



# DRAGON'S ROAR

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## PIP General Meeting

Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6.30PM – 7.30PM

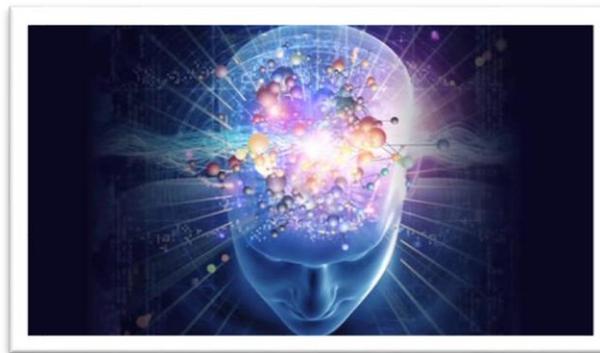
### Guest speaker:

Presenter Karen Anderson from LearningRX

### *What Happens When We Learn?*

The brain processes information through a complex network of nerve cells called neurons. As we learn, groupings of neurons physically work together to accomplish learning or thinking tasks. Research shows that additional, nearby neurons are drawn into this process when the task is new or unfamiliar, or when the intensity of the learning demand is increased. Once the task is mastered, the borrowed neurons are released to go back to other duties; however, the gains in efficiency and processing speed required for that task are retained and make learning-related tasks easier.

**Neuroplasticity** defines the brain's ability to change and modify neuron activity and connections in reaction to increased learning demand.



**Cognitive abilities** - such as memory, attention, sensory processing, and reasoning - can be increased with proper training. This increases immediate and future brain function, and produces more accurate recall, quicker processing, and easier learning across a wide range of learning challenges.

Happy Birthday!

April:

3<sup>rd</sup> Isabel Fernandez

9<sup>th</sup> Albert Buckles

13<sup>th</sup> Helen Ritchey (Atkins)

14<sup>th</sup> Jill Dinges

23<sup>rd</sup> Hannah Nayakanti

24<sup>th</sup> Jenn Bencheck

29<sup>th</sup> Lisha Tompsett



## KINDER "ADULTS ONLY" SOCIAL

Splitsville, 351 Townplace, Fairview

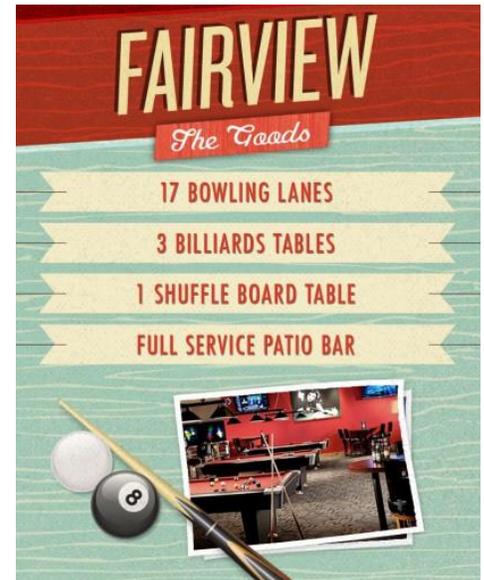
Friday April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6PM

Some of you asked for it – so here it goes!

Our very first adult only social for all kinder parents! Get a sitter and come mingle, shoot pool and/or bowl.

Please let [Nicole Griffin](#) know if you plan on attending so she can reserve some lanes.

Hope to see you there! Contact [Nicole Griffin](#) for more information.



## Go Bananas with Dad

Come on in to have a GoGurt and Bananas with Dad!



This fun event is on Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:15AM – 7:40AM in the multipurpose room.

Come on in to share a breakfast and some personal time with Dad.

## SPRIT NIGHT AT **SPRING-CREEK BARBEQUE**

Don't cook dinner, come enjoy some good Barbeque. Spring Creek is located next to Target off of 75 and 380. In order to accommodate our size and decrease the length of the lines Spring Creek is hosting Imagine for two nights on April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>. Check with your individual teacher to find out when they are signed up for.

Dinner is from 5PM – 9PM.

*Remember the classroom with the most in attendance will win a prize!*

## Friday Movie Night

April 4<sup>th</sup> – doors open at 6.30PM, movie starts at 7PM

Benefiting 'Learning for Limbs'.

Get ready for Dolphin Tale!

