

## **TLC PARTICPATES IN PILOT PROGRAM**

### **“INSIDE THE OUTDOORS” CHOOSES BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF LAGUNA BEACH AS THE PERFECT AUDIENCE FOR THEIR NEW PROGRAM.**

The Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach-TLC Branch has developed a partnership with Inside the Outdoors, a unique and hands-on environmental education program administered by the Orange County Department of Education. The curriculum created for Inside the Outdoors programs is aligned with California Science and Social Science standards and allows students to interact with these concepts in a setting tailored for young ones. Inside the Outdoors developed a pilot program called The Traveling Scientist and chose TLC to share this wonderful new way of teaching the importance of practicing the five R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repurpose and Rot! Everyone is familiar with the first three, but Repurpose and Rot were new terms for the children. The children were shown a repurposed backpack that was made out of Kool-Aid pouches. In addition, they learned that rotting could be great when it's used for compost and how that helps our gardens grow. Inside the Outdoors illustrated these concepts with stories, live animals, pictures, and simulation. The Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach would like to give special thanks to Inside the Outdoors and the Orange County Department of Education for choosing the Club-TLC Branch to participate in this “one-of-a-kind” program.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Laguna Beach-TLC Branch provides a nurturing, homelike setting for after-school enrichment in beautiful Bluebird Park. TLC kids partake in recreational and educational after-school and summer programs that help build

character, academic success, and healthy behaviors in young people. For more information, please call 949-494-7630.

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