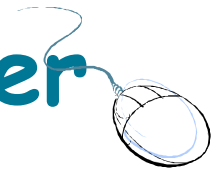


# CompuChild Chatter



As our regular readers know, our quarterly newsletter usually discusses a topic related to computers and children. This issue is different.

Each week, there are thousands of children in CompuChild classes taught in preschools and child care centers all over the nation, and each child touches the lives of CompuChild program directors and instructors. CompuChild has a strong commitment to enhancing the lives of the children we teach.

This year we have decided to take our commitment to children one step further. The National Association for the Education of Young Children celebrates the Week of the Young Child from April 22nd to April 28th. Here in RI, the annual conference will be held in Providence on April 28th, and we'll be there along with other child care professionals from all over the state. We at CompuChild are going to celebrate the entire month of April by helping children all over the nation who are battling cancer.

What is the impact of childhood cancer?

- Cancer is the #1 disease killer of children, cutting short the lives of more children under the age of 20 than any other disease
- Every school day, 46 young people, or two regular classrooms of students, are diagnosed with cancer in this country. More than 12,500 children are diagnosed with cancer each year and over 40,000 children and adolescents are currently being treated for childhood cancers.
- The incidence of childhood cancer has increased every year over the past 25 years.

Here at CompuChild, we've decided to celebrate the Week of the Young Child by fighting childhood cancer. How does *CompuChild Cares* work?

- ☞ We're asking every parent to add one extra dollar when paying April tuition.
- ☞ CompuChild will match each dollar contributed, and 100% of what is collected by all CompuChild program directors will be donated through [www.curesearch.org](http://www.curesearch.org) to the National Childhood Cancer Foundation Children's Oncology Group.
- ☞ Curesearch.org puts nearly all money received straight to the children who need it most. There is one Children's Oncology Group hospital that serves our children here in the state, the Rhode Island Hospital on Eddy St in Providence.

Parents can use this celebration as a great teaching opportunity, encouraging their children to "earn" the dollar at home and then donate it to help others.

So please remember to donate when you pay your April tuition. To learn more about the Children's Oncology Group program, you can visit their website at <http://www.curesearch.org>. **Together we can make a difference!**

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**Check out our article in the February 2007 issue of Families Today!!!**



These are some questions to ask your CompuChild (some are more advanced):

- ☞ What's a motherboard?
- ☞ How do I change the volume?
- ☞ Should I use control-alt-delete any time I want?
- ☞ Why do I keep the fan clean?



## Where can we go today? Check these out!

- ☞ This site allows small children to work on their alphabet. It says it only works for Netscape 3.0, but I've used it in both Firefox and Internet Explorer without trouble: <http://www.billybear4kids.com/games/online/alphabet/alphabet.htm>
- ☞ <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/> is a site for children provided by the BBC. It will remind you of our own PBS children's site.