



GEORGIA O'KEEFE NEWSLETTER

May 13TH – 31st, 2024

HELPFUL INFORMATION

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DAILY SCHEDULE

AM PROGRAM:
 6:30-7:30 Self Selection
 7:30-7:50 Round-up & Clean-up
 7:50-8:00 Breakfast, Playground & Close

PM PROGRAM:
 3:05-3:30 Check-In & Round-up
 3:30-5:15 Snack
 3:30-5:30 Self Selection
 3:30-5:30 Self Selected, Planned Curriculum
 5:30-6:00 Clean-up & Close

ABSENCES

If your child will not be attending Children's Choice on a day they are scheduled to be there and/or if your child has any after school clubs, please call the site phone, **(505) 504-4943**, to let us know.

When a child does not show up when they are expected, we want to ensure that the child is safe and accounted for. Please help us keep all of our children safe!

- REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
- Check our Lost and Found for missing items. Items are moved to the school's Lost and Found every Friday!
 - Please bring a labeled water bottle each day, if possible!

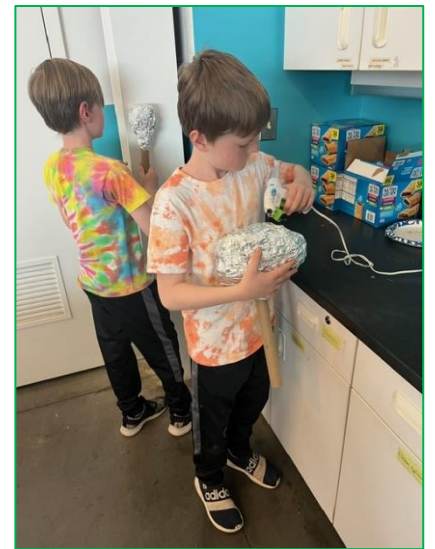
MONDAY 05/13	TUESDAY 05/14	WEDNESDAY 05/15	THURSDAY 05/16	FRIDAY 05/17
Kings & Queens Dodgeball w/Julia  Birdhouses w/Janessa	Older Kids Club Twisted Fairy Tails w/Josh, Elysia & Ray Wall Ball w/Kade	Capture the Egg w/Lanna & Tannyn TRADITIONAL 5TH GRADERS FIELD TRIP STARBUCKS 3:30-6 PM 	Snake w/Kori  Sign Language Club w/Madison	Paracord Bracelets w/Sara Paper Plate Sundial w/Charles
MONDAY 05/20	TUESDAY 05/21	WEDNESDAY 05/22	THURSDAY 05/23	FRIDAY 05/24
Natures Paintbrush w/Sara Bug Hunt w/Audrey 	Code Your Name! w/Tammy Fairy House w/Recycled Paper Towel Rolls w/Kori	Rattle Snake Race w/Janessa Plant-Pot Painting w/Hudson & Cyrus 	Shooting Rocket Ships w/Beau & Julia Sign Language Club w/Madison	NO SCHOOL CC OPEN @JB 7 AM-6 PM BRING A LUNCH 
MONDAY 05/27	TUESDAY 05/28	WEDNESDAY 05/29	THURSDAY 05/30	FRIDAY 05/31
NO SCHOOL NO CC 	Older Kids Club Escape Room w/Ray Hand Sewing Poke Balls w/Remmi & Kade	Creature Creation w/Tannyn Gummy Bear Beard Water Game w/Charles	Tug of War w/Cyrus  DIY Wind Chimes w/Audrey & Tammy	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL CC OPEN @GOK 11 AM – 6 PM CC FIELD DAY BRING A LUNCH 

Tinfoil Spiders w/Ethan D. (10)

In this activity **Ethan** original planned on only showing the others how to make Tinfoil Spiders. But everyone in the activity-including Ethan-decided they wanted to make their own Tinfoil creation! We had two dragons, two Thor hammers, a chicken with its eggs and many more fun creations! This activity showed how trusting your creativity can break down expectations and allow the kids to make memories with friends, create art they are proud of and the golden rule of Children's Choice, having fun! It was awesome to see how into the activity the kids got, even using the boxes and empty rolls of aluminum foil. It was a great lesson that going with the flow allows the kids to have more fun and engage more into the activity with making it their own.

Weston (10): I'm going to make this dragon a challenge with no glue or tape or toothpicks only the foil." He accomplished this!

Sienna R (7): I don't want to make a spider. I'm going to make a chicken that matches the one on my pencil!"



Flapping Butterflies

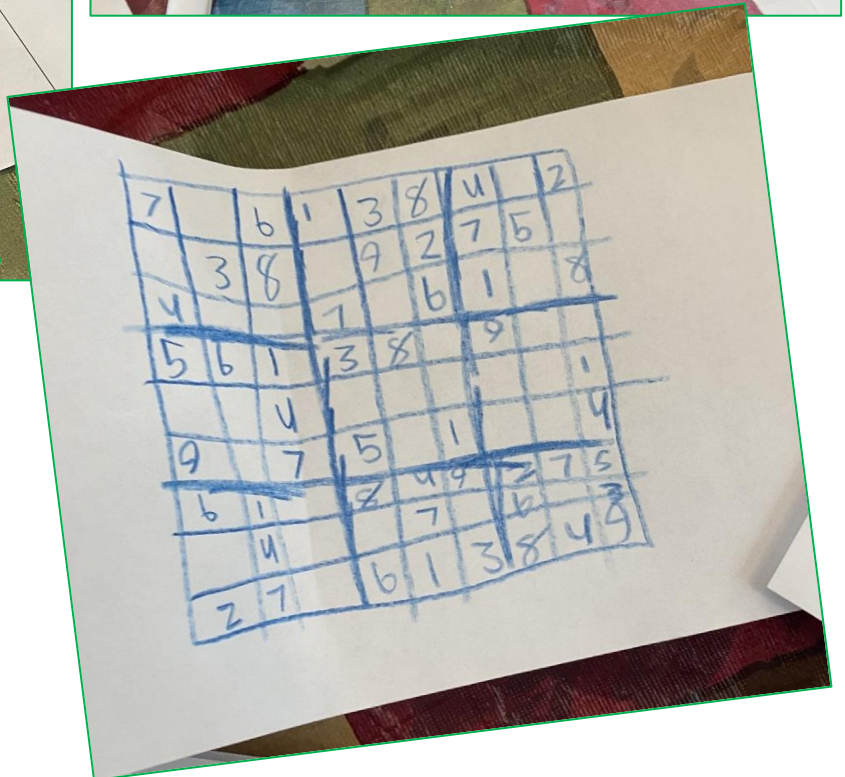
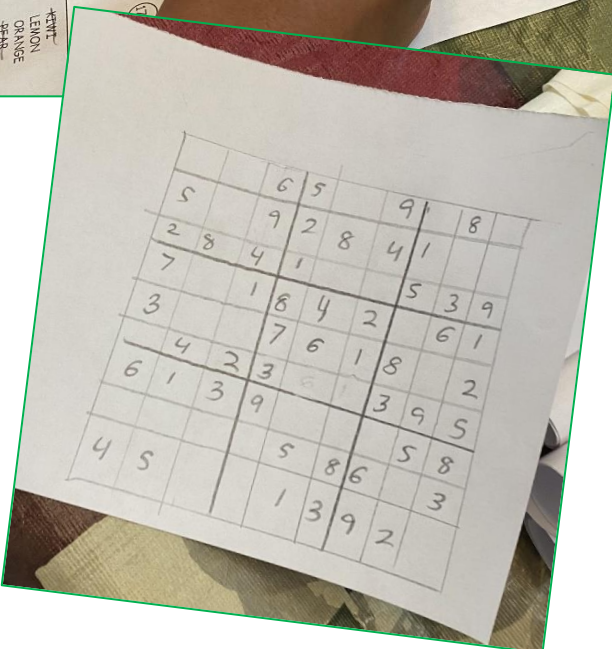
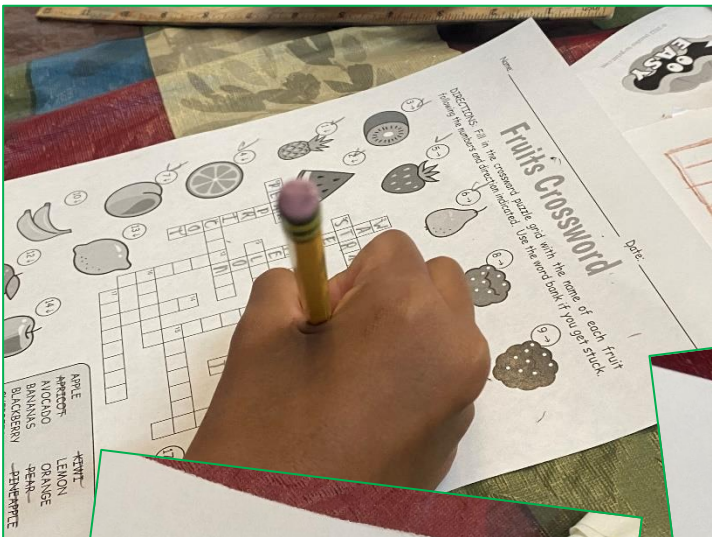
This butterfly activity was super easy and fun to make for kids of all ages. Each child got to color their own butterfly and learn how to make it look like it's flying using just a few materials and even teaching the children just a little bit about engineering. We used two different sized straws and tape to make the wings move. It was definitely more fun allowing the kids to have their own artistic design to their butterflies. It was great watching all the kids complement each other and their work and even at times give inspiration to others.





Puzzle Mania w/Everest (9)

The kids were tasked to first study up on what these puzzles are. They worked together on figuring out a few sudokus, crosswords, and word searches to figure out what they initially wanted to create. After they decided, they made their puzzle. We mainly had sudokus, but they turned out awesome! Then with the left overtime, some puzzles were done and it was very peaceful.



Building Workshop

In this workshop we used some building kits from Lowe's, Fire truck and Football goal. The first day, we did our workshop inside. It was so loud for inside. So, the second day of the workshop we went outside to build. Kids love this workshop, they were so patient, helpful and cooperative during the activity because we had only 2 hammers. We learned:

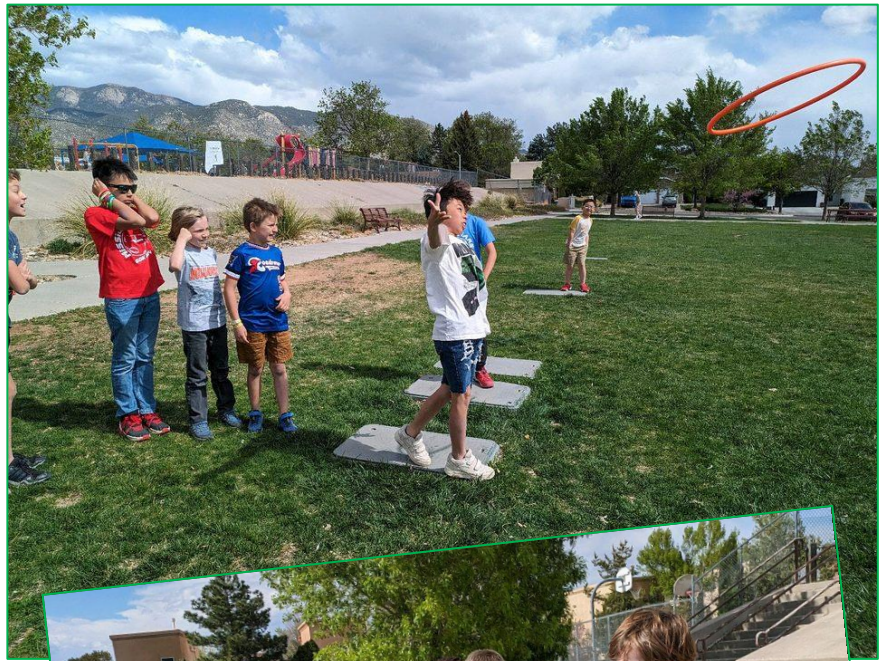
- how to read the instruction,
- how to follow steps on the instruction and
- how to use a hammer.

We finished the activity without any finger injuries. YAY!!!

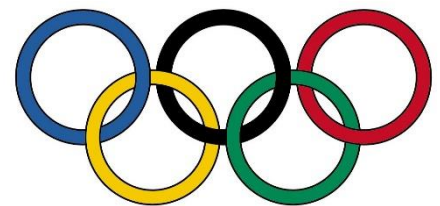


OLDER KIDS CLUB-Olympics

The older kids ended this week with our very first Olympic event, where 4th and 5th graders, as well as the 3rd graders that will soon become older kids, competed in 8 different events: a hopscotch race, discus throw (with hula hoops), hula hoop endurance challenge, a talent-show routine, a regular track race, long jump, a giant game of tag, and finally a game of chance. Despite our lack of training and preparation, many of the kids were willing to try the events they had no experience in. **Josh (9), Landon (8), and Dylan (10)** participated in every event! And it payed off for them, because they ended up getting 1st, 2nd and 3rd place overall for the whole event. **"That was the best time I had all year!", said Eric (11),** as we came inside. We all agreed we should do this again next year, and began preparing for older kids Olympics to be a nice end of year event where next years older kids can compete with the current ones for the last time. We'll all look forward to more Olympic events in the coming years, but **"we were the first", - Dylan**



CC OLYMPICS



INTERVIEW

Questions with Aniya (7), 2nd Grade

If you're spending time outside, where do you like to be and why?

I like to be at the swings because it's fun, and I feel like I'm flying.

What's your proudest achievement?

I am very proud of learning how to hang upside down, because not many first graders can do it.

What trip would you most like to take and why?

The trip I would like to take is to New York City because I really want to see New York City. The beach, the giant buildings and of course the PIZZA! I also have a NYC key chain!

How do you see yourself living when you are older?

I want to live in New York City and be a doctor. There's a lot of people in New York to help!

If you could change the world, what would you do?

To change the world, I would want to invent a better tasting medicine for kids when they are sick so they will actually want to take their medicine.

When did you feel you couldn't express your feelings honestly?

One time I was sad because I wanted to go on the monkey bars, and someone said, "can you go?" and moved my hand and I fell, and I started to cry, but didn't know how to tell the person that they hurt my feelings.

Where do you want to take on more responsibility?

I want to help my mom with laundry, the dishes, and pretty much whatever needs to be cleaned at home.



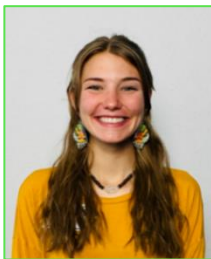
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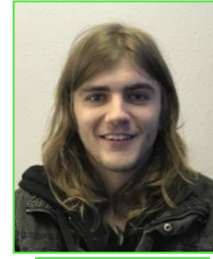
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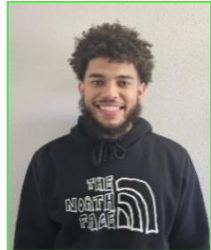
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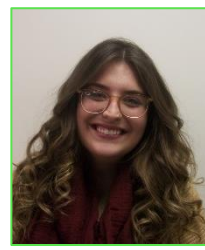
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Julia Beyale



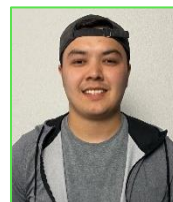
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AM TEAM

