

Auxiliary Programs of Kinhaven School, 2023-24

Early Birds means YOU Can Catch that Worm as Your Child's Day Can Begin at 8:30AM!

Imagine faculty members meeting you at the door at 8:30 to escort your child(ren) to the Early Birds classroom. You can hop on that 8:34 train, and still have time to take off your coat before the 9:00 meeting. Your child can play with pals in the calm of the Early Birds classroom before joining his/her regular class. Your morning routine is simplified!

- WHAT: Early Birds is an optional, early drop-off program
WHO: Children will play in mixed age groups.
WHEN: Early Birds begins at 8:30am. Teachers will greet you at the door at 8:30. Not such an early bird? Bring your child directly to class.



AFTERNOON ADVENTURES: It's 1:00 and the fun has just begun!

Afternoon Adventures provides an optional extension to the core morning program. Each day Kinhaven teachers offer a specific content focus as well as a brief rest, and play- indoors and out.

MONDAYS: Good Vibrations

Kinhaven Kids will move, dance, stretch and play to develop rhythmic movement skills and sensory integration. We use music and creative movement experiences to warm-up, move across the floor, and practice centering both body and mind to gain kinesthetic awareness, motor memory, and locomotor and non-locomotor coordination.

TUESDAYS: Planet Patrol

Nature is a curious kid's greatest teacher. As young stewards of our planet children will garden, enjoy close encounters with our school animals, and visit local resources like Ballston pond. We shall explore, ask questions to determine how things fit together, and develop respect for every living thing. Through recycling, re-use crafts, and nature collections and experiments we will boost your child's relationship with our planet and the great outdoors. Dismissal may be held from a remote location such as a nature center several times per year with one week's advance notice.

WEDNESDAYS: Kitchen Chemistry

Come see what fun we're cooking up Wednesday afternoons. Using common kitchen ingredients and tools we will make, bake, and taste some of the best science in town. We shall provoke physical and chemical changes, make observations, revisit our hypotheses- and sometimes nibble our conclusions. Have your science and eat it too!

THURSDAYS: Pee Wee P.E.

Introduce your child to fitness with Pee Wee P.E. where we use group games to build cooperation and teamwork, then skill stations to lay the foundation for future participation in sports. A lifelong love of healthy movement and physical activity starts with the fun and energetic environment of Pee Wee P.E..

FRIDAYS: Arts Playhouse

Fridays are fun-days in the arts playhouse. Each month we introduce a different media in the visual and performing arts- from puppetry to papier-mache, and beyond. Children will develop a vocabulary of self-expression, learn about global artists- contemporary and historical, and take part in both solo and group pieces and performances.