Learning Outside of School

Turn everyday life experiences into learning opportunities. Children start learning from the moment they’re born. You may notice that children’s favorite question is “why”. They’re growing minds are seeking to understand everything new in their world. Parents can improve a child’s desire to learn by using experiences and moments in life as opportunities. Turn a walk or visit to the park into an opportunity to observe sights, sounds, and smells. The scientists of the world are exceptional observers. They notice the things that others miss. Teach how to use tools. Fixing a doorknob, changing the tire on the car, emptying the bag on the vacuum cleaner offer opportunities to show how things work. The explorations you share together today may inspire your child to become an engineer one day. Use the changing seasons an opportunity to talk about patterns that happen all the time and pose questions why. The questions don’t have to be answered. The questioning itself will grow the curiosity that drives future learning. Use opportunities at home to turn everyday life into teaching.

Reading Strategy #1

Take a picture walk. Before jumping into reading, have your child look through the book. The short time spent taking an initial look will help stir interest in the story and help comprehension as they read. Try it.

Family Council

Next Week’s movie night will have an added part... Craft Centers! The Lutheran church will be running craft centers in the hallways of the school before the pizza is served. There is no cost to participate. The Family Council has decided to run a Mackinac Island fudge sale starting the 23rd. Each box of fudge sold will create $72 of profit. The money generated will be used to pay for additional field trips for this school year. The next Family Council meeting is Thursday, December 3rd at 5:30. Please join us. Everyone is welcome.

November Dates

Conferences...November 12, 13, & 16
Book Fair...November 12-17th
Culver's Night...November 17th
Craft & Movie Night...November 20th
Mackinac Fudge Sale begins...November 23rd
Thanksgiving Break...November 25-29th