

# October 2017 Newsletter



Happy fall! The weather is changing and the leaves are turning. Here in the Out of School Time Program we are continuing with the theme of the rainforest. We have been putting together some art projects for our bulletin board by the parent pockets. It is coming out great, so make sure you stop and admire your child's artwork. They will be happy to show you their work! We have been incorporating some fall themed activities as well. Last week the kids made fall trees and yesterday we made scarecrows out of popsicle sticks. They seemed to enjoy these projects and asked to make more than just one. Some of the children have been putting together books about the facts we have been learning about the rainforest. I hope that we will be finishing them by the end of October. We continue to have a cooking project once a week, sewing a couple times a week, gym, and homework, every day except Fridays, which is our free choice days.

In case you were wondering why your child came home and said we had ice cream at after school, they earned it. They filled up our Caught in The Act jar with kindness acts and we rewarded them for the first time with ice cream. We have set up another jar starting yesterday and they have a whole month to fill it up. The next reward will not be a food, but will be the children's choice of extra outside time or an extra day of free choice. All the staff here at the program want to see all the children working together, getting along, and most importantly enjoying their time in the program. We work hard every day so that this can happen by offering them choices throughout the program and setting up these incentives to work as a team.

Have you met our new staff person yet? His name is Evan and he will be working in the program on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. He is a student in college. He has a great sense of humor, is great with the children, and loves playing sports and gym games. If you get a chance, stop in and say hi.

Important  
Dates to  
Remember:  
October 6<sup>th</sup>,  
20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> are  
Early Release  
Day  
  
October 9<sup>th</sup>-  
School closed  
  
October 10<sup>th</sup>-  
Enrichments  
start

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please see me in the program or you can call the program at **665-1408** or email me at [Melanie.burt@frsu38.org](mailto:Melanie.burt@frsu38.org) .

As always thank you for your support in the program.

Melanie, David, Jeanie, Mary M., Mary G., Roberta, Tim, Jacqi, Evan, Erik and Cara

*“To me there is no picture so beautiful as smiling, bright eyed, happy children; no music so sweet as their clear and ringing laughter.” P. T. Barnum*