



Multi-Age News January & February 2012

The Best Game in the World

By Andrew
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On Fridays, the Multi Age group goes to a place called Newman hall, which is in Putney Vt.

The IN Program also goes. The IN Program is from KFC which stands for

Kindle Farm Central.

The Multi Age and the IN Program are in one group, both of the groups play Dodgeball in the same

room, we make the teams by one, two, one, two. Pete says, "You learn good sportsmanship."

Dodgeball is a game where you throw dodgeballs at people, but the dodgeballs are soft. Whatever you do, don't... and I mean don't, use hard balls, THEY WILL HURT!!!!!!

Ecosystem Work

By Kyle
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In the Multi-age class, they have science class, in which they are learning about Ecosystems. They have built a Terrarium in which there are animals and plants. Raven, the person I interviewed, said " I have planted corn, mint, cologne galabra, and I built a box. I also put wet and dry to see what type of soil the bugs like, and I put the bugs in the Ecosystem to see if the plants would grow more".

They are learning new stuff every time they do it. "Shannon has split the class in half so they are doing it at separate times" says Raven. The Ecosystem work has helped the kids in the classrooms learn about animals and plants and their environment.



Outdoor Adventures

By Jacob
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Outdoor Adventures takes place on Wednesday afternoons at Kindle farm on the Newfane-Townshend line. We make debris shelters and other survival shelters, with no tools. I particularly like it because it's a challenge.

There are 2 adults and 4



kids. The adults are Pete and Rob, and the kids are Kyle, Raven, Kain and me. Pete leads the group.

I interviewed Raven and he said his favorite thing

to do is work on the wigwam. We have recently put fresh pine branches on the roof and cleaned it out. We have fires in the wigwam and eat around them. (Which is a real treat that we have an instructor who buys us food.)

I think it is important that we learn how to build these shelters, because we might be lost someday and need to build a shelter.

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Raven and Jacob Firemaking

By Raven
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On Fridays, Adam has been teaching Raven and Jacob how to use the Hand drill and bow drill. We have a lot of tools. We have spindles, bows, fireboards and handholds.

We get stuff for a bird's nest kind of thing; it is called a bun-

dle. We use pine needles most of the time because it burns really good. Jacob says that "It is more fun with the hand drill, because it is a challenge."

Which is a technique we learned in the 2nd quarter, that was the first thing we learned.

Would you want your child to learn this technique or not?



Fire Made by Students

Winter Sports at Stratton

By Kain
Townshend, VT

In the third quarter of our school year, the Multi-age class goes to Stratton Mountain. Some snowboard, some ski. Some have to learn how to snowboard, some have to learn to ski.

If you're a snowboarder, don't forget to unclip your back foot before you get on the lift, or else if you don't... you could fall down.

For skiers, when you get on the lift, you can just go.

When you are getting ready to go, you have to stand in front of the red line



and you have to get in front of the next chair coming. If it's your first time, you should try the magic carpet; step on the red paws and it will give you length and arm space.

Math is Fun

By Nathan
Townshend, VT

After break in the Multiage classroom, the class does math in school. We have math every day on school days.

We practice multiplication, math games, addition, subtraction, division, and fractions.

The teacher expects us to show our work. I am a grade ahead in math, because I love math and because I like to count in math.

"Why do you do math?" To

learn math multiplication in school!



The Multiage classroom does math with Shannon at the Kindle farm. In math class I participate because it gets your system going. It is important to understand money and to get a job.

