

February 2, 2023

Hello Families of Children Enrolled in our Summer Camp and Afterschool Programs,

I am writing today to report that we will be making some exciting changes that allow us to continue to enroll children in Kindergarten **through** 4th grade in our Summer Camp and Afterschool programs. As you may recall from my previous email, the demand for school-age care has exceeded our current capacity.

Below is the current plan for how the age groups will break down for the 2023 Summer Camp and 2023-24 Afterschool Program.

- **Kindergarteners** will be in the rooms that are currently the Chipmunks and Leapfrogs on the **3rd floor of the Sweet Building**. These classrooms are part-day rooms that end at 2 pm each day and are not open in the summer. Thus, these classrooms are available for Summer Camp, and will share space with the kindergarten children who arrive at 3 pm for the Afterschool program. Next year's Chipmunks and Leapfrogs will follow the 2023-24 School District calendar, and their rooms will then be open to the school age children on the full and half days that the District is closed and PIC is open.
- **1st graders** will be in the **Stucco building** that is adjacent to the chapel. This means that the current kindergarteners who are enrolled in the Stucco for our Afterschool program will be in the same space for the Summer Camp and Afterschool programs next year.
- **2nd, 3rd and 4th graders** will continue to be in the **Aviary Building** at 43rd and Spruce Streets. With the 1st graders no longer in the building, this allows plenty of space to house the 4th graders.

While we explored many options of both enrollment and space, this solution by far outweighs all the others. We have several months to figure out some logistical challenges, all of which we know are very workable.

I applaud the teachers in the Afterschool program for their willingness to make these changes in order to best serve our community.

**We are currently accepting applications for our Summer Camp and have priority enrollment for children currently enrolled at PIC, as well as previously enrolled Camp families through March 10, 2023.** After that point, we open the Camp enrollment to the outside community.

Children currently enrolled in our Afterschool program do not need to reapply for the 2023-24 school year, However, **we do ask that families of rising 4th graders let Morgan know if your child will be attending next year. We also ask that any family who is making a schedule**

**change for next year's Afterschool program let Morgan know as soon as you know the requested schedule.** Morgan can be reached at [mjimenez@parentinfantcenter.org](mailto:mjimenez@parentinfantcenter.org).

**Families of children who will be going to kindergarten in the fall do need to enroll in the Afterschool Program for the fall.** Applications for the Afterschool Program will be available on our website as of February 17, 2023.

This means that if you plan for your rising kindergartener to attend both the PIC Summer Camp and the 2023-24 Afterschool Program, you will need to fill out an application for both.

We will be having a meeting in the spring to lay out additional details for the Summer Camp and the Afterschool Program. Until then, please reach out with any questions.

*Thank you for entrusting your children in our care.*