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Uxbridge Extended Day

A program of the Uxbridge Public Schools
Kindergarten Kid's Club, Taft Kid's Club and Whitin EXTRA
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Monthly Report –April 2008

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Enrollment: Taft: one family left- 5 new families registered
Kindergarten: one family left, two new family
Whitin: one family left

Overview of Activities for April

- April 21st-Child Care closed for Patriots Day
- April 22-25 vacation-
- Kindergarten Childcare Registrations for 2008 are up to 18.

Program Activities

- Taft Kid's Club continues their "Clubs" offerings. This month the clubs offered are:
 - ☐ Cooking/Baking club
 - ☐ Cheerleading club
 - ☐ Sports/game club
 - ☐ Action figure tables
 - ☐ Mrs. B.'s Chat room
 - ☐ Computer Club.
 - ☐ Garden Club—this month it includes planting seeds, planning the growth chart and learning garden maintenance.
- Vacation week afforded all the programs an opportunity to celebrate Earth Day, by participating in a week-long series of activities using recyclables, beginning a rock-tumbling process-learning a little about nature's way of planning for the future and our responsibility as stewards of that future. The older children (pre and K didn't go) enjoyed making banners and pennants to take to the PawSox game mid week.
- At the Whitin EXTRA Program, the group turned in 38 old cell phones to the Milford Registry. That gave 30 minutes of calling cards per phone to soldiers overseas. This was long term collection effort on the part of the children. They will continue to accept donations of cell phones on an ongoing basis. During April this group has joined in on the health and fitness push at the middle school. They

- have been working on physical flexibility by using Yoga CD's, stretch tapes and beginning a walking program. They have encouraged the children to participate in the available sports options after school such as baseball, softball, track, and tennis. Next month the middle school group will be focusing on Agriculture. They will be planning vegetables and flowers. They will also work with the children at Taft to follow the 4-H guidelines to hatch a batch of chicks.
- The Kindergarten children have built a model farm in their block area, complete with animals, fences, a working barn and are learning a little about the process of how farms work. They have also continued their planting and gardening unit and have now extended that to learning about the importance of bees in that process. They are exploring the delights of honey and they have a collection of bee's nests from last year. This month there is an emphasis on music and singing and the children have learned a lot of new songs they enjoy singing daily.

Professional Development: Timothy Scott has earned his bachelor's degree. Emily Finnel continues her studies in Education. Matt Adams continues his studies in Education. Catie Renaud is studying studio art at Framingham State.

Upcoming Events:

- Half day May 2nd—Child Care Open at both sites.
- Closed May 26th for Memorial Day.
- 2007-2008 Brochures for grades 1-8 will be out by mid May. (pending approval of new rates)

Attached: proposed rate hikes for 08-09 school year program..