Come Play and Learn!

21st Century Afterschool Program

21st CCLC News
Thank you to all who came out in support of afterschool learning in our second annual Lights on Afterschool event. It was wonderful to see all of the caring adults and enthusiastic children make meaningful connections and explore how they support each other. During this celebration we shared ways after school programs have positively impacted the lives of Kotzebue’s youth. We read the story Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon and shared ways to believe in ourselves and to stand tall in the face of challenges. Check out our bulletin boards in the long JNES hallway to see our artwork and supportive messages.

We would like to give a BIG shout out to our new 21st Century Afterschool Program students and Staff. Ms. Helen will be returning as a Playground Aide and Ms. Carkulis and Ms. Hall will be new Afterschool Teachers. We would also like to send out warm hugs and words of gratitude to Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson. We have loved having you as part of our afterschool team this year.

Want to see more adorable learners and fun activities? Check us out on Facebook. www.facebook.com/21CCLC.SERRC
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Events

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Thanksgiving Fun Friday and Book Fair Sneak Peek
When: Friday, Nov 11
Who: All 21st CCLC students
Purpose: To encourage an attitude of gratitude while having fun and enjoying yummy treats. Early Bird special just for us on Book Fair items!

This Month’s Theme
Our theme for the months of October is Love for Children.

Elder’s Advice for teaching and practicing Piqpaksriliiq Iligaanik (Love for Children)*.

- Take time to listen to your children’s problems.
- Praise your children and young people and show respect for their good efforts.
- Be a good parent first.
- Use storytelling and stories about personal experience to teach your children.
- Teach children the importance of honesty.
- Teach children, even if they don’t seem to hear, for they will learn eventually.

*Taimakna Algaqsruutit 2015 Elder’s Advice Pamphlet

Play and Learn at Home

During our Lights on Afterschool Family Event we celebrated a Love for Children and Respect for Others through our story Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon. We learned the important role a caring adult plays in the life of a child. Molly’s grandmother encouraged her to embrace what makes her unique and to work hard. Molly helped us to see that through effort and a positive mindset anything is possible.

This month take a moment to celebrate all of the ways that you help your child to stand tall and to build resiliency, to have the courage and skills to overcome adversity. By creating a safe place where your child knows that they are loved and encouraged to do their best, they will learn to stand tall just like Molly.

We would love to hear your thoughts for encouraging a love for children at home and throughout the community. ~ Ms. Kat