



The School Age Care News

Sept/Oct 2008

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the School Age Care Program. I am looking forward to a fun and productive school year with all of you.

Please come share in the celebration of *Lights on Afterschool* at the Shaker Community Bldg on October 15th 6:30-8:00p. We'll have food, entertainment, giveaways, raffles, and projects from our SAC participants.

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MERCER

General News

Students at Mercer are increasing their knowledge and opening new avenues. Each student has their own personal daily journals. This gives them a time to reflect on their school day. Students are excited to write and express their thoughts. For the month of September "**It's All About Me,**" students will be learning about themselves, such as favorite food, animal, music, TV shows, and favorite school subject.

Showcase

★ KALEL WELL ★

Age: 6
Grade: 1st
Favorite food: Spinach
Kalel enjoys art, gym and music.
Siblings: 3 older brothers

★ ALEX CADE ★

Age: 9
Grade: 4th
Alex enjoys sports and singing
Siblings: 2 brothers

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Upcoming Events in October

BOBBING FOR APPLES



Students will be bobbing for apples and enjoying apple cider with a special Spooky Treat.

Arts



Students will be introduced to a variety of music, such as jazz, R&B, classical, blues, rock 'n roll and contemporary.

Sports



We've started dodge ball club and eagerly await basketball season.


WOODBURY

General News

We have started getting this school year underway. Now summer vacation is a memory of days gone away. But in remembering those days we made a list of some places we went to and the things we did. The places visited were New Jersey, New York, Lake Norris, Tennessee, Maine, Washington D.C., Chicago, West Virginia, Philadelphia, and Peru. Things we did were attend camps, went to grandmas, played on baseball teams, and just relaxed.

In regards to our schedule, homework is the first activity

Monday through Thursday. Afterwards, we have snack and then activities: either indoors or outdoors. Indoor activities include viewing movies and bringing in toys on Fridays. The gym has been the place for playing football, dodge ball, basketball, kickball, jumping rope and racing. We are trying to go outdoors as much as possible, while we can enjoy the nice weather.

The past month topics  were about bees, tigers and chocolates. We read some interesting facts about tigers. They have been posted so parents can read the facts too.

We also received the book *Willy Wonka and The Chocolate Factory* from our coordinator, Ms. Rhonda. Our resident book critic, Nathan, has already read another book that was right in line with our chocolate topic entitled *The Chocolate Touch*. Nathan tells us a little bit of what the book is about. Narayan wrote a poem incorporating bees and tigers. Please see the Creative Writing section.



Happy Birthday

Spencer Sept. 15

Welcome

Welcome to all students and parents,

We look forward to making this school year an enjoyable and productive one. Please help us in reminding students that homework is important, and all students need to be courteous of those who are serious about completing their homework.

We enjoyed having Mr. Jarryd with our staff, for the beginning of the school year. However, he returned to Ohio University for his academic school year. He is completing his degree in Education. We look forward to his return, with us, for winter break.

Creative Writing

Save the birds,
Save the bees,
Save the tigers,
Save the tree.



by Narayan S.

The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Cating is about a greedy boy. He goes to a candy store and the storekeeper gives him chocolate. The chocolate was magic and made everything he put in his mouth turn to chocolate.

By Nathan

FERNWAY

General News

Hello to all our Fernway families and welcome to another exciting school year! We hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer!

The month of September is Save the Tiger Month and Honey Month. Some of our students made "fierce" tiger masks, using the paper mache method. We also made *bee-utiful* Bumble Bee and flower magnets!



New Faces

This year we have some new faces. Ms. Jessica Tufts has been adopted into the Fernway family. Although this is her first year with us, she enjoys working with the children very much. Over the summer she was Assistant Director of Safety Town Camp for Pre-K children. We also have a returning vet, Mrs. Monique Rolko. Mrs. Monique worked in childcare a few years ago, but has now returned to the Fernway family. We also have 14 other new faces: OUR KINDERGARTENERS! We want to welcome them and their families to our Fernway family. Unfortunately, Mr. Gyasi and his family have relocated to Dallas, TX. He was a great impact on the children and is missed very much.

Just for Fun

Featured author: Roald Dahl



Which book is the favorite:

- The BFG (2)
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (12)
- Matilda (3)
- James and the Giant Peach (3)

Happy Reading! ☺

Creative Writing

My Favorite Flower

Flowers can be all different colors.

They can be red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, and pink. A flower rainbow!

My favorite flower was a pink flower, it was beautiful. I love flowers! In a garden, In a park, anywhere! They're absolutely perfect

by Anna Walker, 3rd grade



After Care

After Care is awesome

Everybody comes

As people know

We are having fun.

Legos and board games

That's what after care has.

While your mom's at work

Come and have fun.

by Austin Hise, 4th grade



Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to all our August and September babies!!! Hope you enjoy your special day!



Clarise Williams Aug. 10

Nick Robinson Aug. 18

Bella Smolsky Aug. 23

Sam Klein Aug. 26

Morgan Neeson Sept. 21

LOMOND

General News

Welcome new and returning families!

We hope your summer vacation went wonderfully. Our childcare introduced themselves with beautiful self-portraits. Their work is displayed on the hallway wall outside of the auditorium door.

On Hershey's Day and Roald Dahl's Day the children enjoyed Hershey's kisses, candy-themed coloring sheets, and a new copy of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl was added to our library. The children are also looking forward to celebrating Constitution Day and Johnny Appleseed Day. Club activities are scheduled to begin at the start of October.



Creative Writing

Homework oh homework I love you

Homework oh homework I love you so much.

I want to do homework all day long.

Homework oh homework you are so much fun

I even want to do homework on the weekends.

Homework oh homework I love you so much

I want to do homework on the summer vacation.

The end.



by Jalan Sloan, 3rd grader

Arts & Crafts

Children and staff are anticipating many exciting arts & crafts projects this year.

Knitting club, reading club, and sewing club are eager to begin.

Showcase

★ AIRA PERKINS ★

Lomond childcare has a wonderful new student: Aria Perkins. Her parents are Latonea and Christian Perkins. She is a first grader in Mrs. Singerman's class from Painsville. Five-year old Aria loves to read and draw. This summer she enjoyed vacationing in New York, swimming, and bowling with family and friends. Her favorite place to eat is Red Robin. Aria is a pleasure to have here!



Sports

We are all taking advantage of the nice weather. Mr. "R" is witnessing new and familiar faces participating in football and kickball, the kindergarteners are learning how to jump rope, and everyone is enjoying a bit of exercise.



ONAWAY

General News



Hello from all of us at Onaway. We hope that your summer was good and that you all got a well deserved rest. We look forward to an exciting year filled with learning and fun as we welcome the children back to school. So, welcome to Onaway's before and aftercare.

New Faces

This year we have some new faces at Onaway. In the morning we have Ms. Jessica Tufts. She also works at Fernway in the afternoon. For Aftercare we have Ms. Elkins and Ms. Sara Griffin. The children refer to them as Ms. E and Ms. Sara. They are wonderful additions to Onaway and we welcome them with open arms.

We also have many new faces in the crowd. Kindergarten and 1st grade faces, we welcome you with open arms!

Reminders

1. With so many younger children this year, the children have a tendency to forget their belongings (books, homework, shoes, clothing, etc.). We will do our best to stay on top of this; however, to no avail, things still come up missing. In the event that this does happen, we have two areas where lost and found articles are kept 1) coat rack in the multipurpose room where before and aftercare are held 2) playground entrance doorway. If you are looking for lost items check those two places or check their class-

Thought for the Month

I asked Charlie Sullivan his thought on what voting was. Charlie, a 1st grader, said "That's when people fight over who the President is gonna be."

Keep it in Mind

In Aftercare a lot goes on.

1. Storytime—the children really enjoy listening to the stories from books donated to the Aftercare program. Thank you for those donations.
2. Every Friday is Movie Day—The movie is usually over by 5: 15 pm. Sometimes the children complain about being picked up too early.
3. When picking up the kids don't worry if you don't see us. If the weather is nice, we are on the playground. If it is raining, we are in the gym. Feel free to join in on the fun. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Daniel Resnick

September 8

room. If you can't find the items, continue to keep an eye out. Things have a way of turning up!

2. One of the rules in Before and Aftercare is no toys (stuffed animals, electronics, playing cards, etc.). However, a lot of children bring in special things for sharing in their classroom. Please remind the children to only pull their toys out during sharing time. The toys can be such a distraction at any other time. Thank you for your cooperation.

BOULEVARD

General News

Before and Aftercare staff:

Mr. L. Brooks, Ms. Shalena Konduah, Ms. Annie Starling

We welcome back all of our returning Before and Aftercare Boulevardians! We also make room for all of our NEW Before and Aftercare children:

Fahad Al Qahtani (K)

Jiahe Niu (K)

Kendall McClain (K)

Kathleen Du (K)

Maxwell Thomas (K)

Han Zhang (K)

Alula Hunsen (4)

Laura Vandermvlen (2)

Xinyi Zheng (2)

Davonnia Kimbrough (3)

Sydney Widner (1)

Cassius Willingham (4)

Mira Leibovich (4)

Lucas Yang (K)

Pearce Gronek (3)

Chey Semple (4)

Micah McNeil (1)

Clubs and Activities

We are extra excited about this 2008-09 school year. We have a lot of fun things planned for Aftercare. We will be starting clubs soon.



Boulevard clubs will be Cookie Club, Arts & Crafts, Fitness Club, Basketball Club, Indoor Sports Club, Board Games, Spelling Bee, and



Reading Club. We stay busy whether we are outside, in the gym or in the Multipurpose room having popcorn and movie madness. If you are not in Aftercare at Boulevard, then you should be! You're missing all the fun!

REMINDERS

Please dress your child for the weather. We will still go outside as the temperature drops, so have your child bring a sweater or jacket. Appropriate shoes for the playground should be worn.

Please remember that Aftercare pick-up is no later than 6:30 pm. Late fees will be given after 6:30 pm.

COMMUNITY LIFE DEPARTMENT

Upcoming Events

Halloween Trek

(Ages 12 and under)

Saturday, October 25

2-4:30 pm

Call 216-491-1295 for more information

Fundaze—October 9

(Grades K-8)

Pro Football Hall of Fame

Registration Fees:

Before October 2 res\$35 nres\$45

After October 2 res\$45 nres\$55

After October 7 res\$85 nres\$95

Register [online](#).

Cooking Class - Comfort Soups

(Adults, 18+)

Thursday, October 16

7-9 pm

Food fee: \$7 (payable to instructor)

Class fee: \$15/res; \$20/nonres

Live Younger, Longer

(Adults, 18+)

Tuesday, October 7

6:30-8 pm

Shaker Community Building

res\$35 nonres\$30

Little Racquets

Grades K-2

Where kids learn tennis ... and have a ball!

November 11-December 9

3:45-4:45 pm

Mercer Elementary School

Fee: \$85 (includes t-shirts, visors or water bottles)

Call 216-491-1295 or register [online](#).

Jr. NBA/WNBA Youth Basketball League

(Grades 3-8)

Saturdays, November 8 - February 28

res\$95 nres\$115

Check our brochure or [website](#) for more information

Beyond the Dribble Fundaze Camp

(Boys, Girls Grades 4-6)

Thursday, October 9

9 am - 3 pm

Middle School East Gym

res\$45

Registration for classes have started.

Register [online](#) or call Thornton Park at 216-491-1295 or
the Shaker Community Building at 216-491-1360