



A Month Full of Celebrating

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Our students have been busy having so much fun this past month during two special celebrations that took place during program hours. On October 20, we had our site celebration, a Wizards and Wands Wonderland. Since we have used a new Harry Potter house-inspired structure here at ESE this school year, we decided to celebrate Harry Potter style. Students had the opportunity to make masks, play a kid-friendly version of Quidditch, and play bingo.

Also this month, Mohawk Trails ESE participated in a national Lights On Afterschool celebration on October 26. We had fall festival fun, where the students had a chance to dress like a Fairy Tale Furry Friend, a Prince, or a Princess. They enjoyed caramel apples. The craft for our festival used the other half of an apple as a "sponge" for sponge paint pumpkins. Lights On Afterschool is part of the Afterschool Alliance, which celebrates "afterschool programs and their role in keeping kids safe, inspiring them to learn and helping working families." This year marked the 18th year for the celebration across the nation! Mohawk Trails and all of Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation's ESE programs are proud to be a part of this. The celebrating is not over. We will kick off November with our Parent Night Out on Friday, November 3.

Students' Choice

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We are halfway through the first semester here at ESE, which means our new Activity Plans have been put into place. Our students became authors of some of our new clubs. Mohawk Trail's Got Talent, D.I.Y., and Painting With Q-Tips are three of those clubs.

For the D.I.Y. club, students will start with a make-your-own puppet. Painting With Q-Tips clubs will start with making sunset pictures. Mohawk Trail's Got Talent will start with students deciding if they would like to perform solo or with a group.

Staff is also excited about the clubs they have created. Mr. Taylor will be introducing his Space Club. Miss Summitt is bringing back her Little da Vinci club, and Miss Rex is excited to show various holiday spirit in her craft club.

