



Message from the Butte Falls
Community School
Partnership
Program Director

Spring is here and we have been very busy at the Landing. The After School program continues to grow and it is so nice to hear

the laughter and see the students engage in fun activities like team building skills, cooking, homework assistance, games, etc. Megan Brons and Susan Cookson keep them on their toes. We are busy planning the summer program as well and are excited to put some fun new projects in place.

The Middle School group is growing and engaging students in art and cake decorating classes. They are so proud of what they have been able to create and Megan Brons has brought in instructors that the students really enjoy.

The Learning Tree @ the Landing preschool students are doing well, too. The Kinder Ready morning class is learning shapes, counting, letter sounds, and so much more. They are also learning how to do their lunch cafeteria style so the transition to Kindergarten will be a little easier. They even are learning how to serve themselves at a salad bar. Many have discovered they love salad and other vegetables! Lisa Retherford continues to volunteer her time to come in and make healthy snacks and lunches for all the students. We would also like to thank the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. Partnering with them allowed us to send every preschool student a book bag for Spring Break filled with books, prizes, and healthy snacks. The children were so excited at the end of the day to get their bags! We will also begin offering a light breakfast to our morning class after Spring Break.

We are scheduling some trainings here at the Landing to offer to parents and community members. On April 20th we will be hosting a training on strengthening families in our community. We hope to see many of you here for the event. We are planning seminars and trainings on PAX (good behavior game), parenting, first aid-CPR, finances, and others. Let us know if there is something you would like to see offered up here.

In March we received a \$5000 grant from Access to support our food pantry program. This program serves not only those that come in on pantry days, but also emergency boxes, senior commodity boxes, and our preschool and after school programs. A special thank you to the alternative education students who help to unload the food for the pantry every two weeks. When school lets out for the summer, we will need help with this task. If you are willing to volunteer your time to do this on the second and fourth Thursdays, please let us know.

We could not do all the things we do here at the Landing if it weren't for volunteers and donors. Thank you to everyone who supports this organization and all the programs we offer.

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