

# SANTAPOGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are excited to continue to provide a number of morning programs dedicated to the social emotional development of students K-5. These programs will begin on Monday, October 16, 2023 with a start time of 7:50 am. **\*\*Please note that there will be NO transportation available for these morning programs.**

Below is a list of the 6 programs along with a description of activities:

## **Garden Club/Outdoors program (Coach Nemeth)**

**K,2 & 5 -Tuesday mornings 1,3 &4 Thursday mornings start March 2024** - Our garden/outdoor program will plan outdoor activities, set aside for the cultivation, display, and enjoyment of plants and other forms of nature. Some gardens will be for ornamental purposes only, while others also produce food crops, sometimes in separate areas, or sometimes intermixed with the ornamental plants. There could be indoor or outdoor planting.

**Puzzles/Games program** - Students will explore a variety of puzzles and board games, all designed to increase brain function, increase the ability to strategize, as well as promote teamwork and cooperation.

**K-2 (Mrs. Suchoboky) Friday mornings**

**3-5 (Ms. Crimi) Tuesday mornings**

**Get Crafty (Ms. Ingrid) (Grades K-5) Wednesday mornings** - Students will explore different crafts and engage in authentic conversations with each other. In addition, each student who participates will be able to take home a "hands on" project.

**School Newsletter (Mrs. Zamboli) (Grades 4/5 only) Tuesday mornings** - The School News Club will focus on "What's Happening" in our school communities. We will highlight the good that is happening between students and staff in a section titled, "On A Positive Note." We will inform students of the Growth Mindset for the month and suggest an activity to practice. We will include the fun PTA events to remind everyone what's happening in and out of school. The purpose of the newsletter is to keep students informed, highlight the good in the building, and promote SEL.

**Everything Legos** - Students will explore a variety of Legos, all designed to increase brain function, increase the ability to strategize, as well as promote teamwork and cooperation.

**K-2 (Mrs. Fitzgerald) Friday mornings**

**3-5 (Coach Nemeth) Wednesday mornings**

**Fitness program (K-2 Coach Nemeth Tuesday mornings)(3-5 Mrs. Borland Thursday morning-** Students will work and explore the 5 components of Fitness - Cardiovascular Endurance, Muscular Strength, Muscular Endurance, Flexibility, and Body Composition. In addition, students will develop exercise routines that they can use at home and in the future.

Please complete with a checkmark which club you are interested in and return the attached permission slip (to the Main Office of Santapogue) by **Wednesday October 4, 2023.**

**\*\*Please note that each club will only have a maximum of 20 students. Students requesting a club that is full, will be put on a waiting list.**

**SANTAPOGUE MORNING  
PROGRAM PERMISSION SLIP**  
*(Detach and return this form to the Main Office by 10/4/23)*

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Morning Program checked off below.

**\*\*please check off the program**

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**K-2 Tuesday mornings**  
**3-5 Wednesday mornings**

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

**Please provide the following information:**

Preferred Emergency Contact(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Classroom Teacher