Kids celebrate summer service, learning at events this week

Meet the students who are fighting dreaded summer ‘brain drain’ at fun-filled showcases TODAY and Thursday

July 24, 2012 (Sacramento): Hundreds of students who participated in Sacramento City Unified School District’s innovative summer programs will show off community service projects and more at showcase events scheduled for today (July 24) and Thursday (July 26).

During “Summerquest,” SCUSD’s program for elementary school students, kids researched countries in anticipation of the 2012 Summer Olympics in London and created their own countries using the theme “We are the World.”

The children will discuss their “worlds” and what they learned at the Summerquest Olympics Showcase today (July 24), at California Middle School, 1600 Vallejo Way.

SCUSD also sponsored “Summer of Service” for incoming seventh- through ninth-graders. The program combines community service and project-based learning with a traditional “bridge” program aimed at easing the sometimes scary transition to middle and high school.

Over six weeks, students worked to identify a problem in their community and design and implement a community service project to address it. More than 800 students will showcase their projects on Thursday, July 26, at C.K. McClatchy High School, 3066 Freeport Blvd.

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WHEN: 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today (Tuesday, July 24)
WHERE: California Middle School, 1600 Vallejo Way, Sacramento

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WHERE: C.K. McClatchy High School, 3066 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento

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