



# October

## Exploration Academy Newsletter

### What we did in August & September

Exploration Academy has had a busy month. Ella Sutherland has been teaching the kids mini biology lessons each week. They have studied caterpillars, crystals, and praying mantis'. Ella has helped fill the gap with no visitors in the building. We look forward to miss Kayla Stalder, with Decatur County Conservation, returning next month!

We have been continuing to use our Stem activities. Students enjoy legos, straws, and Stem bin activities.

Torie Martz is leading our homework group. Spelling and Math facts a focus right now. K-1 is working on high frequency words and letters.

The library is not able to come to us in person so virtual it is. Miss Felicia and Ms Kaleigh read to us via Skype. We hope to have them back soon!

### Looking Ahead - Mark your calendar!

**October 9th:** Professional development - No School - No Exploration Academy

**November 2nd & 5th:** 1 pm school dismissal for Parent/Teacher Conferences - No Afternoon Exploration Academy

**November 6th:** Comp Day - No School - No Exploration Academy

**November 25th, 26th, 27th:** Thanksgiving Holiday - No School - No Exploration Academy

**Date TBD:** Family Literacy Night for Exploration Academy. More information and details to come!



### Contact Information

Email:  
Lamoniexplorationacademy@gmail.com

Remind App: Sign up for our class with the following code on your smart device: Enter this number: 81010 and text this number: @93c997 or type in the link:  
<https://www.remind.com/join/93c997>

For after school change of plans, please contact: Jennifer Rowland at 641-784-3422

### Operating Hours

**Mornings** | Monday-Friday | 7 - 8 am  
Student(s) must be dropped off by 7:30 am. Students arriving after 7:30 will be sent to breakfast, outside, or the small gym.

**Afternoons** | Mon-Friday | 3 - 5 pm  
Afternoon Exploration Academy runs from the time school is released. Student(s) should be picked up by 5 pm.



## Registration Changes

Registration is for the entire fall semester. If at any time you need to adjust the registration or attendance days for your child, please email [Lamoniexplorationacademy@gmail.com](mailto:Lamoniexplorationacademy@gmail.com) with changes.

If daily after school plans change, please contact Jennifer Rowland in the Elementary School office at (641) 784-3422 so she may communicate after school change of plans to teachers.



Ask your child to teach you about their world. Were do you find the best digging sticks in the yard? What's the proper way to make a pillow fort? Is there a right way to eat a cookie? What can your child show you?

## Meet our Exploration Academy Staff



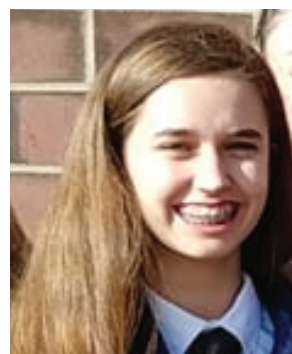
**Karen Roberts**



**Tyler McKinney**



**Ella Sutherland**



**Brenna Pierce**



**Jacey Lewis**



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