

Third and Fourth Graders Enjoy Summer of Surprises

The theme for Summer of Surprises 2016 was the Study of Transportation. Rising third and fourth graders studied train cars and their uses, space travel, the history of transportation such as the Wright Brothers, and built machines with Legos.

Students enjoyed a trip to tour the USS North Carolina battleship in Wilmington, NC. Not only did the students tour the ship, but they also participated in hands on activities such as typing on manual typewriters, calling and talking on rotary phones, and learning how to signal with semaphore flags - all on authentic equipment.

A second field trip took the campers to the Rotary Planetarium where students assembled model rockets and launched them. They also enjoyed a trip and presentation in the planetarium dome.

A third field trip to Charlotte included a ride on the Lynx train as they discussed mass transit. Students then took a virtual field trip as they watched the Imax movie *America Wild: National Parks Adventure* at Discovery Place.

The final field trip was a visit to the Anson County School Bus Garage. Mr. Corey Ross and staff gave students a tour of the facility and discussed how bus routes were designed. They also learned about the cost to purchase and operate the buses that the schools use every day. Students were also given a school bus safety refresher course for how to exit a bus in the event of an emergency.

The two-week Summer of Surprises program has been operating for over twenty-five years serving rising third and fourth graders each summer, focusing on hands on activities and field trip adventures.



Anson Middle School Academically/Intellectually Gifted (AIG) Summer Camp

ANSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Our Mission

"We will ensure that all students acquire skills and knowledge necessary to be successful and responsible citizens."

2016-2017 Early Release Wednesdays for Middle & High Schools

Anson County Schools will have early release Wednesdays again this year on the dates listed below. Early release Wednesdays are designed to offer professional development for teachers and staff to support instruction.

Early release time for middle and high schools ONLY (*Anson Middle, Anson Academy, Anson Early College, Anson New Tech and Anson High School*) will be 1:00 p.m. on the last Wednesday per month (*excluding August, December and May*):

- September 28....1 p.m.
- October 26....1 p.m.
- November 30....1 p.m.
- January 25....1 p.m.
- February 22....1 p.m.
- March 29....1 p.m.
- April 26....1 p.m.



On Tuesday and Wednesday, August 9 and 10, rising seventh grade students in the Academically/Intellectually Gifted Program (AIG) at Anson Middle School participated in a hands-on, minds-on summer camp. Students took on the task of reorganizing and rebuilding Wadesboro after a zombie apocalypse.

Topics included creating a budget, organizing government, rebuilding structures, and journalizing the process for historical records.

Pictured at right is the city the students created, complete with lighting.



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Anson County Kindergarten Orientation Staggered Entry 2016-2017

Ansonville, Lilesville, Morven, Peachland-Polkton & Wadesboro Primary Kindergarten is such an exciting year. Children have the opportunity to learn many important things, but it can be a little overwhelming at first. To ensure a successful transition into kindergarten, special small group orientation days will be scheduled the first five days of school (August 29, 30, 31, September 1 and 2). Kindergarten students will attend school on only one of the five orientation days according to their last name. Students may ride the bus to and from school on their orientation day. Regular school hours will be observed. During orientation, kindergarten students will become familiar with their school and start learning daily routines. Teachers will assess children's developmental readiness on a one-on-one basis. The results of this assessment will be used to help teachers better meet the instructional needs of the students during the 2016-2017 school year.

Kindergarten Orientation Schedule:

Monday August 29	Tuesday August 30	Wednesday August 31	Thursday September 1	Friday September 2
Last names that begin with A-E	Last names that begin with F-J	Last names that begin with K-O	Last names that begin with P-Z	Late Enrollees
Monday September 5	Tuesday September 6			
HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL	Kindergarten begins for all students.			



open house

Grades K-6 Elementary Schools:
Thursday, August 25, 2016
2:00 – 6:00 pm

Grades 7-12 Middle/High Schools:
Thursday, August 25, 2016
9:00-11:00 am & 4:00-6:00 pm

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