

THE

MIDLAND

MONTHLY

**CELEBRATING A SUMMER OF LEARNING,
LAUGHTER, AND GROWTH! ☀️☀️**



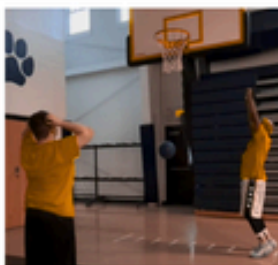
As our Extended School Year program comes to a close, we're celebrating a summer filled with learning, laughter, creativity, and growth. Inside this newsletter, you'll find photos highlighting our students engaged in exciting weekly themes, hands-on classroom activities, special assemblies, outdoor pool fun, and memorable moments shared with friends and staff.



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Week 1 - Everyday All Stars

Assembly All-Stars! 🏀⭐



Students stepped into the spotlight during our exciting Corey the Dribbler assembly! Volunteers had the chance to spin a basketball on their finger, dribble two basketballs at once, shoot a foul shot, and even take on the challenge of making a three-pointer. Corey amazed the audience with his incredible basketball skills, energy, and entertaining performance, making this an assembly our students will remember for years to come!

Week 2: Science Under Our Feet

Throughout the week, students enjoyed an amazing science-themed assembly, went on nature scavenger hunts, watched A Bug's Life, made ant hills and discovered the wonders of the world beneath their feet.



The fun continued in the Independent Living Kitchen, where students created delicious dirt cups and edible mud pies, bringing science and life skills together in a creative and engaging way.



From exploring nature to participating in interactive activities, the week was packed with laughter, learning, and memorable experiences. Our students had an incredible time discovering that science is all around us—even right beneath our feet!



Week 3 -To the Moon and Beyond! 🌙🚀



Week 3 of ESY launched with an unforgettable visit inside a giant inflatable planetarium! Students stepped into a star-filled night sky to learn about the Sun, Moon, stars, and constellations while enjoying a truly out-of-this-world experience. It was the perfect way to kick off The Moon theme and inspire curiosity about space!

Week 4 - Teamwork



TEAM
Work
MAKES THE
Dream
WORK



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Laugh Out Loud - Week 5

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Week 6 - Sunshine and Smiles

SUMMER JAM LASER SHOW



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There is no better way to end the summer ESY Program!





Summer Dance!



LIMBO



Aquatic Therapy



Aquatic Therapy

is a valuable extension of traditional Physical and Occupational Therapy, using the unique properties of water to help students build skills that carry over into everyday life. During Extended School Year, select students participate in individualized sessions that work towards improved strength, balance, coordination, flexibility, body awareness, endurance, and sensory regulation in a safe, supportive environment. The water's buoyancy reduces the effects of gravity, promotes relaxation, decreases pain, and encourages movement, helping students gain confidence while developing lifelong water safety and functional skills.

Benefits of Aquatic Therapy

- Reduced effects of gravity, allowing for easier movement
- Improved strength, endurance, and muscle control
- Increased flexibility, joint mobility, and range of motion
- Enhanced balance, coordination, and body awareness
- Improved sensory regulation and sensory processing
- Better cardiovascular endurance and overall fitness
- Pain relief, relaxation, and reduced muscle tone
- Development of functional movement and lifelong water safety skills



Aquatic Therapy provides a safe, supportive environment where students can gain confidence, improve mobility, and strengthen skills that translate to success both in and out of the water.

Fun in the Pool!



Look What's
Coming!

The New Playground



The new Midland playground is starting to come together! We've made tremendous progress, and we couldn't be more excited about what's ahead. When our students return in September, they will have a brand-new, accessible space to play, explore, move, and have fun! There's still more to come, but we are sharing a sneak peek at the progress so far.

Take a look... the transformation is underway! And this is just the beginning! ☀️



Spirit Week!



CUTE
But
CRAZY



😄 Things got CRAZY at Midland! From wild hair and wacky socks to outrageous hats and silly glasses, our students and staff brought their best—and craziest—spirit each day! A huge shout-out to our staff for always going above and beyond to make our students smile. It was a CRAZY week filled with laughter, creativity, and lots of smiles! 😄



September calendar

Thursday, September 3rd

First Day of School

Monday, September 7th

School Closed - Labor Day

Thursday, September 17th

Back to School Night

Monday, September 21st

School Closed - Yom Kippur

Tuesday, September 22nd

Spirit Day - Fabulous Fall Day!
Wear fall attire

