



# March 2020 Newsletter



“I know it is wet and the sun is not sunny, but we can have lots of good fun that is funny”—Dr. Seuss

This past October, a parent approached me from the program about applying for a garden grant through the Whole Kids Foundation. I spent a few weeks writing the grant and pouring over ideas and thoughts of different ways we could make our garden better. There were over 900 applicants from around the country also applying for this grant. It is with great pleasure that I get to announce we were one of 550 applicants that received the grant. We now have \$3,000.00 to expand our garden. With this money some of the ideas I have are, getting a composter so we can compost our own stuff, replacing the rain barrels to recycle water, fixing the bed next to the shed and removing the tree inside the bed by the pavilion. We need more materials etc... as well. The staff and I are super excited to jump into this project with the children and families of the program. In the next couple of months, we will be looking for volunteers to be helping with the project.

For the month of March, we will work on a spring theme. We will continue to spend time outside and as the days become warmer will spend some extra time out there. Please be aware that it has been very muddy and we hope that it dries up soon.

Our spring enrichments start today March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This time we are running three programs, beginning French, Getting Artsy, and Acro-Yoga. Two of these are new programs to us with a new instructor and we are anxious to see what the programs are all about.

A reminder that River Valley Day Camp registration is now open. Flyers should have gone home with your child at the end of last week. Last year we filled up very quickly. If you want to guarantee a spot for your child/children please send in the forms sooner rather than later. We have extra flyers at the

OSTP desk if you need one. **RVDC runs from June 29<sup>th</sup>-August 14<sup>th</sup>.** We have seven fun filled weeks planned with great field trips.

April vacation camp flyers will be coming out in the next couple of weeks. Make sure you keep an eye out for the registration forms if your child will be attending. **April vacation camp dates are Tuesday April 21-Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>.**

Thank you,

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Just a two of the awesome activities from Feb. Vacation camp