Dear Parents,

We have had a great first half of the year. The children had settled nicely into their academic groups after school. We have enjoyed this time with your children and have enjoyed seeing them develop their friendships. We hope that everyone has a safe and relaxing Winter break. We hope that you make some great family memories. We will see you back in Jan on the 8th rested and ready to start the 2nd half of our year.

Brevard After School Website

Don’t forget to go to the Brevard After School 21st CCLC website to get the latest information including newsletters, pictures of students completing challenges, workshop schedules and information, and updates from the Semi-Annual Advisory Board Meetings.

What you can do to promote early learning

1. Play with your child and provide opportunities for them to play. Play is essential for healthy brain development.
2. Turn off the TV. A young child’s brain is largely shaped by his/her development. Children need activities that stimulate the frontal lobe by involving all the senses, not just passive viewing.
3. Read and talk to your child. Phonemic awareness of sound comes from listening to the human voice.
4. Model the joy of learning and discovery. Go to parks, the beach, zoos and take children on walks. These types of activities stimulate early learning.
5. Connect with your child. Connections boost children’s brain potential, encourages cooperation, promotes learning and literacy, increases attention, decreases power struggles and builds loving bonds.

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