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Dear Families,

It's time to get ready for summer! This newsletter is full of information for the summer – please read it carefully and ask us if you have questions. Your children's teachers will also be giving you classroom specific information about swimming and water play – please be on the lookout for that as well.

If you haven't been with us before in the summer, there are a few things you can expect. One, you can expect us to increase the amount of water play. Two, you thought we got messy before? Just wait for the summer! Three, our Mountain Lion class will start taking field trips to exciting locations around town. Lastly, class swim and swim lessons will begin.

We will begin our class swim for Owls and Mountain Lions on Tuesday, May 28th and for Coyotes, Roadrunners and Geckos on Wednesday, May 29th. The Mountain Lion class will swim everyday in the afternoon. The Gecko, Coyote and Roadrunner classes will swim Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The Owl class will swim Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Our Javelina, Cottontail and Quail classes will not be able to participate in the class swim. Class swim is intended to be safe, fun and refreshing. We will have a certified lifeguard and your child's teachers at the pool during swim time. Although children will not receive swim lessons during this time, we will discuss pool safety at length and you should expect their comfort in the water to improve. We take water safety very seriously and only permit children in the pool who listen well and follow each safety rule. This swim program costs \$35 for the summer for preschool children and is included in the weekly \$14 activity fee for Mountain Lions.

Children participating in the class swim must bring in a swim suit and towel. We also suggest bringing sandals to wear back and forth to the pool. **We actually ask that preschool children come dressed in their swim suits each swim day and bring underwear and shorts to change into after swimming.** This will help us immensely! As you can imagine, getting a class of young children changed with sunscreen applied is a huge task. You can simplify this task by doing the following:

1. Send the clothes to be changed into to school in a bag.
2. Label the bag and all clothes your child wears on swim days – this includes swim suit, towel, shirt, socks, underwear, shorts, and dresses.
3. Did we mention to label everything? Our teachers are not magicians. When your children leave their clothing throughout the classroom the only thing that saves us is when **kind, thoughtful and generous parents** have taken the time to label their child's clothing. ***Please!***
4. Be patient if something turns up missing. We try extremely hard to ensure nothing is lost, but, we know something will be misplaced at some point. Accept our apology in advance. ***Please!***

**We will be closed May
27th for Memorial Day!**

**We will be closed July 4th
for Independence Day!**

There is a swim permission form attached to this newsletter. Please sign and return. Your signature will give your child permission to swim and for us to apply sunscreen. We will use our own sunscreen – please do not send any to Outer Limits, however, we do ask that you apply sunscreen prior to coming each day.

Let's Review.....

Classroom

Cottontail, Quail, Javelina

Owl

Gecko

Coyote

Roadrunner

Mountain Lion

Swim Time

Not Available

Tuesday and Thursday @ 9:30

Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 9:45

Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 10:30

Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 9:00

Everyday in early afternoon

A note about pool safety. The times listed above are when your child goes to the pool to swim. They are not suggested arrival times. We hope you will bring your child at least 15 minutes before their swim time so we can ensure he/she is ready to swim on time! We know sometimes you will forget to send your child in a swimsuit and we will help with that; however, teachers will not be able to leave the pool to help your child change if you arrive during swim time. Please understand we want teachers to remain in the pool area to ensure a safe swimming.

Swim Lessons

We will start swim lessons the week of June 3rd. All children in the Javelina class and older are able to sign up for swim lessons. Swim lessons cost \$45 for 4 weeks of lessons. They will be 25 minutes long and occur 2 times per week. Depending on the child's age and ability, class sizes will range from 5-8 children with 2 instructors. We typically schedule them for Tuesday and Thursday mornings for 2-5 year olds and Monday and Wednesday before lunch for Mountain Lions. Please ask us for the lesson registration form if you are interested.

Mountain Lion Field Trips

Our Mountain Lion class is the only class that goes on field trips. We will go bowling, tour Colossal Cave, learn martial arts and have great fun doing many other things. We love having parent volunteers; however, siblings are not permitted. We will not take anyone who does not have signed permission on our weekly permission form, so please double check to ensure you sign every week. As a reminder, field trips are a required part of our program and children must attend their assigned field trip if attending that day.

As the school year winds down we are happy to arrange conferences with your child's teacher to discuss how the year went. Please let us know if you are interested in this and we will coordinate a time that works for all of us.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us each day. We're looking forward to a fantastic summer. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Blanca, Minnie & Bill

Sunscreen & Swim Permission Form

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Child(ren)'s Name(s): _____

Sunscreen

Outer Limits will provide sunscreen throughout the summer months for children. We request that families apply sunscreen in the morning prior to arriving at Outer Limits. Children and teachers will then apply sunscreen throughout the day as appropriate.

My signature below gives permission for Outer Limits School staff members to apply sunscreen (any brand) on my child.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Swim

We are fortunate to have a swim program at Outer Limits. We know it is a tremendous benefit to the children. The program is very costly to administer. To help pay the cost of lifeguards, extra teachers and pool chemicals there is a swimming fee of \$35 per child for each child participating in the Owl, Gecko, Coyote and Roadrunner classrooms. The swimming fee for Mountain Lions is included in the \$14 per week activity fee. Swim lessons are an additional fee.

The Parent/Guardian, on behalf of the Child, hereby releases and forever discharges Outer Limits School and its employees or agents from any and all liability arising in law or equity as a result of the Child participating in the Outer Limits School swim program. Nothing in this release shall release Outer Limits School or its employees from gross negligence.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date