

# Innovative Therapy 4-Kids, Inc.



## Bumble Bee Gazette

Summer 2011



### SUMMER PROGRAMS!

Our Summer Programs have begun! Check out the information below and ask your therapist if you have any questions. Don't get stuck in the sand – sign up today!

<b>Fast Forward</b>	Computer based language recognition, reading, written comprehension *Based on availability*	
<b>Language Groups</b>	Social & Language Pragmatic Skills Mon 1 & 4 p.m. & Weds 2 & 3 p.m.	6-8 weeks 1x/week *Variety of age groups
<b>LIFT</b>	Reading/Concentration/Organization Skills 3 weeks/4 week break/3 weeks	*Based on availability*
<b>Pen Pals</b>	Handwriting Skills Mon 3 & 4 p.m. & Weds 9 a.m.	6 weeks 2x/week Levels 1, 2, & 3
<b>Red Light Green Light</b>	Self-Regulation Skills *Dates & Times TBD*	6 weeks 2x/week
<b>Sensory Motor Groups</b>	Coordination Improvement Tues 1 & 2 p.m. & Thurs 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.	6 weeks 2x/week
<b>Social Skills Group</b>	Social Pragmatic Skills Weds 4 & 5 p.m.	6-8 weeks 1x/week
<b>The Listening Program</b>	Reading/Concentration/Organizational Skills *Based on availability*	8-16 weeks



### PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT



#### Fast ForWord

Fast ForWord is a computer based program that can help your child improve basic skills like language recognition, reading readiness, spoken and written comprehension, and the ability to pay attention – the building blocks of all learning.

We use short Brain Gym activities between exercises to maintain focus and attention of the program.

#### LiFT

LiFT is a personalized program designed to facilitate auditory processing, sensory integration, attention, speech-language acquisition, learning, and overall well-being. Listening Fitness is an educational technique that uses a child's own voice and filtered music to develop and improve listening skills.



### Family Day!

Please join us for our first family day of the summer at the BEACH <sup>ON</sup>



Friday, July 15  
4:00 p.m.



(we will gather at the end of Grand St. in Carlsbad at the shore)

Food and drinks will be provided. Feel free to bring games, boogie boards, sand buckets, kites, and anything else to help celebrate our wonderful

IT4K Family!



#### Sarah's Fun Fact Corner

- They have square watermelons in Japan.
- A hummingbird weighs less than a penny.
- More people use blue toothbrushes than red ones.
- Slugs have four noses.

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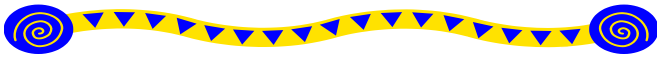
## **STAR STAFF!**

### **Meet IT4K's newest OT!**

Kathy Patten joined our team in April 2011. She graduated from the University of New Mexico in July 2002 with a Master's degree. She has post-graduate, continuing education, and mentoring in the areas of sensory integration, sensory processing disorder, and listening therapies. She has had extensive training related to developmental disorders and behavioral interventions, RDI, and DIR/Floortime, amongst many other areas. Kathy has been married for 16 years and has two grandchildren (and one on the way!). She loves to hike, fish, and camp with her husband.



**Welcome Kathy!**



### **PRODUCT OF THE MONTH**

#### **DnZ-Vibe**

The oral motor tool that does everything from A to Z!

- A revolutionary design for hand-held vibration
- Durable construction
- Multi-faceted uses & interchangeable tips

**Pick up one at the Front Desk today!**



### **HOW MANY GUMBALLS ARE IN THERE ANYWAY?**

Submit your guess to the Front Desk on your next visit and win one free product of your choosing if you guess the number of gumballs exactly!



**Check out our new website for program information and exciting news!**



[www.it4k.com](http://www.it4k.com)



### **Traveling Tips for Families**

Parents offer tried and true remedies for summer vacation headaches:

#### **Solve Sibling Squabbles:**

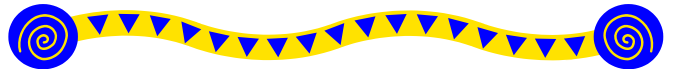
Provide each of your children with a roll of masking tape to build a "wall" in the backseat. This will provide entertainment, prevent fights, and is easily cleaned up.

#### **Beat the Bed Bugs:**

Staying in a motel can be an invitation for illness. Pack sanitizing wipes in your suitcase and wipe down door handles, TV remotes, light switches, telephones, and bathroom surfaces to kill off any germs the housekeepers may have missed. These are also useful when using gas station bathrooms!

Read more tips at:

[Http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/24278435/](http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/24278435/)



**Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!**



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