

August 2018



Newsletter

Important

Dates:

- **August 6:** 2018 - 2019 School age contracts available.
- **August 9:** AZ and Preschool Puppet Show at the State Theatre.
- **August 17:** Preschool Fieldtrip to McLeod County Fair.
- **August 17 & 18:** AZ Fieldtrip to McLeod County Fair.
- **August 27:** First day of school for NDMS
- **September 3:** Kids Inc Closed
- **September 4:** First day of school Park Elementary.
- **September 4:** K-1 West Elementary Orientation



Going to the Fair!



On Thursday August 16th both the Preschoolers and Adventure Zone will be going to the McLeod County Fair. They will explore the animals and displays, take in a show, enjoy a snack provided by Miller Mfg., and have lunch at the fair. Please wear your blue Kids Inc shirt and orange adventure shirt.

On Friday August 17th Adventure Zone will attend the Comedy and Magic with Kevin Hall, have snack provide by Miller Mfg., watch the Jolly Pops and explore more of what the fair has to offer. Please wear your orange Adventure Zone shirt.



No one has yet realized the wealth of sympathy, the kindness and generosity hidden in the soul of a child. The effort of every true education should be to unlock that treasure.

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Parent –Free Play is Valuable

From ExchangeEveryDay

In an online article, Cory Turner quotes Katherine Reynolds Lewis, author of a new parenting book, *The Good News About Bad Behavior*:

“Kids are play-deprived nowadays...Two or three decades ago, children were roaming neighborhoods in mixed-age groups, playing pretty unsupervised,’ Lewis says. And this kind of parent-free play helped them develop important skills they’d use for the rest of their lives.

‘They were able to resolve disputes. They planned their time. They managed their games. They had a lot of autonomy, which also feeds self-esteem and mental health.’



These days, though, free play is on the decline, Lewis says, and so are the social and emotional skills that come with it. Part of the problem, according to Lewis, is parents who worry that unsupervised play is just too risky. But the risk is part of the point—for kids ‘to have falls and scrapes and tumbles and discover that they’re okay. They can survive being hurt.

Source: “Empowering Kids in an Anxious World” Cory Turner, nprEd.org, July 18, 2018



Adventure Zone Reminders:

- Turn August Fieldtrip Permission Form. 
- **Always** bring a swimsuit and towel for fieldtrips and water play! 
- Bring a water bottle to stay hydrated. 
- Check with Kids Inc staff if you need to replenish your sunscreen if you are using your own. 
- **Be ready to have FUN!**

It’s the last month of summer and Labor Day is right around the corner. As a reminder Kids Inc will be closed on



Labor Day. If you are planning a vacation or a long weekend, please let us know when your child will not be attending Kids Inc. Thank you and enjoy the remainder of your summer!

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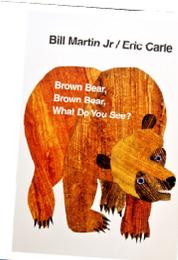
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Looking Ahead

Preschool Class Open House

You are invited to attend our Preschool Class Open House on Thursday, September 6th, 2018 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. Explore the classroom and enjoy some refreshments. Classes will start Tuesday September 11th. The theme for this year is: “Preschoolers, Preschoolers, What Can We Learn?”



Adventure Zone

We had a FANTASTIC summer and now it is time to go back to school. School age School Year contracts will be going out August 6th. Please return as soon as possible to ensure your child's enrollment. Bus #5 will stop at Kids Inc to pick up school age children at approximately 8:00 am and drop off the school age children at approximately 3:40 pm. We have activities planned for your child before and after school. Snack will be provided in the afternoon when the children arrive off the bus. On Tuesday, September 4th, West Elementary has short orientations throughout the day. We will be available to provide care for your kindergarten child and/or your first grade child. Please let us know so we can order the correct number of lunches for Tuesday. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy or Emily.

