



AFTERNOON SMOKEYS – Spring 2020 **Nursery through Pre-K**



Start Date: Monday, March 30
End Date: Friday, May 22
Location: PIFS
Time: 12-3:15pm (includes lunch)
Session Price: \$480 per selected day session

Not ready to end your day at Noon?! Want more full days?! Come join us for Smokeys where you can choose from a wide range of activities to get your child's mind and body moving. Whether exploring Outdoor STEAM, playing sports, diving into sensory play, exploring nature or adventuring outside of the PIFS campus, your child is sure to have a fun and enriching experience.

Smokeys will not be held on the following holidays:
Friday, April 10 (Good Friday)

Tuition is non-refundable after April 9. The School reserves the right to cancel if enrollment is not adequate. NO REFUNDS FOR HOLIDAY OR SICKNESS WILL BE MADE. MAKE UP DAYS ARE NOT PROVIDED.

Session Options:

MONDAY

OUTDOOR S.T.E.A.M. (open to all Nursery; priority given to Nursery 3)

Led by Sue Sabini & Beth Kiefer

S.T.E.A.M. activities are so important to the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills. And in this era when technology abounds, we don't want the beauties of nature to be overlooked by today's children. Our outdoor S.T.E.A.M. Smokeys group will spend time outdoors searching for natural objects to examine, enjoy and use in art creations or building constructions. Children will be challenged to build a stick tower that can support a rock the size of their fist, observe the clouds and make their own cloud in a jar and take nature hikes around the PIFS campus observing various kinds of animal behaviors that they can imitate.

TUESDAY

SIGNS OF SPRING (open to all Nursery & Connecting, priority given to Connecting)

Led by Anne Martine Cook & Allison O'Toole

Spring has sprung and signs of spring are everywhere. We will observe these seasonal changes around campus and in nature through active, hands-on investigation and related activities. Some topics of exploration include our sun and moon, rain, wind, birds, bugs and butterflies, and our emerging flowers and garden seedlings.

WEDNESDAY

COOKS AND SCIENTISTS / SOUND OUT (open to all Nursery, Connecting & Pre-K)

Led by Betsy Murphy & Beryl Engels (Cooks and Scientists) and Anitra Brooks (Sound Out)

Each week your child will alternate between being a little baker and a mad scientist, creating a cooking delight and/or inventing a cool experiment. This session is all about experimentation, discovery and sensory play. Let the concocting begin! Your children will also enjoy "Sound Out" with Anitra. Your children will sing in multiple languages and explore percussion instruments, appreciate music from around the world, vocalize with expression and integrate rhythm into their bodies and lives!

FIELD TRIPS (must be age 4 – priority given to Pre-K)

Led by Chris Terry & Sue Sabini

Adventure beyond PIFS and expose your child to all that Greenwich and its surrounding communities have to offer. Activities include spring walks and visits to local nature centers. The little school bus departs PIFS at 1:00pm and returns by 3:00pm.

THURSDAY

OUTDOOR FUN WITH FABLES, FAIRY TALES AND NURSERY RHYMES (open to all Nursery; priority given to Nursery 3)

Led by Sue Sabini & Beth Kiefer

We're bringing our study of fables, fairy tales, and nursery rhymes outdoors this semester. Children will use their imaginations and critical thinking skills to compare and contrast different versions of classic tales and participate in fun and engaging activities related to each story. They will build bridges after reading "The Three Billy Goats Gruff," do an egg-drop experiment after hearing "Humpty Dumpty Sat on a Wall," test if bread crumbs really were the best way to leave a trail like Hansel and Gretel, and so much more!

FRIDAY

SPORTS & GAMES / SPANISH (open to all Nursery, Connecting & Pre-K)

Led by Chace Wierdsma & Allison O'Toole (Sports & Games) and Daniel Arias Vivas (Spanish)

The children are very active during this Smokeys enrichment program. While running around and having fun (inside and outside!), they learn the importance of teamwork, develop important social skills, and have fun. After the children run around at *Sports & Games*, they will come inside for the last hour to learn Spanish through art, games, music and movement.