

May 24, 2018

Dear Parents,

We have an exciting June schedule planned for your children. Students may arrive at school starting at 7:45 and need to be in their homeroom by 8:05. If you are running late make sure to sign your child in at the office. We will continue our regular morning schedule for Monday-Thursday, shown below:

8:05-9 Homeroom (all-school)

9-10:30 Literacy and snack (all-school)

10:30-11 Recess (K-2)

11-11:30 Math (K-2)

10:30-11:30 Math (3/4)

11:30-12:20 Lunch and recess (all-school)

On Monday-Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings, children will rotate between 5 classes: Art with Mrs. Karla, Gardening with Mrs. Bruno, Outdoor Adventure with Ms. April and Ms. Johnson, Cooking and Culture with Mrs. Emily, and Wellness and the Arts with Ms. Sabra, Mr. Lewicki, and guests. On Friday afternoons, students will share their adventures at Town Hall from 12:45-1:05. All parents are invited to join!

Your child has been placed in a multi-age group during the afternoons. Look on the following page to find your child's group placement. To ease parent volunteer needs we have placed siblings in the same groups. Students will continue to have early release on Fridays with pick-up at 1:10. Monday-Thursday students need to be picked up between 3:10-3:15.

We are looking for parents, Monday-Friday from 11:30-12:20, to eat and play with their children during lunch and recess. We will also need parent chaperones and drivers for trips Mondays-Thursdays from 12:20-3:00 and Fridays 9-11:30. If you are able to help volunteer during June please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

**Reminders:** Please continue to pack plentiful, nutrient-rich snacks for your child. Students will often be outdoors during our summer session and so extra snacks are appreciated. Students will also be eating lunch outside, and need to bring their own cold, sack lunches. There will be no school lunches or access to microwaves this summer.

**P.S.** We will have a schoolwide potluck BBQ from 5-6:30 on Wednesday, June 13 at school to share food, discover volunteer opportunities, and share more about your child's summer program. Please invite new 2018-2019 families to join! We look forward to seeing everyone there!

June 11-29 Schedule

	Columbine	Indian Paintbrush	Pagosa Skyrocket	Larkspur
Monday 12:30-3:00	Art	Exploring Culture and Creativity through Cooking	Hand in Hand: Wellness and the Arts	Outdoor Adventure
Tuesday 12:30-3:00	Garden Ed.	Art	Outdoor Adventure	Exploring Culture and Creativity through Cooking
Wednesday 12:30-3:00	Outdoor Adventure	Garden Ed.	Exploring Culture and Creativity through Cooking	Hand in Hand: Wellness and the Arts
Thursday 12:30-3:00	Hand in Hand: Wellness and the Arts	Outdoor Adventure	Art	Garden Ed.
Friday 9:00-11:30	Exploring Culture and Creativity through Cooking	Hand in Hand: Wellness and the Arts	Garden Ed.	Art

Your student \_\_\_\_\_ is in  
 \_\_\_\_\_ group.

Please, plan and pack according to the group your child will be in.

## *June Session Class Descriptions*

### **Exploring Culture and Creativity through Cooking**

Students will gain an understanding of their own and others cultures through cooking experiences, recipe creation, journaling and sharing food. Throughout the month students will learn about healthy eating and world cuisine while taking risks and expressing creativity through team and individual projects relating to food.

Families are encouraged to share their own cultures through recipes, cooking demonstrations, videos or books that can be brought in by family members or students. Contact Emily for more information on how to help at [emurphy@ppos.co](mailto:emurphy@ppos.co).

### **Garden Education**

Students will observe life cycles and changes in the garden as the summer season progresses. We will be working on the small, raised garden beds at the school as well as at Mrs. Bruno's 1/8 acre organic garden at her property on Meadows Drive (3 miles from school).

On the days that students will be in the garden they will need: close-toed shoes, gloves (optional), sun hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, water bottle, and snacks.

Students will be learning about irrigation needs of plants, weeding and harvesting techniques, as well as marketing the produce.

Depending on production, we are hoping the students will be able to have a small "farmers' market" at the after school pick-up or maybe set up a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) model where families purchase a box of produce each week. Each afternoon spent in the garden, students will do: garden-inspired crafts, eat and prepare healthy snacks, and learn about how to grow food in our arid, high elevation environment.

### **Outdoor Adventures**

Join Ms. April and Ms. Johnson as we explore the outdoor areas around Pagosa. We will be traveling by foot. Students need sturdy closed toe walking shoes, a sun hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, water bottle, snacks and an extra layer preferably a rain jacket or windbreaker. In this class students will be practicing hiking skills, experience Leave No Trace ethics, and play outdoor games. We need parent volunteers to help transport students to our local hiking trail heads and join us on our adventures.

### **Hand in Hand: Wellness and the Arts**

Together, Wellness and the Arts, make for a healthy and expressive student. This class will start with Kids Yoga taught by Sabra Lopez for an hour. The next hour and a half students will have workshop choices of Expressive Arts like Photography, Singing/Songwriting, Music, Movement, Pottery, Weaving, and Hand Crafts.

### **Art Explorations**

Students will continue their artistic journey through introductions to some of the worlds most influential artists. Students will navigate worlds of shapes, style, culture and science by hands on application of collaborative and individual art projects. June art projects will be: June 11 - 15 Jackson Pollock and what *is* abstract art? I will read "Action Jackson" and present Mati and Dada's "Jackson Pollock" then students will create their own large scale Pollock drip painting outside. Make sure your student wears OLD clothes this week for they *will* get water based paint on themselves. June 18 - 22 Leonardo da Vinci The Renaissance Man~Artist, Thinker, Inventor. We will discuss how Leonardo da Vinci combined art, with science, engineering and invention. We will read "Leonardo's Horse" and will be creating catapults and airplanes. June 25 - 29 Pablo Picasso. I will read "The Three Musicians, a book inspired by Pablo Picasso then students will isolate geometric shapes to collaboratively collage a large scale Three Musicians multimedia piece.