











# JOHN BAKER CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Staff Directed Activities, Field Trips, Enrichment Clubs, Games, And Special Events & More!

## September 18<sup>th</sup>- September 29<sup>th</sup> 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>18</p> <p>Super Soccer w/ Chris</p>  <p>OKC Meeting 3:30</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Zumba w/ Bree</p> <p>Monotone Drawing w/ Chris</p> <p>Marshmallow Towers w/ Jordan &amp; Jayden</p> <p>(JB Chorus Begins)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Chalk Art w/ Malia</p>  <p>OKC Meeting 3:30</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Squeeze that Sponge! w/ Bree</p>  <p>Cookin' w/ Carmen</p> <p>Fire Drill @ 5pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Noodleoop Tag w/ Owen</p> <p>Foil Art w/ Bree</p> <p>POPCORN FRIDAY!</p> 
<p>25</p> <p>Scavenger Hunt Bingo w/ Carmen</p> <p>Ooooh! Origami! w/ Seth</p> 	<p>26</p>  <p>Foxes &amp; Wolves w/ Bree</p>  <p>Wire Jewelry Making</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Kinetic Sand w/ Malia</p> <p>Giant Crab Soccer w/ Carmen</p>  <p>CQI MEETING 6:00</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Giant Connect 4 w/ Seth</p>  <p>Salt Paint w/ Bree</p>	<p>29</p> <p>OKC Fieldtrip Juan Tabo Library 3:00-4:30</p> <p>Jump Rope Fun</p> <p>Magic the Gathering w/ Owen</p> 

### Helpful Information:

Please call or text us when your child will be absent.

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# Baker Broadcast

Children's Choice news, events & announcements.

## Discovering the Magic of Geometric Bubbles

Have you ever marveled at the delicate beauty of soap bubbles? Those iridescent orbs that seem to float effortlessly through the air can captivate the imagination of both young and old. But have you ever wondered if there's more to bubbles than meets the eye? In our activity, we explored the fascinating world of bubbles.

Bubbles, by nature, tend to form spherical shapes due to surface tension. However, by introducing geometric shapes into the mix, we can create a captivating array of unusual and visually stunning bubbles. The secret lies in understanding how these shapes affect the bubble's structure.



**Square Bubbles:** When a square frame is dipped into soapy water and gently lifted, it forms a square bubble. The corners of the square minimize the surface area, which results in a square shape.



**Hexagonal Bubbles:** Hexagonal bubbles are created using a hexagonal frame, and their six sides minimize surface tension.



# Older Kids Club (OKC)

Kids in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and older have a special role in our community. They serve as leaders, creating curriculum, community service projects, field-trip ideas, and much more. But making decisions can sometimes be complicated. So, at Children's Choice, we use sociocracy as a primary decision-making tool.

*So... what is Sociocracy?*

Alright, imagine you have a club or a group of friends who like to make decisions together, like what games to play or what snacks to have at a party. Well, sociocracy is, kind of like, a special way of making decisions in a group.

In regular groups, sometimes one or two people make all the decisions, and others might not get a chance to say what they think. But in sociocracy, everyone in the group gets a chance to talk and share their ideas. It's like taking turns and listening to each other.

Here's how it works:

1. **Circles:** In sociocracy, the group is divided into smaller circles or teams, like puzzle pieces that fit together. Each circle has a specific job or task, and they make decisions about their own job.
2. **Consent:** When a circle needs to make a decision, they talk about it and try to find a solution that everyone can agree on. They don't need everyone to love the idea, just to be okay with it. It's like when you and your friends decide which movie to watch, and you all pick one that nobody hates.
3. **Feedback:** Sociocracy also encourages people to give feedback, which means telling others how you feel or what you think about something. It helps the group make better decisions in the future.
4. **Roles:** Each person in the group might have a specific role or job. These roles can change over time, so everyone gets a chance to try different things.

Sociocracy is all about working together as a team, making sure everyone's voice is heard, and finding solutions that everyone is okay with. It's a way to make decisions that makes everyone feel included and valued in the group.

## SHINE BRIGHT LIKE A DIAMOND



Meet Natalie, one of our new kinders.

Q: Natalie, what's your favorite color?

A: All the rainbows

Q: What do you love most about yourself?

A: My 2 sisters, Alyssa and Emma.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do at CC?

A: Quiet area 'cause I like to play kitties. I also like going to the playground.



Our Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Team plays a crucial role in enhancing the quality of Children's Choice at John Baker. As a member of this team, you will have the opportunity to collaborate with members of our community dedicated to ensuring our program meets the needs of the children, families, and school.

As a CQI Team member, you will participate in team meetings to identify and discuss areas for improvement and analyzing data and trends to make informed decisions regarding quality improvements to implement changes and monitor their effectiveness.

**Our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be on Wed 9/27 @ 6:00 PM -Dinner provided-**