Hi Summer Term Ellies Families,

Just wanted to let you know what we have planned for the summer fieldtrips! We will again be working with the City of Eugene and Centro Latino Americano to launch our 3rd year of the Explorer/Exploradores program! The weeks we are combined with them are noted with Exp. Before the explanation for that week!

It will be a little different than in years past as the city has asked to host a trip on week 9 so to make this work for everyone we will be having just Ellie trips on weeks 1, 2 and 8 then joint trips weeks 3-7 and week 9

Week 1—June 22nd —Ellies Only— The Raptor Center and ridgeline trail explore. We will be meeting some of the raptors and eating lunch at their facility then we will do some hiking and letterboxing on the ridgeline trail.

Week 2—June 29th & 30th —Ellies Only— Overnight at Beverly Beach camp ground on The Oregon Coast including a trip to the Hatfield science center and possibly to the sea lion caves…the children will have input as to places they want to explore. We will leave early Tuesday morning and return 5:45 Wednesday evening…packing list to follow!

Week 3—July 6th —Explorer/Exploradores— Starker Forest. This is a new adventure recommended to me by Lizzie our Mallard/Ellie summer teacher. She has been here as a child and still remembers it fondly! The morning with be filled with learning about forest sustainability and the afternoon will be spent exploring! It’s up Corvallis way

Week 4— July 13th —Explorer/Exploradores— Rock Climbing on the Skinner’s Butte Column’s with the City Staff…then in the afternoon off to water play probably at Dexter lake.

Week 5—July 20th —Explorer/Exploradores— Mary’s house in Fall Creek. I live on little fall creek on 6 acres with dogs, cats, horses and crawfish to catch in the creek. This is the kid’s favorite!

Week 6—July 27th —Explorer/Exploradores— Shotgun creek recreation site outside of all an old fashioned swimmin’ hole…It is a crowd pleaser!!!

Week 7—August 3rd —Explorer/Exploradores— Raft the Willamette from Springfield to the Riverhouse with lunch at Alton Baker Park. Lead by the City of Eugene

Week 8— August 10th & 11th —Ellies Only— Overnight to Oaks Park and we will be camping this year at a brand new campground Milo McIver St. Park! The kids just love Oaks Park and Dave and I are looking forward to a new campground to explore!!! We will leave early Tuesday set up camp then go to Oaks Park until closing. We hang at the campground on Wednesday and return to Moss Street by 5:45pm.

Week 9—August 17th —Explorer/Exploradores— Canoeing at Clearlake

As always if you have any questions about what we have planned let me know!

I’m so looking forward to a fun filled summer!!!

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