Welcome to the JP Morgan Chase Library

Welcome families to another exciting school year! My name is Kari and I am the librarian here at SFC. Our school has a full library that is open to all of our school families and the community. The library is open 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and our librarian Kari Welch is available everyday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. In our library you can:

- Find books to read with your child
- Explore the fun ideas on the shelves and walls
- Use a computer to apply for jobs, catch up on the latest news, or type up a document

To check out books you just follow 3 simple steps:
1. Browse for books in the library.
2. Bring your books to the lobby library desk.
3. Scan each book with your child’s ChildPlus number (the number used at the front desk) to complete check out.

Return your books to the box beside the library door. Don’t forget to clean up when you’re done playing so that other friends can enjoy the space.

Planetarium Visit to SFC!

On Wednesday, September 19th we will be visited by the One World, One Sky planetarium sponsored by PNC. Each classroom will visit the planetarium and experience the exciting show that is led by Big Bird, Elmo, and their friend Hu Hu Zhu from China. Our families are welcome to join in the fun. We’ll have more details to share soon.

Kass Family Book Club

Each month your child receives a book in their mailbox. These books, along with all of the books in the library, are generously provided by the Kass Family to help make reading fun. Each book includes fun activities to do with your child and ways to make the experience of reading with them more exciting. Stop by the library to let Kari know what you think about the book club selection of the month or if you have any suggestions for books that you would like to see in the future. Infants and toddlers will receive Hiccupotamus by Aaron Zenz. You’ll have fun hiccuping your way through an adventure with hippo as his friends try to stop his hiccups. Our preschoolers will receive The Night Before Preschool by Natasha Wing. This is a great book to discuss any nervous feelings your child may have about going to school.

Events

COFFEE TALK
Tuesdays from 7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
Drop off your child and enjoy coffee and a snack with staff and other families in the JP Morgan Chase library.

OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday, September 12th
3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in Town Square
Stay as long or as little as you’d like!

PLANETARIUM VISIT
Wednesday, September 19th
Times and locations to come.
From SFC Librarian  Kari Welch

**Literacy Tips For Preschoolers**

Letter writing is a fun activity to do with your child that encourages them to practice their handwriting and narrative skills. Have your child write a letter to someone they love or a familiar book character. For preschoolers who may not be ready to write words, encourage them to draw pictures of what they want to say and then have them tell you about the picture as you write their words.

After they finish, read their words back to them and talk about what they have said and drawn. Ask open-ended questions such as, “Why did you choose to make the tree purple?” or “I like how you made lots of circles, can you tell me more about them?”

**Literacy Tips For Infants and Toddlers**

One of the most important things you can do is talk to infants and toddlers as you read books together. Point to and name the objects on the page, identify words and letters as well. Talk about the sounds that the different objects make.

For example, if you are pointing to a monster, you can make a “roar” sound. If you are pointing to a pizza you can say “munch” or “yum” to describe the sounds you make while eating.

Check out *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt or *A Squiggly Story* by Andrew Larson for stories about letter writing and drawing. You can find these and others in the JP Morgan Chase Library.

This is a great way to keep your child interested in the book and give them the words to describe the pictures that they see. Check out *Never Touch a Monster* and *Pizzol* for fun and interactive stories with plenty to talk about.

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**Wednesday, September 12th Open House**

**3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in Town Square**

*Stay as long or as little as you’d like!*

- Enjoy refreshments from Chef Mark
- Tour your child’s classroom and speak with teachers
- Engage in classroom activities and curriculum
- Visit the library and learn about programs
- Meet the SFC Social Work Interns
- Meet the SFC Family Counselors
- Enter raffles for prizes
FAMILY SERVICES TEAM

Social Work
As part of our Family Services Team we are pleased to introduce three Ohio State social work students who are available to work each day with families on issues such as: job or education opportunities at SFC, housing and utilities, medical appointments and forms, kindergarten enrollment and holiday resources. For more information or support call 614-247-7488.

Speech & Language Pathology
As a service to families and children, our school provides a Speech Language Pathologist one day a week Cassandra Rosile, M.S., CCC-SLP, screens all children for language and age-appropriate speech.

If an initial screening, or parent and/or teacher concerns indicate that your child may benefit from additional speech-language pathology assessments and resources, Cassandra will provide a more complete evaluation which may lead to language enrichment provided on site at school throughout the school year.

Family Therapy
In addition to the opportunity to work directly with our Couples and Family Therapy student, Katie Van Fossen, a Couples and Family Therapy Clinic is offered every Wednesday from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. If you would like to make an appointment, please email her at vanfossen.49@osu.edu or call 614-247-7007.