

VIRTUAL CHILDCARE PARENT SUPPORT SERVICES SPECIAL EDITION
SCHOOL AGE ENRICHMENT
PROGRAM (SAEP) - SUMMER
PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS PART 1



HELLO,

This summer, the School Age Enrichment Program (SAEP) has participated in several enriching project-based activities. The children have used teamwork, leadership, along with many more diverse skills and talents to create 13 projects. This two-part newsletter series is written by the school age children, and includes their reflections of the summer School Age Enrichment Program.

HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES STORY TIME VIDEOS (STV)

This summer, we produced two Story Time Videos (STV). The first is called: "All Are Welcome" by: Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman. The second STV was written and illustrated by us, the children of the School Age Enrichment Program, and is called: "All Around Town – SAEP Fieldtrip Adventure." The process of making the STVs was fun, and interesting. The first step was to write or receive a line from the short story. We practiced reading the lines together, and then it was show time! We recorded our voices reading the lines, and used our imaginations to creatively illustrate the book. Iven and Angelina both agree, that they liked the moral of the story from the book: "All Are Welcome" because every child is always welcome in the SAEP! Larsa liked writing the STV because "Every child was able to share their own ideas, and worked together as a group to create the story and the STV." Fatima said that she liked "writing "All Around Town – SAEP Fieldtrip Adventure" because we could write our own story, and draw pictures that illustrate it."

Click here to view "All Are Welcome".

<u>Click here</u> to view "All Around Town – SAEP Fieldtrip Adventure".

LET'S DEBATE!

What is a Debate? We learned that a debate is an organized argument between two opposing sides, which uses evidence to support ideas and work towards a conclusion. We debated: "Which is best: in-person or virtual learning?" We divided ourselves into two teams, and gathered evidence that was for or against these sides. Although each team raised many valid points for and against both types of learning, ultimately the winner of the debate was in-person learning! This is because the majority of children look forward to returning to learning at school, this September.

Click here to learn how to debate.

SUMMER COOKBOOK

We created a cookbook, which includes our favourite recipes. One of the delicious treats in the cookbook is: Fruit Salad! We hope that you enjoy tasting this flavourful summer dish.

MATERIALS:

INGREDIENTS:

- ¼ cup honey
- ¼ cup orange juice
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 1 lb. strawberries, quartered
- 6 oz. blueberries
- 6 oz. raspberries
- 3 kiwis, peeled and sliced
- 1 orange, peeled and wedges cut in half
- 2 apples, peeled and chopped
- 1 mango, peeled and chopped
- 2 cup grapes



DIRECTIONS:

- In a small bowl, whisk together the honey, orange juice, and lemon zest.
- Cut all the fruit, and add them into a large bowl.
- Pour the honey, orange juice, and lemon zest dressing onto the fruits, and toss them gently to combine.
- Put it into the refrigerator until ready to serve.

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WHY WE ENJOYED SAEP THIS SUMMER...

- Fatima: "I liked coming to the program because the teachers were hilarious!"
- Harnoor: "I liked creating the book-talk because the chapter book; "Afternoon on the Amazon" was fun to read!"
- Larsa: "I came to the program everyday because of the fun activities and meeting new friends!"
- Vincent: "I loved the projects in the program; especially making the Story Time Videos"
- Mohammad: "I liked to come to the program because we always chat about cool things and virtually visit fun places."