

## Sherman Oaks



April showers bring May flowers!

### Or do April showers bring Star Tests?

Star Testing is in full swing now- ending on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Remember, a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast-not one loaded with sugar-will really help to prepare you for the tests; so be sure to check out the Strawberry Mice recipe on page three!

Here at All-Stars, we are doing our part to keep all of our Stars sharp during testing. We

are continuing with our Standards Plus activities; which practice the basic test taking skills and strategies in Language Arts. We are aware that the Kindergardeners and the 1<sup>st</sup> graders do not participate in the Star Tests, however, we do practice the Standards Plus with them as well so that they will be better prepared in the upcoming years.

But don't think that we're all work and no play. We have come up with some really fun

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ways to help you to relax from all of the testing. There will be: field trips, water days, video games, and so much more- just check out this month's events!

## May Events:

May 1  
Jr. Giants Tournament

May 3 - 14  
Star Testing

May 4 @ 4:00  
Happy Birds

May 6 @ 3:15 - 6:00  
Tech Museum  
3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 7 @ 3:15 - 6:45  
Humane Society  
Field Trip

May 11 @ 3:30  
Games 2 U

May 13 @ 4:00  
Stress Free Bar-B-Q

May 14 @ 4:30  
Raffle!

May 19 @ 4:00  
College Day!

May 20 @ 4:00  
Healthy Eating!

May 28  
Teacher's In Service  
No School

May 31  
Memorial Day  
No School!

## In other All-Star news...

### We Need You!

If there are any parents who would like to go on the Humane Society field trip, please see Mrs. Saldana as soon as possible. So take a stand, and lend a hand!



### Hello, Goodbye

As most of us should be aware, this is going to be After-School All-Stars last year here at Sherman Oaks. We will be entrusting you into the hands of Learning Express. We hope that you will welcome them, just as you welcomed us; and we all know that you continue to shine like the All-Stars (and Beams) that you are.

The part that makes me not feel so sad about leaving is...if you can make sure you don't move or change houses between now and 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade- we just might see each other again at Monroe! Nevertheless, good-luck & we're going to miss you guys! And Girls!

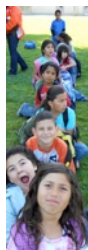
### Games 2 U

G2U. What do you mean you've never heard of it? So you mean you

didn't know that they have a van equipped with a PS3 and a Nintendo Wii?! Wow, can't believe you didn't know that. Next you're probably going to tell me that you didn't know that they are also going to bring two giant hamster balls that you get in and race against someone else. Hey, try not to get too excited, they'll be here in about 2 weeks-talk about an cool way to take your mind off of Star Testing (at least for one afternoon)!

### Ready for College?

I guess we'll see, when we go all out and test your knowledge to see just what you remember about College. This College Day is going to be the biggest yet, and the winning school will receive a large 'donation' (a special Alumni only party). Well, now that you know it's coming- I would suggest you get to studying! Oh, and did I mention, parents are invited so ask them to come! A lot of heads are better than a few!



## Daily Schedule:

### After-School All-Stars Schedule

3:00-3:15 - Snack

3:15-3:30 - Program Warm-ups

3:30-4:30 - Learning Lounge

4:30-5:00 - Sports & Fitness/Extended Learning Lounge

5:00-6:00 - Enrichment



### Kindergarten/ 1<sup>st</sup>

3:00-3:25 - Sign In/Snack

3:25-4:25 - Learning Lounge (15 minutes story time/silent reading, 45 minutes Homework)

4:30-5:00 - Sports & Fitness/Extended Learning Lounge

5:00-5:45 - Enrichment

5:45-6:00 - Sign Out

## Upcoming Events

As we approach the end of the school year- and the finale of All-Stars at Sherman Oaks; we are going to have some awesome and fun events coming up to end this school year with a bang! Here I've listed only a few, so be on the look out and remember to stay on your best behavior!

## Field Trips

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Tech Museum (3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>)  
As usual, we will be venturing to the tech museum; I wonder what we'll learn this time!

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Humane Society  
Have you been naughty or nice? Have you been shining extra bright? Unfortunately we can only take our top 50 Stars, so keep shining!

## The Usuals

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Raffle!  
You know that as the school year draws to a close, the Raffle prizes get better, AND BETTER!

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College Day!  
Bring it on. And bring your mom? That's right, you're going to need all of the brains you can get your hands on for this one! We're taking it all the way back to September! 2009!

## New & Cool Stuff!

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Games 2 You  
PS3's and Nintendo Wii's, what more is there to say? Oh, and hamster ball race!

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Water Day!  
Two lane slip-n-slides are so last year, because this year we've got 3 lanes! And there're always water balloon tosses and things of that sort, so make sure to get those permission slips signed!

## Extras...

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Happy Birds  
There will be a variety of exotic birds. There may even be a toucan; do you think his name'll be Sam?

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Healthy Eating  
It's always so exciting to learn about new foods and ways to stay healthy. With summer coming, we're going to need some extra tips!

## Summer's almost here...

And so is the season of fresh fruit! Cherries, Kiwis, Peaches, Nectarines, Strawberries, and more! But going back to the Strawberries, here's a cute recipe for you and your parents to do-especially if you are going somewhere where you have to bring some food; maybe if some friends are coming to your house; or just for fun!

### STRAWBERRY MICE

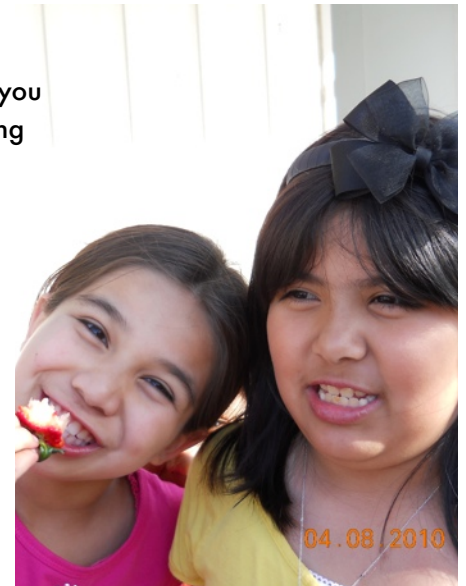
#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Fresh strawberries
- Mini chocolate chips
- Black decorators' icing
- Almond slivers
- Toothpick
- Red lace licorice
- Wedge of Cheese (Your choice)



#### WHAT YOU DO:

1. For each mouse, slice a small section from the side of a strawberry so it sits flat.
2. Press a mini chocolate chip into the tip for a nose, using a small dab of icing to secure it in place, if needed.
3. Add icing eyes and stick 2 almond slivers into the top of the berry for ears.
4. For a tail, use a toothpick to carve a small hole in the back of the berry and push the end of a piece of licorice lace into the hole. Serve these berry cute treats with small triangles of cheese.



### Be Safe on your Memorial Day Weekend!

Always look both ways when you cross the street and remember to drink lots of water!

