

## September 2018 MSCU Elementary Family Newsletter

### Dear Families

The month of September has been all about settling into our routines and getting to know our classmates. We are currently (re)learning the work cycle, lunch, and afternoon specials expectations. Be on the lookout for their notebooks coming home Friday, September 28th. This will help give you a small insight into their daily work.

\*Please note: as the weather cools down help your student make appropriate clothing choices. We will continue to play outside in wet grass and temperatures down to a 15 degree wind chill.

### Student Sound-Off

**Land and Water Forms by Mira I. B** (dictated to Mrs. Day) — On Monday we [1st and 2nd years] built land and water forms at the park in the sand. First we filled a bucket with water. Then we built islands, a gulf, a lake, and others in the sand. Last we poured the water into the spaces where the water would go! It was exciting to build the land and water forms!

**Science Experiments by Anna A-W** — On Friday's we do science with Ms. Lilly even though it's just the 3rd, 4th, and 5th years. We got two mason jars and filled one half way with hot water. Then we got another mason jar and put cold water in it. Then one person got two droppers filled with 2 red drops and two green drops of food coloring. We placed 2 drops of yellow and blue coloring at the same time 2 drops of red and green went in the cold jar. Yellow and blue went in the hot water. Colors mix better in the cold water.

**Picture Perfect by Halle Y.** — On Tuesday, September 11th everyone arrived in their finest clothes. After all, it was picture day! First we worked on our school work until about 10:30, when we walked to Burwash Park. The photographers were from Illini Studio. They make us laugh. Last, we walked back to our lovely school, changed into comfy clothes, and resumed our work. Picture day was a success!

**The Butterfly Hatched by Charlotte P-C.** — The butterfly hatched and everyone was happy! First, on the weekend the butterfly hatched and Ms. Lilly saw it. Then, the teacher put a work that is called: Part of a Butterfly out for us. Last, we let it free!!! It flew away. It was exciting!

**Leaf Study by Garrett C.** — The 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> years went to the park and collected leaves. Then we brought the leaves inside to look at them. We recorded the shape and veins. We put all the leaves in the middle and looked at three leaves and recorded them. The leaves were all different colors like purple and pink and red.

### Burwash Park by Lenny Z. and Jon C.

– We go to Burwash Park on Fridays. First, we explain the rules like no going on the hill without a teacher. Next, we play on the fake mountain and swings. Going to Burwash Park is fun and cool!

**Morning Work Time by Liam S.** – Every morning we start worktime. First, we start with math or language. Next, we do cultural studies. Last, we clean up. Sometimes trying to get all your priorities done is stressful, but enjoyable. My favorite is cultural studies.



Studying Land and Water Forms at Burwash Park.