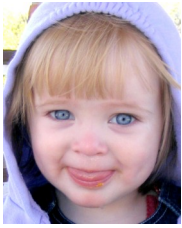


Parent & Child Committee

Parent & Child Committee 2009 Year in Review

Chair: Sarah Adams-Cornell



The purpose of the Parent & Child Committee is to help our children meet and interact with new friends in our neighborhood through play activities, while teaching the importance of community. The goal was to continue what was started in 2008 by hosting play dates in parks and local, kid-friendly businesses for children and their parents to build relationships and ultimately a closer community.

- 9 play dates were held at Smitty Park, Lowe's, Barnes & Noble & a neighborhood home.
- Activities included planting flowers, painting, bug hunting, fire safety, outside play, story time, building small toys, playing games and making crafts.
- At the conclusion of each play date a small prize or goody bag was given to each child.
- A total of 94 children and parents came to play dates during 2009.
- To reduce expenses, free community play dates were arranged. Many snack & craft items that were previously purchased by the neighborhood association were donated by Walgreens and the Cornell family.
- Children were encouraged to talk and write about our neighborhood and prizes were awarded.
- A kid written article was introduced to the newsletter called "Kid's Korner". Children of all ages are invited to write and share their neighborhood experiences.
- Expenses totaled \$159.07
- Most importantly, we're meeting more neighbors (3X more from last year!), great friendships have been formed, continue to grow and we're having so much fun. That's success!

