

## **Glenmont Learning Fair April 3rd from 6 to 8 p.m.**

The Glenmont Learning Fair, an interactive learning experience, will be held Friday, April 3, from 6 to 8 p.m. The program will start at 6 p.m. with a presentation by children's author James Preller, who will discuss his books, inspirations and share insights into the life of an author.

Students may also select two of the following additional programs to participate in after James Preller's presentation. Each program runs 30 minutes. All selections will be on a first come basis. To ensure your selections please promptly return the attached registration form to your child's teacher. Select one alternate program in the event one of your first two choices cannot be accommodated.

Parents will accompany students during the programs. Due to limited space, if you need to bring a sibling(s), please provide us with their name(s) and age(s).

Programs will run from:

6:00-6:40 p.m.

6:45-7:15 p.m.

7:20-7:50 p.m.

### **Program Descriptions**

#### **Basic Chinese**

With Susan Diehl, Chinese Instructor

An introduction to China, from Susan Diehl, formerly Zhang Xiujuan, who has been teaching children Chinese in her native China and here in the Capital District. She will teach a few phrases that children use everyday, numbers and songs that kids love. These are methods to build familiarity and comfort with the language, its sounds and rhythms, in ways that are fun and inspiring. Also, students will learn a bit about the culture and traditions of China.

She will present one program to children in kindergarten through second grade and another program for children grades third through fifth. At the end of each program the children will present a show to their parents.

#### **Bugs, Bugs and More Bugs**

With Jerry Dievendorf, Entomologist

This program will focus on insects in general and will feature a display of preserved insects from around the world including some that are big, ugly and scary, as well as exceedingly beautiful. Live specimens may be present depending on conditions and circumstances.

### **Meteorology**

With local television Meteorologist Jason Gough

Learn about the water cycle and why we have seasons. Find out what it takes to predict the weather and discuss any questions you might have about the weather.

### **Where in the World Are We?**

With Cavanaugh & Kavanaugh, Professional Musicians

An interactive program of songs and dances from around the world, often sung in those languages. Each country represented by a song is marked on a world map. Countries include Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, European countries, Russia and more. Instruments may include fiddle, mandolin, mountain dulcimer, limberjack, banjo, guitar and vocals.

### **Let's Make Music**

With Monica Seebode, Music Teacher

#### Let's Make Maracas, grades k-2

Come and join us as we make maracas from recycled film canisters. After we are finished we will use our maracas to dance, play and march to the beat.

#### Drum Circle, grades 3-5

Join us as we create an original composition using our percussion and Orff instruments. At the end of the class we will put on a performance for family and friends.

### **Spectacular Scientists**

With Chris Hall, Scientist

This program will allow the children to observe and get hands-on play time with many real laboratory materials and equipment. Topics of discussion will include the scientific method, metric weights and measurements used in the laboratory and how new medicines get from discovery to the people who use them. After a brief introduction of these topics children will have time to experiment.

### **Little Chefs**

With Jesse, from Panera Bread

Be prepared to rise to the occasion to make your own batch of Panera Bread's famous Cobblestone. In this class, the kids will prepare, mix and top the Cobblestones and then be able to take their creations home. Come join your friends from Panera Bread to make this delicious treat!

### **Unleash Your Creativity**

With Tracie from Blue Dog Arts Community

Create your own mini composition notebook and bookmark using paper, ribbon, letters, embellishments, and more! Blue Dog will teach you how to transform a simple notebook into a work of art. Artists will take home their creations to use as a journal, give as a gift, or use at school.

### **NYS Wildlife Program**

With a Naturalist from Five Rivers

Wildlife of New York State- A naturalist from Five Rivers will discuss wildlife of New York State, with lots of skulls and animal skin for display.

Learn about bears, beaver and hummingbirds. Learn how they live and hunt. See a mounted beaver.

\*Note to Parents:

- A mounted beaver and skulls will be on display.

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For more information or details, contact Cindy Dering at 439-3001 or email [jedering@aol.com](mailto:jedering@aol.com)