



COME AND PLAY AT SEA!!



April 6, 2009

Dear Parents,

Even though it's may be chilly outside, summer is just around the corner! It is time to start thinking about what your children will be doing for the first 6 weeks of summer. Saint Edmund's Academy offers a fun-filled, educational program targeted to engage and excite children ages 3-10. The program begins the week of June 8th and runs Monday-Friday through July 17th. Camp hours are 8am-6pm. Flexible hours and days are also available. Fees are \$250 a week and \$50 per day. This is an affordable and fun way to allow your children the opportunity to learn, grow, play, and interact with other children within their age groups. I encourage you to sign up quickly because as days and weeks fill we will no longer accept applicants! Please fill out the attached form and return it to with your \$100 deposit. You still have time to qualify for the free T-shirt (offer ends April 18th)!!! Remember, this program is not limited to SEA students, so please pass this email along to any friends, neighbors, or relatives who may be interested!

This year we plan to offer a variety of activities to stimulate your child's imagination. Check it out below!

Thank you,
Kathleen Michali
SEA Camp Director



During week one, *Super Sleuths*, Students will participate in scavenger hunts, obstacle courses, and science projects that encourage them to question why things are, and challenges them to problem solve in order to come to conclusions. We will grow sugar crystals, learn about the characteristics of hot air, learn how birds and airplanes fly, and make copies of our fingerprints among other things. Each day will be a new adventure that opens new doors to the world around us.

During this week, we will read age appropriate mystery books such as the hilarious, *Grandpa's Teeth* by Rod Clement and *The Robbery at the Diamond Dog Diner* by Eileen Christelow to name a few.

To end this week, students will be taking a trip to the Carnegie Museum of Science to explore, tour, and have lots of fun!



During the second week of camp, *Lights! Camera! Action!*, children will make their own costumes, participate in a talent show and sing alongs, play charades, and see their favorite camp counselors put on a hilarious performance that is sure to please. We will read fairytales and plays throughout the week in preparation for the performance of *The Princess and the Pea* at the Apple Hill Playhouse.



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During Week 3, *Nature's Masterpiece*, students will explore the world around them. We will learn about recycling and reusing things that we might have thrown away. We will also do an experiment called "Reverse Gardening" where we plant a garden of "garbage" to see what happens. The students will learn what it means to be biodegradable and the importance of recycling. We will look at pollution and discuss what we can do to help save our planet. We will explore the symmetry of a butterfly's wings. At the end of the week, we will be visiting The Succop Conservancy where we will participate in two learning activities specially designed for the young mind. We will enjoy a picnic lunch followed by a beautiful day exploring the conservancy.



During Week 4, *Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue*, we will learn about some important events in history. In this week, our literature selections will have special importance. Some of the books we will read include: *Henry's Freedom Box* by Ellen Levine, *George Washington's Teeth* by Deborah Chandra, and *The Little Chapel that Stood* by A.B. Curtis. Children will create Fourth of July crafts that are sure to please during the weekend's festivities. At the end of the week we will visit the Mead-Wycroft Rockshelter and Conservancy.



During the fifth week of camp, *Clever Creations*, students will explore how different things are made. We will make play-doe, clay creations, salt art, Stone Soup, candy, caramel apples... the possibilities are endless, and if they name it, we can do it! The students will also be given a variety of different materials to make something original to them! This is sure to be a fun and exciting week.

During this week, we will make books about ourselves, write recipes (with help!) about how to make our favorite ice cream sundaes, and enjoy all of the products of our creations! To end our week, we will be touring the Sherm Edwards Candy Factory in Trafford. This is a week that is sure to please children of every age group!



During week 6, we will learn about the different super heroes from around the community. We will have visits from firefighters, police officers, doctors and nurses, as well as a veterinarian. Children will learn about each profession from a first hand point- of-view. We will also celebrate our inner super hero by dressing up as our favorite super hero for an end of the week party. We will be visiting a local fire station during this week.



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Registration is easy! Simply fill out the form below, check off the session(s) you are interested in, and send it back to us with a \$100 non-refundable deposit. E-mail kathleenmichali@stedmunds.net for more information!

Child Name: _____

Address: _____

D.O.B. _____ shirt size _____

Week 1: Super Sleuths (*June 8 - June 12*) ~ It's time to put on the thinking caps and work together. Campers will use their logic skills as they collect clues and solve mysteries.

Week 2: Lights! Camera! Action! (*June 15 - June 19*) ~ Hollywood takes over S.E.A.! Students take center stage!

Week 3: Nature's Masterpiece (*June 22 - June 26*) ~ Breathe in the beauty of our community! You'll learn the little things that you can do to help save our planet.

Week 4: Hooray for the Red, White and Blue! (*June 29- July 3*) ~ Learn and play through America's history!

Week 5: Clever Creations (*July 6 - July 10*) ~ Explore how different things are made. You'll learn each day as we discover something new!

~Hollywood takes over S.E.A.! Students take center stage!

Week 6: Super Heroes (*July 13 - July 17*) Who are your super heroes? This week campers will spend time with super heroes in the community; law enforcement, firefighters, nurses and veterinarians.