Welcome Jay Room Summer Families,

I’ve planned some new and exciting fieldtrips for the jays this summer and just wanted to let you know what will be happening on Fridays through the 8 week session!

All trips are on Fridays for the Jays.

Week 1, June 25th--Science Factory exhibit hall in the morning and then to Emerald park to picnic and play in the afternoon.

Week 2—July 02--Leaburg Dam tour in the morning and a picnic and park explore including the fish hatchery in the afternoon.

Week 3—July 09--Shotgun creek recreation area outside of Marcola. This is a wonderful park I have been taking children to for years. It has trails, playground, covered eating space and an old fashion swimmin’ hole where the children play on the beach and wade…a wonderful woodland setting!

Week 4—July 16--My house in Fall Creek. I live on Little Fall Creek on six acres with dogs, cats, horses and crawfish to catch in the creek. This is the kid’s favorite!

Week 5—July 23--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 6—July 30--McDowell Creek This is a very kid friendly hike with 3 beautiful waterfalls to explore…it’s said that fairies live here and we have had our share of adventures with them when we go here!!! I have been taking young children (I first came here with preschoolers) here for over 10 years and it never loses its magical appeal!

Week 7—Aug 06--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 will be filled with learning about forest sustainability and the afternoon will be spent exploring! It’s up Corvallis way.

Week 8—Aug 13--Enchanted Forest…always an enchanting way to end the 8 week summer session! In Salem.

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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