













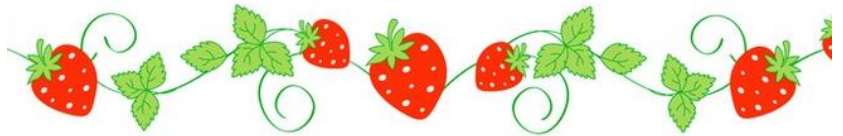
North Star Newsletter

September 18th – 29th, 2023

DAILY SCHEDULE: 3:00-3:15 Check-In & Round-up 3:00-5:00 Snack 2:30-5:00 Free Play/Child Led Activities 3:30-4:00 Activity I 4:00-4:30 Activity II 5:00-5:30 Clean Up 6:00 Close		HELPFUL INFORMATION Site Phone: 504-4557 Office Phone: 296-2880 Email: northstar@childrens-choice.org Financial Assistance Available: (505) 827-7499 or 1-800-832-1321 or by email at child.care@state.nm.us	REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: We are looking for CQI members for this year's team. If you are interested please email northstar@childrens-choice for more information! Homework club has begun if you would like to sign your child up, please see a staff member during pick up for a contract.		
MONDAY 09/18	TUESDAY 09/19	WEDNESDAY 09/20	THURSDAY 09/21	FRIDAY 09/22	
Dungeons with Owen  Flag Football Tournament with Adrian	Sensory Bottles with Katelyn, Audrey and Alexandria  Dot Art with Marisa	Campus Clean Up with Andrea  Dodgeball Tournament with Alec	Four Corners with Daisy  Sugar Cookies from Scratch with Juanita	The Magic of Music with Savana  Third Grade Club with Elliot and Claire	
MONDAY 09/25	TUESDAY 09/26	WEDNESDAY 09/27	THURSDAY 09/28	FRIDAY 09/29	
Magic the Gathering Club with Owen  Flag Football Tournament with Adrian	Shrinky Dinks with Katelyn  Messing with Loose Parts with Marisa	Kinder Club with Andrea  Dodgeball Tournament with Alec	DIY Orange Juice with Daisy, Cassidy and Avery  Band-Aid Tag with Juanita	Anything is a Drum with Savana  Third Grade Club with Elliot and Claire	

The Discovery of Chocolate and Strawberries

We made chocolate covered strawberries. It was really fun and what made it special was that for some kids it was their first time trying and making chocolate covered strawberries! Mariah said, "It's healthy because of the strawberry." Kenzie added, "But the chocolate is what makes it fun!" The process was simple and many kids were able to make more for their friends. Lucy said "It was really easy to melt the chocolate and dip the strawberries. The hard part is cleaning up a ton of chocolate!" We lost a few spoons in the process of scraping chocolate off the bowls. Joseph saw us cleaning up and asked, "Why does the old chocolate look melted, but its stuck?" Andrea explained that chocolate cools to whatever form it was left in. Joseph then advised, "So, we need to warm the bowl up again to get all of it out!" This was a genius idea that saved the day and our bowls!



A Day in Photos

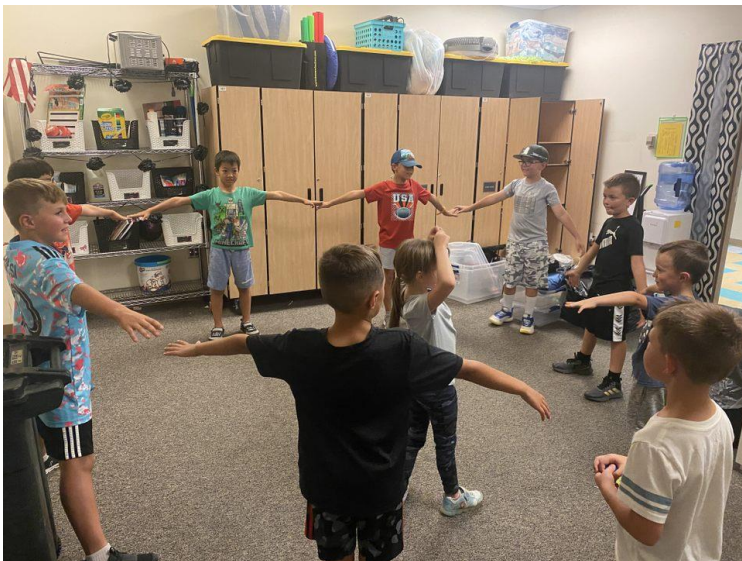
Our community is so proud of the older girls who are a part of our Older Kids Club. Andrea, their club leader, asked all of them how they would like to contribute to making our community better. Kalisi said, "I think the different areas could be organized better." Emma suggested that, "Each week we could work on one area and make some changes" We want to keep the areas extra nice, so that other kids will want to do the same," explained Ellodie. If you see them working hard this week give them a shout out!



Avery, pictured right, made quick use of the new pipe cleaners in the Art Area. She created these cool glasses, but Advised, "They actually don't help you see better, but they make you look better! She inspired lots of other kids to make the pipe cleaners the most popular item in the Art Area for the day!



Yesterday Mack and Juanita were messing around playing tetherball, not really following the rules, because neither one of them knew much about it. Asher, who is an expert at tetherball, saw them playing and joined in. He offered to teach Mack and Juanita how to play! Asher taught them the basics and then Mack played a few rounds with Asher, which was awesome! You could see both of the boys were enjoying playing the game and making a new friend!



Yesterday Juanita ran a Core Workout activity with the kids. The kids had a lot of energy and had a good time ... until they got tired and hungry. Lachlan led the warmup section on his own, teaching the kids a little bit about why it was important to stretch before doing any physical activity and encouraged the kids to not quit. We had kids of all levels join. For her next workout activity, Juanita said, "I want to improve it by having different levels so newer kids don't get discouraged by more experienced kids, while still challenging the veteran players."

