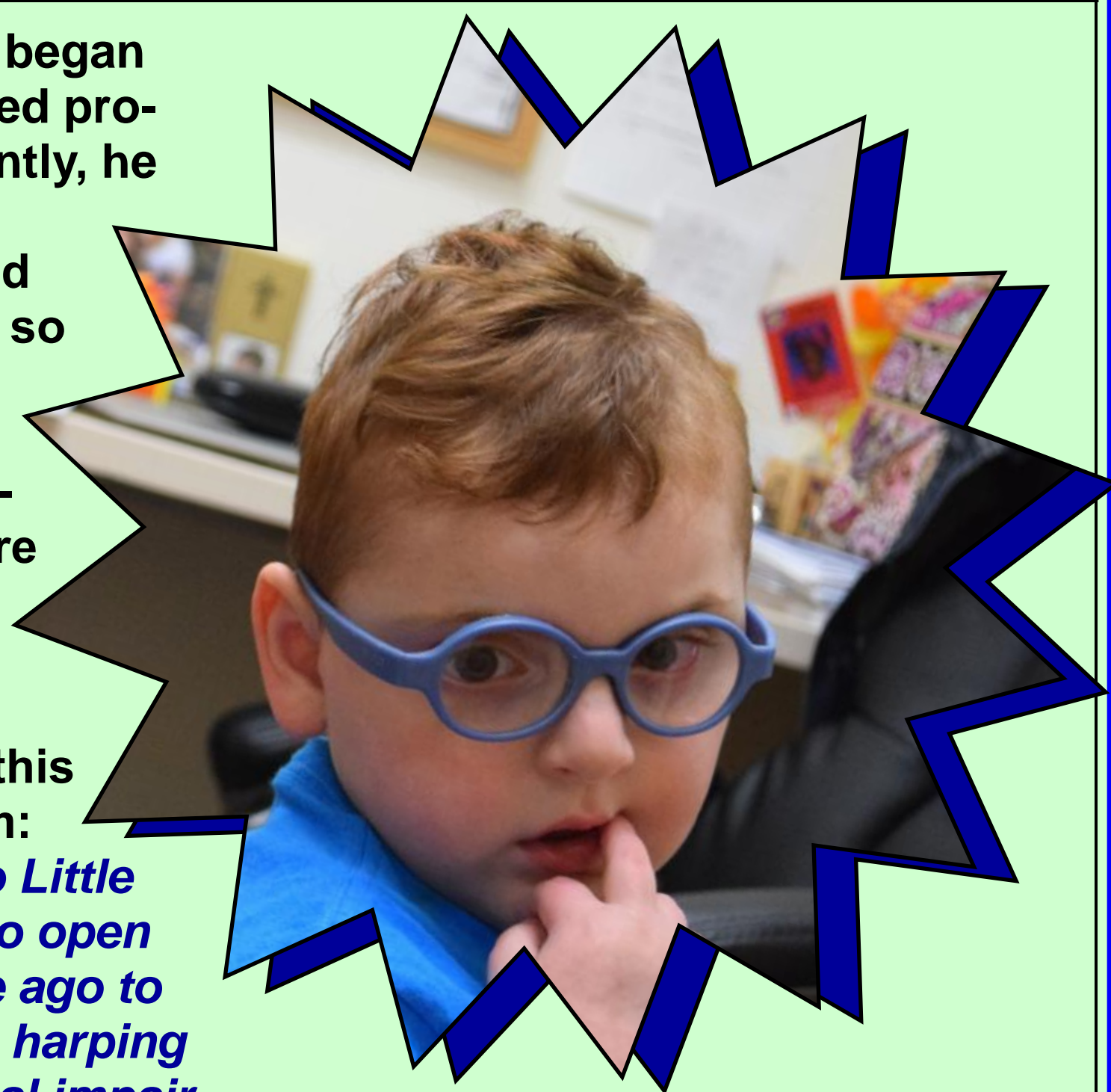
Little Village's Creative Arts and Recreation Program (CARP)

CARP is a summer recreation program that includes activities such as fun on the playground, arts and crafts, structured group games, movement and music time and other special events. This summer we have two CARP classes led by **Pam Trugman** and **Maxianne Russo**. The children had a great first week playing fun summer activities and making new friends!!



Student Spotlight — Brayden Biscuiti

Brayden is an adorable 3 year old boy who began attending the Early Intervention center-based program at HLVS in September of 2016. Currently, he has “graduated” to Room 63, a pre-school class with **Ann Puleio**. Ann described Brayden as a “sweet and gentle soul” who makes everyone fall in love with him. She is so impressed with all the things Brayden is doing including playing with toys and switches, clapping and vocalizing. He is so much more aware of others and really shows his likes and dislikes now. Especially of note is that Brayden is a “pioneer” here at school, being one of the first children to use our Eye Gaze equipment for communication (see picture below).



Brayden’s parents were very happy that he was chosen to be this month’s “spotlight” child. They had so much to say about him:

“Brayden has a smile that lights up the room. Since coming to Little Village, he has been welcomed with open arms and he tends to open up the hearts of anyone who sees him. We learned a long time ago to focus on all the wonderful things Brayden CAN do rather than harping on the things he can't. Yes, he has microcephaly, cortical visual impairment, cerebral palsy, and global developmental delays (to name a few), and while Brayden does not walk or talk YET, he has made so much progress over the past two years.”

Here are some of the things Brayden CAN do:

- He can drum! Brayden loves music and he loves drumming on his toys. He will also sway with the music when he's in the mood.
- He loves his texture books and pulling levers. He also loves different textures on his feet. Brayden has been feeling different textures, purposefully pulling on his toys that have levers, and loves feeling sand and water and other surfaces under his feet.
- He can sign! Since attending Little Village, Brayden has learned to sign "More" and "Me" really nicely.
- He can clap purposefully and vocalize the word "Clap!" This was Brayden's official first word and it is great to see him open up in this way.
- He can reach for and grab toys and food he likes! Brayden has learned to reach for and grab things he likes, and even reject things he doesn't want.
- He can throw! Brayden has learned to grab and throw balls that fit in his hand.
- He can stand with support and is learning to take steps using a pre-gait and gait trainer.
- He can use the eye gaze machine! Brayden loves his time with the eye gaze machine at Little Village that gives him another way to communicate.



- He can eat! We are blessed that Brayden is able to eat and drink. He loves everything from fruits and veggies to turkey and pizza.
- He can look up at you and smile and vocalize with many sounds. We love when Brayden is engaged and he loves when we do things like count to 5.

“We are so thankful for all of the support that everyone has shown Brayden at Little Village. We couldn’t ask for a better team of people that have worked so hard to help him make such progress.” Here at school, we are thrilled to see all of Brayden’s accomplishments and can’t wait to see what he does next!

Room 64 Learns About Animals living in the Ocean

Teacher **Shari Orinstein** and the children in Room 64 have started the summer off by learning about animals that live in the ocean. They have enjoyed gluing puzzle pieces to make a dolphin, playing ocean animal bingo and sorting ocean and non-ocean animals. The children are excited to learn more about their favorite ocean animals.



Thank You!

Pictured are **Dr. Robert Mueller**, Psychologist (center) from East Meadow School District, **Kathleen Langlois** (pictured left), Little Village Classroom Teacher in Room 60, and **Patti Pizza**, HLVS Principal.

Robert stopped by for a visit and brought a check from the **Zumba Fundraiser** at East Meadow High School in April. We will be purchasing educational materials for our children with this very generous donation.

We greatly appreciate their kindness and efforts!



Room 21's Super Heroes

Teacher **Erin Gruosso** and the students and staff in Room 21 had a super fun year! We are so excited to see some of our super heroes go on to new schools but will miss them so much!

