



Crunchy kale chips baked fresh from our garden

By **Angelica (Adventure Club)**

We have strawberries and kale in our "lasagna" garden. I picked some kale. We baked it to make chips. They were crunchy and tasted weird.



Cool in the pool means some splash while others swim

By **Fred (Adventure Club)**

I like to play "tidal wave" in a pool with my friend Karl. It involves splashing and surfing. I use my hands to make big waves. I also like to do water guns.

By **Emily (Adventure Club)**

I swam like a mermaid at Maple Grove pool. I swam underwater for over a minute. I like to do gymnastics, like hand-stands, underwater.



Water Olympic athletes experience **wet, wetter, wettest**

By **Nicholas (Discovery Club)**

My favorite Water Olympics event was the water balloon toss. Tyler was my partner. We were 5½ feet apart when the balloon hit the ground and it popped.

By **Rhony (Safe Base)**

In the "Gauntlet" event, players from five teams each threw a cup of water on players from one team who were running with a carboard flag. I always aimed for the first person. When it was my team's turn to run, I was at the front and I got really wet.

By **William (Discovery Club)**

My favorite water race was "rehydrate". The first time I drank a cup of water. The second time I poured a cup on my head. Drinking the cup of water was fun but dumping it on my head made me feel cooler.

Photo: one team tries to outrun cups of water thrown by other teams in the Water Olympics Gauntlet event.



'You want a peace of me?' is a piece of cowboy days

Discovery Club decorated cowboy hats and painted faces as part of cowboy days. If you were a cowboy what would you do?

Alexander - ride a red horse and feed it apples

Cassandra - ride my horse Rainbow Dash to the ocean to get a drink

Eathen - ride my horse named Cookie around Vancouver

Eddie - ride a horse to the desert, swing a rope and catch fish

Emma - go to a horse shop and buy a light blue horse

Helen - own a light-colored horse called Selina

Ilyas - catch cows and teach them how to jump

Katsuki - all my friends would share my horse

kristina - ride my black skin, brown hair horse Millie to Mexico

Nicholas - ride a horse to town to buy cowboy food

Simon - play with my horse on a farm

William - catch 4,000 cows and eat them

William J - use a rope to catch a horse and ride it

Zoya - have a fast ride on my horse to Jungle Jac's.

Photo: Emma, painted pose on cowboy day.



Cup captured

By **Alec (Safe Base)**

I was amazed when we won the Champions Cup. The final World Cup soccer game was super tough. The score was 9 - 5. I was able to score four goals. This is the second time my name has been put on the cup. Photo: team France Alec, **Roy, Scott, Thomas.**



Hair-raising adventure is a playground science lesson

So why did **Madison's (Discovery Club)** hair stand on end at the park?

A strong north wind blew in as she was facing south? No.

The ghost of Playgrounds Past shocked her with a big "Boo!"? No.

Her ponytail exploded? No.

The friction of going down a plastic slide caused a positive charge to build up on each hair; each hair had the same charge so they all tried to repel from each other making some hairs stick out straight? Yes. It's static electricity!

Walking the dog

A stroll at 1350 West 67th Avenue in July revealed

Three water balloon "babies" made it to Maple Grove Park and back. 19 were too pooped and popped. The good news for **Adventure Club / Safe Base** parents-for-a-day was "wet" balloon babies were "done" not diapered.

Discovery Club secret agents were fingerprinted, followed photo clues and decoded mystery messages. It was "I spy with 60 little eyes".

Adventure Club / Safe Base started with paper clips and traded "Big...Bigger" with Granville Island merchants. An afternoon of deals earned one team a \$50 painting, two books and a bracelet. HST? Yes, as in, Hot Swapping Talent.

Discovery Club Iron Chef was "berry" good as muffins, smoothies and fruit nachos featured secret ingredient blueberries, raspberries and strawberries.

The hula hoop bobsled race in our 2010 Winter Olympics was run as the hula hoop canoe race in our 2012 Summer Olympics. Different name. Same hoop-hoop-hooray enthusiasm by **Discovery Club**.



Hannah and Nicole (Discovery Club) saw colorful trees, plants, flowers, birds and fish at the Bloedel Floral Conservatory. Can you see the macaw?



Nastia (Safe Base) has hands up to slide down our backfield waterslide.



Emily (Adventure Club) crosses the North Arm Bridge over the Fraser River and under a Canada Line train. Six cycled to the Olympic Oval in Richmond.



