



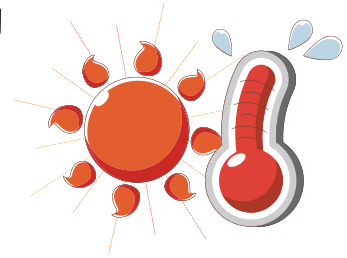
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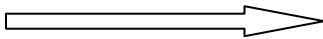
SUMMER ECOLOGY PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

August 9 - 13, 2010

ASK ME ABOUT...

Monday: Seasons. *How wonderful* that we get to experience all four seasons here at Sheldrake! This was certainly the hottest summer anyone seems to remember, and we tracked weather and temperature during the program. (Check out our daily calendar in the Potting Shed.) But we've observed sure signs of fall, such as leaves changing colors and tree seeds everywhere, like acorns, hickory and maple "parachutes."



Tuesday: Ponding. We are always so glad to see the two awesome green frogs who hang out in the Frog Pond. Here's a photo of one of the frogs we observed. 



Wednesday: Native Americans. The Siwanoy were the earliest inhabitants in our area, particularly valuing it for bountiful fishing grounds. On our trail trek, we were appreciative of the shade provided by the trees on the woodsy trail - so we gave them a hug.

Thursday: Recycling. Because the temperatures were lower, we took a nice long rambling trek around Goodliffe Pond. One of our recycling activities this summer was to re-use plastic water or soda bottles to plant beans. Just cut off the top section with scissors, fill with soil and stick in a seed. It's cool to observe root growth through the clear plastic. We also created a worm habitat out of a big plastic pretzel container! You can watch the tunnels they dig!



Friday: Nature Celebration. We took a final trail trek on this lovely summer day, one of the coolest days of the season. We gathered in a circle to share ice pops, play "Copy Cats" one last time, and remember things we observed and enjoyed at Sheldrake, including...



Trail Treks
Insects
The Woods
Millipedes
Making Friends
Birds

Mallards
The Pond
Seeds
Counselors
The Potting Shed
Dragonflies
The Field

Frogs
Ice Pops
Chipmunks
Groundhogs
Bunnies
Butterflies
Fish

Thank you for a wonderful summer! It was the best one ever! We hope your child enjoyed being with us and would be grateful if you would fill out an evaluation form and return it to the office.



Fall Programs: Hope to see you at some of our upcoming programs during the school year! Please take a look at our Fall Programs flyer - attached!

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Photo Gallery 2010:



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