



Village Voice

October 2011

Mayors Memo

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Upcoming Events:

Friday 10/14

Parent Date Night

6:30-9:30

Thursday 10/20

Lights on

**Afterschool
Night! @ 6:30**

Friday 10/28

Trunk or Treat

This Months Themes:

Harvest Time

World Changing Inventions

Fall Frolics

National Heroes Week



We have lots to talk about this month in the Village! Parents get ready! The Village is having their first **Parent Date Night** of the new school year! That's right, on Friday, October 14th, don't worry about picking up your child until 9:30pm! We are opening up our doors in order to give you some time all to yourself. All you need to do is sign up at the parent's table in the Village. Your kids are even allowed to bring friends that do NOT regularly come to Rainbow Station! All they have to do is to fill out a registration paper and submit a current physical. Each child is required to bring \$15 worth of school supplies for payment. For more information, see attached flyer or come talk to us at the Village. Our 3rd annual **Lights on Afterschool Night** is scheduled for Thursday October 20th 2011 from 6:30-8pm. What a great night for fun, friends and awareness! We hope to see you there! This night will also act as The Village's Back to School Night, so come prepared with any questions you might have! Our 3rd annual **Trunk or Treat** event is going to be Friday, October 28th from 7-10pm. Join us for food, fun, safe trick or treating trunk to trunk, contests, prizes, music and more! It's going to be a "spooktacular!" time! Halloween fun doesn't stop there! The very next night, Saturday, October 29th, Rainbow Station is opening up our back yard for a **movie under the stars!** We will have different food vendors here for your convenience and will offer the chance to watch a family movie, outside on the big screen! Don't forget to bring your own blankets, towels, chairs, etc. More details to come so make sure to watch out for them!

We are now a month into the new school year and the students are really getting the "hang" of the Village program. To help reinforce all that your student is learning about the Village Afterschool Program please remind them of the following:

- Licenses are your child's responsibility. Should they lose it, they lose their choice in the afternoon. (a replacement license may be purchased for \$3.00). Please encourage them to take care of them, move them as they change centers and place them inside their lockers as they go home each night.
- Homework time is quiet time. Students

1st grade and up receive 30 minutes of guided homework daily. Please remind your child that even if they do not have homework they must be respectful of friends that do and should take this time to read or do an alternate quiet activity.

- Center time starts at 5pm. Sometimes we do not get our first choice and may have to wait a little while for space to open up in a center we really want to go to. We alternate who chooses first for center time each day.

I am looking forward to a fantastic October!

Kristie Kirby, Village Mayor



Village Values:

Teaching Your Child Respect

In Dr. Robyn J. A. Silverman's article, 10 Tips on Teaching Respect to Children; You Can't Get It If You Don't Give it, she states, Teaching Respect takes patience, time, and a willingness to rear a respectful child, and only moments to fill one with anger and disrespect. Which one do you choose? Children will take their cues from you. If they are around respectful adults, they are more likely to show respect, however, when they are around disrespectful adults they are more likely to show disrespectful behavior. When you speak to a child with respect they learn respect. When you speak to them with disrespect they learn that as well. Dr. Silverman suggests 10 Tips on Teaching Respect: Model, Expect, Teach, Praise, Discuss, Correct, Acknowledge, Understand, Reinforce, and Reward!

Just as personal note: Saying THANK YOU, PLEASE, YOU'RE WELCOME, and I'M SORRY . . . are full sentences too. I always try to make sure I am "checking myself" when speaking to a child, adult, community worker, friend, co-worker . . . It really does make a difference to MODEL! Hope you all have a GREAT month respecting each other! See you next time.

-Susan Dobes, Curriculum Specialist



Artist of the Month!



October's Artist of the Month is Evie C.
Come by the Art Gallery to check out her work!

Congratulations Evie!

Parents' Night Out

FAQs:

1. What is Parent's Night Out?

- PNO is an opportunity for the parents to keep their children at Rainbow Station for a fun filled night with their friends and teachers while you get to have some time to yourself.

2. Do I have to pick up before PNO?

- NO! :) At PNO, you are free to leave your children here all afternoon, until the 9:30pm pick up time, but you do need to sign up for it at the parent's table at the front.

3. What will my children be doing?

- At PNO we provide dinner as well as lots of fun games and activities that your child will love!

4. They can "bring a friend?"

-Yes! Your child is invited to bring one non-rainbow station friend between the ages of 5 and 14 to participate. All they need to do is fill out a Rainbow Registration Form and bring a copy of their latest physical.

5. How much does this cost?

-We only ask you to donate \$15 dollars worth of school supplies, which will be used for your child's regularly scheduled HW time. See attached flyer for more info.



Nurses Note: Helpful Reminders



Hello parents!!

Thank you so much for helping me get all of your records up to date back in Get Well Place. As we embark on the new season, with it comes new viruses! **HAND WASHING** is the best defense!

I will be circulating around the classrooms making sure hand washing is done correctly. You all can help at home as well. One of the best ways is to have the child sing "Row Row Row your boat" the whole way through before they finish washing. Also turning the sink knob off with a paper towel.

Please also understand that most of the time a rash or symptoms show up after the virus has already passed its most contagious period. We are moving to the positive and stopping these critters in their tracks.

Please please make sure you are not masking a fever with medications and sending your kids to school. That's what I am here for. Temperatures must be less than 100 degrees for 24 hours **WITHOUT** fever suppressing medications. When in doubt come see me to check it out!!

Erica Vaughan RN BSN

Nursing Coordinator

October Birthdays



Isabella G.	1st	Mackenzie L.	21th
Kayla T.	15th	Matthew L.	22nd
Matthew H.	17th	Derek W.	25th
Chad B.	17th	Hannah S.	27th





Corey Corner:

Just a little bit about Habit #1: Be Proactive!

What does it mean to “be proactive?” Basically, being proactive means thinking and acting ahead. It's a great method for avoiding more work down the road but also can be extremely important for averting disasters, planning well for the future and for making every part of your life that much easier! Teaching this to children will help them become more proactive and less reactive. However, children won't just begin to become proactive, it starts with their environment! Here at Rainbow Station, we are providing them with a language rich environment that consists of daily implementations and verbal use of all the habits. Try to start using it at home too, role modeling this for the children won't just help them, it will assist you too! -Kristie Kirby, Village Program Director



Trivia Time!!!

Question: How can your child bring a friend to Parent's Night Out?

Email answers to kkirby@rainbowstationhaymarket.org.

The first person to email the correct answer wins a \$15 tuition credit!



Join us for a spooky good time
Friday Night October 29th @ 7pm
TRUNK OR TREAT 2011!!!

And then again on
Saturday Night October 30th for a movie under
the stars!



Parent Reminders:

- The Village now opens at 6:30am!
- Late pick up fees apply after 6:30pm.
- Breakfast will be served 7am-7:45am in the Village.
- Remember to check your parent folder located below the sign in/out computer daily for important information.
- All students will be issued a drivers license for the new school year. Please encourage your child to be responsible with his/her license and place it on their locker daily at pick up time. If your child's license becomes lost a new one will be issued and \$3.00 will be billed to your account.
- Please remember that food may not be brought from home unless approved by the Director for reason of religious preference or allergy.
- Rainbow Station at Haymarket cannot refrigerate or heat any food items brought from home. Please send an ice pack or insulated container for your child's warm or cold meal.
- Games and toys may not be brought from home unless for a special day or event announced by the Village Director. On special days games brought from home must be rated E for everyone and labeled with your child's name.
- Students **must** have a **YELLOW** Rainbow Station Haymarket FIELD TRIP T-SHIRT to attend any field trips with Rainbow Station. You can purchase these online at www.rainbowstationhaymarket.org