

Operation: Pajama Program

Mission: Play and Learn Children Learn About Giving

Along with learning their letters and numbers, math and science, the children at Play and Learn are taught the importance of character, community and compassion. Incorporated into the curriculum are events that teach the significance of sharing with others, giving to those less fortunate and helping each other in times of need. From the Toys for Tots Program to the Ronald McDonald House, the children at Play and Learn understand that building strong character and being involved in their community is an essential part of becoming a good citizen.

Play and Learn centers located in Ardmore, Bryn Mawr, Hatboro and Lansdale recently showed their children how they can continue to build character by participating in the Pajama Program. The Pajama Program is a non-profit organization that was founded in 2001 with the mission to provide pajamas and books to children in need throughout the United States.

With the help and support of all the parents, the children were thrilled to participate in this program. Each center hosted a Pajama Party day, where the children wore their pajamas to school. Stories were read, pajamas and books were collected and the children experienced firsthand the satisfaction of their efforts.

The program was a huge success, collecting over 175 pairs of pajamas and over 160 books! The outcome could not have been more triumphant. The children learned a valuable lesson of not only giving to those less fortunate but also to appreciate the things they have. One of the parents was so touched by the excitement and enthusiasm of her child, that in lieu of presents at her son's upcoming birthday, she asked that donations be made to a charity.

The children who received the pajamas and books were extremely thankful. The cozy pajamas and familiar books will keep their hearts warm. Play and Learn was happy to be a part of this program. For more information about our programs or to find a Play and Learn center near you, call 215-643-4142, 610-489-9598 or visit us on the web at www.playandlearn.com.

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Photo Caption: The children at the Play and Learn center in Bryn Mawr proudly display the pajamas they have collected for children in need.

