

# June 2017 Newsletter

## Classroom Activities

**K-2 Classroom:** Kindergarten through second grade students have made Father's day cards and gooey slime. They made pirate hooks and drawn pirate like things. They have also been playing Just Dance lately.



**3-8 Classroom:** In centers, they made play dough pyramids and they worked together to make cup and Popsicle stick towers. They did a drawing contest and the winners were Grady, Megan, and Ms. Johnson. They made a pirate ship and time capsules with boxes and other materials.



Written by: Grady Bix



K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade students beating the heat with some ice cream that they made from scratch.

## Upcoming Events

**July 4<sup>th</sup>:** No Summer EdCamp

**July 13<sup>th</sup>:** Science Center visits

**July 20<sup>th</sup>:** Herpetology Center visits

**July 27<sup>th</sup>:** Fly Guy visits

**July 28<sup>th</sup>:** Foothills visits for a kickball game

**July 28<sup>th</sup> – Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>:** Please send your child with a sack lunch

## Upcoming Themes

**July 3<sup>rd</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup>:** Camping

**July 10<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup>:** Under the Sea

**July 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>:** Wild West

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>:** Hawaiian Luau

**July 30<sup>th</sup>- Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>:** Fairytales

Written by: Peyton Kerr

# Special Events and Activities

On Monday, June 12, EdCamp students were given a special karate lesson by the ATA. With the help of their instructors, students were able to learn the value of friendship, strength, and the perseverance to do brand new things. Students did various activities, like balancing rings while doing punches and front kicks, how to self-defend, and competed in an obstacle course. The instructors also taught the important lessons of dealing with a bully through "Black Belt Math." Everybody had a fun learning experience doing karate!



The next day, students traveled to Harkins Theatres to watch Universal's "The Secret Life of Pets." Many brought in money to purchase delicious snacks like popcorn, Icees, candy, and even nachos! Due to technological issues with the film projector delaying the movie, all students were given a free admission ticket for a future visit at Harkins. Despite the delay, all students greatly enjoyed watching the movie!

Written by: Kenneth Armstrong

## KidZone EdCamp News

- All students will now participating in water day at 8:45 am on Fridays
- KidZone fees for the 2017-18 school year will be available on ParentVUE by July 10<sup>th</sup>
- KidZone office will be closed on July 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **Follow KidZone on their new social media accounts:**



[twitter.com/KidZoneAZ](https://twitter.com/KidZoneAZ)



[facebook.com/KidZoneCommunity](https://facebook.com/KidZoneCommunity)

Written by: Alayna Peck

## In the Community

### Westgate Firework Festival

July 4<sup>th</sup> at 9pm at Westgate Music, entertainment and dinner deals are provided

### Westgate Wednesdays

July 5<sup>th</sup>  
6-7:30pm at Fountain Park  
Children can bring their swimsuits and play in the near-by splash pad. Free games, music, prizes and dancing is provided. The movie Moana will be playing on the big screen.

### 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Summer Band Concerts

July 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at Murphy Park

### 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas in July

July 8<sup>th</sup> from 10am- 4pm in Downtown Glendale

### WHAM Art Walk in Surprise

July 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Free of cost, it is a monthly art walk with unique art. Snacks and beverages will be provided for convenience.

### Kids Club National Geographic

July 25<sup>th</sup> at Arrowhead Towne Center  
Free educational games and activities will be provided

Written by: Megan Hutchinson

## Employee of the month

Desert Valley's Employee of the month for June is Ms. Pauline. Grady and Peyton interviewed Ms. Pauline to learn more about her. The questions are in blue and Ms. Pauline's answers are in black.



What do you like at KidZone?

I love meeting new friends and having fun with my friends.

What is your favorite holiday and why?

Thanksgiving is my favorite because I get together with family and eat.

What do you like to do for fun and why?

I love playing with my dogs and I love watching movies.

Tell us about your family.

The most important person in my family is my son. He works as a massage therapist and he runs a restaurant.