

BCLC NEWS School Age Edition

First Harvest of the Year

The School Age children had their first harvest in our school gardens. The children harvested cucumbers, radishes, and kale. Afterwards, Groups 1 and 2 used the cucumbers to make pickles and the kale to make potato and kale soup. The kids took turns peeling onions, chopping garlic, and peeling potatoes.



BCLC's Picture Day August 18th

Brochures will be available at the front desk. Please be sure your payment is completed when handing back the brochure. Be on the lookout for more information!



Literacy Race to Pie Staff in the Face

School Age staff have been encouraging the children to read throughout the summer with our annual "Literacy Race to Pie Staff in the Face." During Quiet Reading Time, the children can earn a ticket for each book they read while at BCLC. The children in Young School Age can earn a sticker during their daily Story Time by actively listening to the story their group leader reads and displaying a safe and calm body. The top readers of each group (those who have earned the most tickets or stickers) will be recognized for their efforts by receiving a Cherry Hill gift card. Most importantly, these children will also have the opportunity to pie a staff member of their choosing in the face! This year's celebration will be on the last day of summer programming:

Monday, August 31st at 1:30pm.



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Join us for a day of Corn Hole, Kan Jam, Ladder Golf, and more in Judy Bailey's honor while raising money for BCLC and other local organizations at The Judy Games! Please visit www.thejudygames.com to sign up or learn more information about this event.

Back to School Backpacks

With summer halfway over, we are gearing up for another fun school year! If you are in need of a backpack for your school aged child, Beverly Bootstraps is a great resource! They offer free backpacks filled with school supplies for school aged children.

Please see attached flyer for more information. If you are not able to go to Bootstraps to pick up a backpack, please reach out to Aimee to help coordinate pick up.



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DO YOU NEED HELP AFFORDING BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES?

Beverly Bootstraps provides free, new backpacks and school supplies to students (grades K - 12) living in Beverly, Manchester, Hamilton, Wenham, and Essex.

DISTRIBUTION DATES:

(BASED ON PARENT/CAREGIVER'S LAST NAME)

Last names A – C	Monday, August 17	4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Last names D – G	Tuesday, August 18	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Last names H – L	Thursday, August 20	4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Last names M – P	Friday, August 21	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Last names Q – Z	Saturday, August 22	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
A – Z Make-up Day	Monday, August 24	4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
A – Z Make-up Day	Tuesday, August 25	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

****DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY****

Backpacks will not be given out until all paperwork is received.

At pick up, please bring the following:

1. Identification for your children (Birth certificate, school ID, or report card)
2. Picture ID for yourself
3. Proof of Beverly, Hamilton, Wenham, Manchester, or Essex residency (mail postmarked within the last 30 days)
4. **Completed Client Update Form. Scan QR code to download >>**
****Please fill out your Client Update Form before arrival.***



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Trip to Endicott Park

In July, School Age went to Endicott Park for a day at the farm. The children took a tour of the barns and got up and close with the barn animals. Afterwards, the children walked around the pond and found a baby painted turtle. Before heading home, each class took a break at the playground to let loose and have some fun.





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Moved or changed phone numbers? Please be sure to let us know by phone or email. Thank you.



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The BCLC Educators and Staff are dedicated to the safety and wellbeing of all the children in our program. Please take a moment to get to know who we are and what we do here at BCLC. We would be happy to meet with you at any time.

Programming Hours for School Age will return to closing at 6:00pm starting September 2nd

Dear BCLC Families,

With summer fully underway, we ask that all children keep a spare change of clothes, water shoes, bathing suit, and towel at the center. With our upcoming field trips to local beaches and utilizing our splash pad daily, the children are expected to join in on the water fun! We wash the bathing suits and towels after each use, so please plan on having your child keep their water play clothes and suits at BCLC. Don't forget to label your child's belongings for easy identification.

Sincerely,
Aimee Provencher
School Age Program Director

August Field Trips



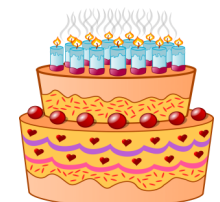
- August 4th (Tues) Group 3—Endicott Park—9:45am-12pm
- August 5th (Wed) Groups 1 and 2—Boat Trips with Sunset Salem—9am-2pm
- August 6th (Thurs) Groups 1 and 2—Saugus Ironworks—9:45am-12pm
- August 7th (Fri) All School Age Groups—Lynch Park—9:45am-2pm
- August 12th (Wed) Group 1—Project Adventure—9:30am-2pm
- August 13th (Thurs) Group 2—Project Adventure—9:30am-2pm
- August 14th (Fri) All School Age Groups—Lynch Park—9:45am-2pm
- August 19th (Wed) Group 1—Beverly Public Library—10am-11:30am
- August 20th (Thurs) Group 2—Beverly Public Library—10am-11:30am
- August 21st (Fri) Group 3—Beverly Public Library—10am-11:30am
- August 26th (Wed) All School Age Groups—Stage Fort Park—9:30am-2pm
- August 27th (Thurs) All School Age Groups—Beverly Airport—10am-1pm
- August 28th (Fri) All School Age Groups—Lynch Park—9:45am-2pm

Interested in Chaperoning a Field Trip?

We have more field trips coming up throughout the month of August, and we would love to share the fun! If you are interested in chaperoning a field trip, please reach out to Aimee or Kyle to coordinate.

August Birthdays!

Caleb 8/6
Freyja 8/18
Chloe 8/20
Ruby 8/20
Keziah 8/29
Ryan L 8/31



Important Upcoming Dates

- **August 18th (Tues)** Picture Day & Bookmobile@11:30am
- **August 29th (Sat)** The Judy Games
- **August 31st (Mon)** PreK Graduation—Last Day of Summer Programming—Literacy Race to Pie Staff in the Face Celebration
- **September 1st (Tues) BCLC Closed for Facilities Day**
- **September 2nd (Wed)** First Day of School for BPS (1st grade & up)/ School Age Program closing time changes to 6pm
- **September 4th (Fri)** BPS Closed—Full Day BCLC Programming
- **September 7th (Mon) BCLC Closed for Labor Day**
- **September 8th (Tues)** First Day of School for BPS Kindergarten and PreK

Summer Clubs

2:00pm—2:45pm

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Club 1	Bingo Club	Fitness Club	Photography Club	Cooking Club	Fun Friday
Club 2	Art Club	Jeopardy Club	STEAM Club	Strategy Club	Fun Friday
YSA Club	STEAM Club	Boardgame Club	Art Club	Jeopardy Club	Fun Friday