

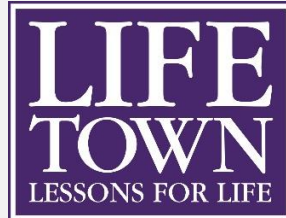


June 2020 Edition

In this newsletter, I highlight Aphasia Awareness Month. Aphasia is a language impairment that affects a person's ability to communicate. June also happens to be National Candy Month so I give you permission to enjoy your favorite candy! My favorite candy is a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup – what's yours?

Let me know who or what inspires you! Drop me a line at jenni@jennibasch.com. If you aren't already receiving this newsletter in your email, please join my list at jennibasch.com.

Have you heard of LifeTown?



Okay, this is really cool. LifeTown Columbus is a realistic, indoor city designed specifically for children with special needs to have fun while practicing important life skills through role-play. Teachers in local school districts work with LifeTown personnel to develop individualized lesson plans for students. Once they've completed their lessons and prepared, the teachers and students go to LifeTown for the day.

Some of the stores a student can visit for practice:

- Deli
- Library
- Pet Place
- Medical Center

Check out **LifeTown**'s website for more information and to take a virtual tour.

<https://www.lifetowncolumbus.org/>

June is National Aphasia Month!



Did You Know?

- Aphasia is a language impairment that affects speech production and the ability to read and write.
- People with aphasia generally have normal intellect, but have lost all or some ability to use words.
- Aphasia is caused by a brain injury or brain tumor, so it occurs across all ethnicities, socioeconomic status, and age groups.
- According to the National Aphasia Association, 2 million people in the US have aphasia but 84.5% of US citizens have never heard of it.



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For more information about aphasia check out this website for resources and useful information:

<https://www.aphasia.org/>

Awesome Product Alert!

So here's a hair brush for your child that I swear by: **Tangle Teezer Brush!** Designed to gently separate tangles and knots in hair, its magic bristles help keep the hurt of out combing hair. I've used this brush on my daughter's hair for years. And trust me when I say this brush is magic. My daughter hates anything touching her head, but the Tangle Teezer Brush helps keep her calm while I comb her hair. If you try it, let me know how it goes.

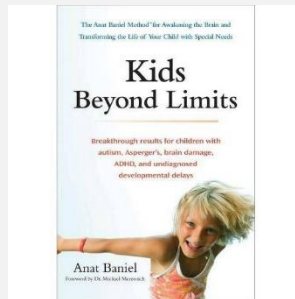
You can find it [here](#)



Book of the Month

If you haven't heard of Anat Baniel, then I have a treat for you! Anat trained as a clinical psychologist and founded the Anat Baniel Method NeuroMovement. Using the concept of neuroplasticity, Anat works with children and adults who have disabilities and limitations to transcend what many thought was possible. Her workshops and videos are a treat!

Anat Baniel's Book:



Get it here:

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/0399537368>

Inspiring Stuff!

Meet **Roman Dinkel**. Roman has spina bifida, a neural tube defect that occurs when the spine and spinal cord don't develop properly. Roman's parents share his story with the world to show Roman's determination to live a full life in spite of his disabilities. Roman has been featured in *People Magazine*, on CBS News, and even visited the Kansas City Chiefs stadium! This guy is inspiring and beyond adorable!



Check him out on his Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/romanclevelanddinkel/>

I hope this newsletter provided useful and inspiring information. Keep healthy and drop me a line if you have questions or comments for me.

Until next time,
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