


# LEFFINGWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2009 – 2010 School Year

## After School Enrichment Classes

Leffingwell will be offering four after school enrichment classes during the school year. Classes will be held on Mondays after school for approximately one hour for students in grades 1-5. In order to attend classes, parents must sign their children up and pay the required fee. All classes are taught by *After-School Enrichment Program* and *Mad Science* staff members. Sign-up paperwork will be sent home with students a couple of weeks before each class begins. Information is also available in the Leffingwell office.

<p><b>Course Title:</b> Spanish Explorers</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> September 14, 21, 28 October 5, 12, 19, 26</p> <p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>Spanish Explorers is designed to allow children to explore Spanish in a fun and entertaining way. The program promotes positive participation, interest in academics, improves communication skills and healthy relationships with adults and peers.</p> <p>The program incorporates three types of learning styles: audio, visual, and kinesthetic. This is done through games, activities, and songs. Level 1 Spanish students will enjoy learning to count, identify colors and objects, memorize days of the week, verbalize vowels and consonants while learning to read as well as practice basic salutations such as “hola” and “adios.”</p> <p>Level 2 students, in addition to learning what the beginning curriculum has to offer, will expand their understanding of Latin American culture through fun facts, geography lessons and expanded vocabulary terms. In this level, students will integrate conversation and writing.</p>	<p><b>Course Title:</b> Creative Kids Studio</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 December 7, 14</p> <p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>Creative Kids Studio is an exciting after-school program designed for all kids. The program promotes self-expression, interest in the arts, decision-making skills and creativity.</p> <p>The foundation of the program is built around art basics and fundamentals such as color theory, shape and form as well as technique. Each day kids will have a short 10-15 minute lessons which will then lead up to an end of day hands on activity. All art classes are held outside or in a multi-purpose room and use washable, nontoxic paint.</p> 
<p><b>Course Title:</b> Chess Masters</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> January 25 February 1, 22 March 1, 8, 15, 22</p> <p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>Chess Masters teaches children the exciting game of chess. Playing chess encourages problem solving and analytical skills, positive self-esteem, confidence and good sportsmanship.</p> <p>This course is all encompassing, from the general rules of play to advanced tactics and strategy. The program is designed to teach not only the experienced player, but also the interested beginner. Beginning students learn all the pieces as well as check and checkmate. Intermediate and advanced level players will learn advanced level techniques and strategies to out-manuever opponents in the tournament held on the 6th week of the program. On the final day all students attend a last day chess carnival where they can play with friends of different levels, purchase items from our chess “store”, play with special character chess sets and even get to play with a giant chess set or participate in a human chess game. All participants receive a Chess Masters T-shirt and official tournament medal.</p>	<p><b>Course Title:</b> Mad Science</p> <p><b>Course Dates:</b> April 26 May 3, 10, 17, 24 June 7, 14</p> <p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>Mad Science is the world’s leading science enrichment provider. They deliver unique, hands-on science experiences for children that are as entertaining as they are educational. Mad Science is proud to introduce millions of children to a world of discovery while sparking their imagination. Mad Science encourages scientific literacy in children in an age when science is as vital as reading, writing, and arithmetic.</p> 