

COURSE CATALOG WINTER 2012

Courses for Kindergarten – 2nd Grade

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Piano	Storybook Cooking	Piano	Harry Potter	Gymnastics
Chess	Jewelry Making	Lego World	Cooking Around the Clock	Sports Variety
Mandarin	Illustration Art	Yo-Umba	Star Wars	
Bollywood Fit (2-5)	Readers' Theater	Computer Fun	Imagination Exploration	
Sports Variety	Sports Variety	Building	Sports Variety	

Courses for Grades 3 – 5

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Piano	Circus Arts	Piano	Olympian Obstacle Courses	Sing, Dance, Act!
Chess	Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book Club	Girls' Gymnastics	Wizards of Wood	
Mandarin	Animal Art Adventures	Kneat-o Knitting	Harry Potter	
Bollywood Fit (2-5)		International Cooking		

Course Fees & Schedules

- All courses are \$270 unless otherwise noted next to their descriptions.
- Courses will start on Tuesday, January 17, and run for 10 sessions.
- All courses meet once a week. When courses are offered on multiple days, families choose their preferred day(s).
- Unless otherwise noted in the course description, courses will begin at 3:00pm and end at 4:30pm. Children will be released by the course instructor in the outer cafeteria.
- If someone other than the parent, guardian, or other individual listed as authorized on your registration form will be picking up your child, please provide us with written notice of the name of the individual who is authorized to pick up your child, and the date(s) for which this authorization is valid. You can either leave a note in the PS29+ mailbox in the main office or send us an email to ps29plus@gmail.com. We require that each child be signed out every day.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

If you need to withdraw your child from a course, you may do so for a full refund, provided your request is issued by or before the second session of the course. A 50% refund will be issued if you withdraw by or before the third course session. After the third course session, no refunds or credits will be granted.

MONDAY COURSES



Lango Mandarin (K-5) – \$300

In this course, your child will learn another language, make developmental strides, explore other cultures and make friends. The class will be taught by Tracy Li, a trained teacher from China, who is currently pursuing her M.A. in the Teaching of Chinese at Hunter College. Lango's full immersion classes teach Mandarin through "Adventure Learning," our innovative approach that combines stories, music and movement, play-acting and game-playing in an engaging format that kids love.



Piano (K-5) – \$300

3-5 p.m. (also offered on Wednesdays)

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Chess (K-5) – \$300

Chess is the oldest and one of the most popular after school programs at our school. Mr. Tag from the *Let's Play Chess* team will teach students the basics of the game, as well as more advanced chess tactics and strategic play.



Bollywood Fit (2-5) – \$300

Brought to you by Lotus Music & Dance, Bollywood Fit is an exciting cardio-fitness program set to the latest Bollywood music, and is guaranteed to build stamina and joyfulness in all who participate! In this course, students will learn the origins and history of Indian dance styles, then complete a 50-minute nonstop cardio routine, based on easy-to-learn Indian dance moves that require no prior experience. Each session will end with a yoga-based cool down routine. Students will have the opportunity to demonstrate their skills for friends and family at the end-of-term performance. If you're looking for a fun and unique way to get moving this winter, Bollywood Fit is for you!

Sports Variety (K-2)

with Joe Buzzetta

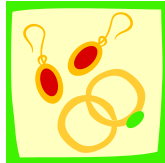
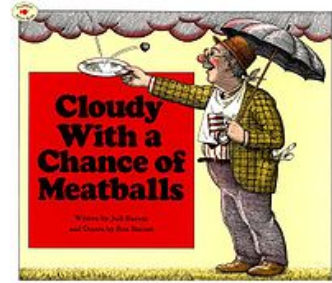
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TUESDAY COURSES (K-2)

Storybook Cooking
with Kristin Beers

Imagine reading *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* and then making a batch of marvelous meatballs. Yum! Come join the cooking fun! We will make recipes inspired by some of our favorite children's books. Kindergarten teacher Kristin Beers will share her love of books and cooking in this fun new course.



Jewelry Making
with Jackie Lichter

Become a fabulous jewelry designer! By the end of this course, you will have designed your own beautiful jewelry collection and have a new piece to wear every day of the week.

Illustration Art
with Maureen Crowley

This art course is based on the exquisite illustrations found in Caldecott Award-winning titles. We'll make art using the techniques of famous illustrators. Each week the students will create an art piece with qualities similar to those found in beloved Caldecott books such as *Make Way For Ducklings*, *Owl Moon* and *Where the Wild Things Are*. Our course will culminate with an art show on the last day.



Drama: Readers' Theater
with Sophia Soto

We'll have fun singing and dancing and acting out well-known stories. We will rehearse parts together, make our own sets and perform our 'play' during the final week's class. If you love stories, pretending, and being dramatic, this course is for you!

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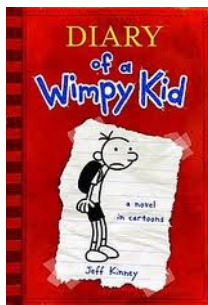
TUESDAY COURSES (3-5)

Circus Arts

with Kathy Nobles

Become a circus performer! In this course, students will learn a variety of exciting and cool circus tricks, skills and activities, including juggling, plate spinning, diablos, acrobatics, mini-trampoline, clowning, stilt-walking, stix juggling, and pogo sticks. Participation in Circus Arts will develop the left and right sides of the brain and improve gross and fine motor skills.

Students will create individual and partner routines, with a focus on each child developing at his or her own pace. At the completion of the course, family and friends will be invited to a culminating exhibition. Veteran P.E. teacher Kathy Nobles will lead this popular course.



The Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book Club!

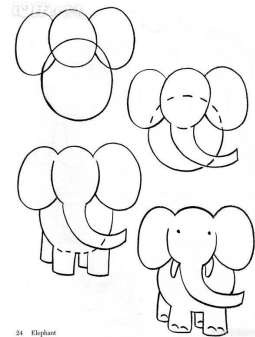
with Frank Thomas

In this course, we will explore Jeff Kinney's incredibly popular *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series. Every week, we'll read, talk and have lots of fun with this hilarious series. We'll play the Cheese Touch game, create our own Wimpy Kids, listen to the new hit single by Rowley's idol Joshie, and so much more. Each student will get a copy of *The Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself* book, and we'll spend the last few weeks creating our own Wimpy Kid masterpieces.

Animal Art Adventures

with Marisa Noiseux

All aboard the Animal Art Safari! If you would like to learn about drawing by studying animals, then this is the course for you! You can feel confident about drawing cute, disgusting and amazing animals if you learn and practice some drawing techniques. We'll study shapes, sizes, textures and colors. We'll study bodies, eyes, ears and paws. These drawing skills will not only help you to have a blast drawing animals, they'll help you with drawing everything!



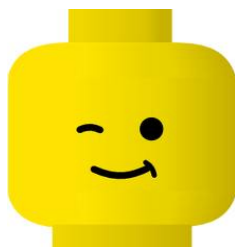
WEDNESDAY COURSES (K-2)



Piano (K-5) – \$300

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Lego World

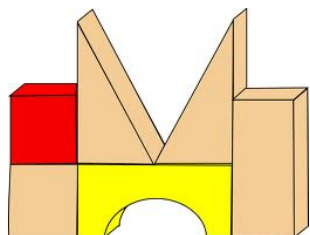
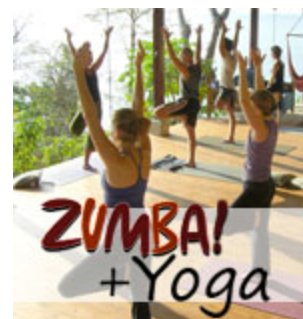
with Maureen Crowley

Let's get busy building Lego scenes. We'll work together each week to create different Lego scenes such as an airport, a park, a day at the beach, a city, a train station, people working, etc. We'll photograph our constructions weekly and create a Lego photo disc for each student to keep. We'll also take a peek on lego.com and find some cool ideas for Lego constructions.

Yo-Umba

with Melissa Bandes

Come experience a taste of each – Yoga and Zumba! Throughout this course, we will split our time between the tranquility of yoga and the energizing fitness of Zumba. This is a unique opportunity to explore yoga (a practice that combines physical, mental and spiritual discipline) with Zumba (a fun, active dance-fitness program that uses international and Latin music). Children will learn about the benefits of fitness through movement. No experience necessary. Experienced dancer and 3rd grade teacher Melissa Bandes is looking forward to helping transform your mind, your hearts, and your bodies in this exciting new course!



Building

with Lauren McGivney

Calling all builders! If you love to build, this course is for you. We will build with many different fun materials ... Legos, blocks, marshmallows, sugar cubes, cardboard boxes, and more. You will plan your own designs and use the materials to make them come alive! Best of all, you will have the chance to bring home the structures you build. Come join the building fun!

Computer Fun!

with Sara Thorne

Do you love playing on the computer? In this course we will learn how to use awesome programs like Photobooth, Kidspiration, and Comic Life. We will use our imaginations along with great programs and websites to create cool works of art as well as play games! We will even become familiar with the keyboard, typing, and moving from program to program.



WEDNESDAY COURSES (3-5)



Piano (K-5) – \$300

3-5 p.m. *(also offered on Mondays)*

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Girls' Gymnastics

with Kathy Nobles

Whether a beginner or an advanced gymnast, this class will help you learn or "perfect" your skills while emphasizing coordination, stretching, and strengthening techniques. Girls will create individual and partner routines. This course will focus on tumbling (e.g. cartwheels, roundoffs, various rolls), mini-trampoline, gymnastic obstacle courses, balance beam, vaulting, and junior bars. Veteran P.E. teacher Kathy Nobles leads children through this fun and fast-paced course.

"Kneat-o" Knitting

with Marisa Noiseux

Knitting is "kneat-o!" Once you get a few basic skills down, you just can't stop! This course is for any kids who love knitting—or who want to try it out for the first time. You'll learn how to finger knit first and then move on to knitting with needles as soon as you are ready. You might make a scarf, necklace, belt or even a simple stuffed animal. Be careful, knitting is so fun and rewarding, it might become a life-long obsession!

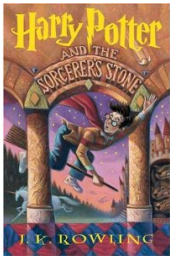


International Cooking

with Samantha Lazar

Travel the world through food! We will learn what kids around the world eat by preparing, making and tasting yummy snack recipes from different countries. We'll also work together to create our own cookbook to share our international recipes with family and friends. Samantha Lazar is a PS 29 teaching assistant who taught English in South Korea and took cooking lessons in Thailand, Cambodia and Indonesia during her extensive travels!

THURSDAY COURSES (K-2)



The Magical World of Harry Potter
with Sarah Scheldt

Welcome to the world of Harry Potter and his friends! In this course, we will enter the wizarding world of Harry Potter to make our own wands and owls! We'll also cook up some potions and practical jokes, as well as learn a bit of magic. Bring your love of Harry Potter to this popular returning course!

Cooking Around the Clock
with Kristin Beers

Get ready to cook around the clock! In this course, we'll make tasty recipes for breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and dessert! This hands-on course is fun AND delicious. Yum! Come join the cooking fun.



Star Wars Fan Club
with Sara Thorne

Calling all Jedis! Join fellow Star Wars fans in the first ever PS 29 Star Wars Fan Club! We will make everything from light sabers to masks so we can transform into our favorite characters. We will play Star Wars games, build with Star Wars Legos, and reenact our favorite parts! May the force be with you!

Imagination Exploration
with Nicole Nadeau

Run, run, run, as fast as you can ...to this course! Children will have the opportunity to use their favorite story books as a spring board for pretend play, movement, and building using the materials in the "Playground in a Box"! So, if you are a peddler, a monkey, a troll, or just a kid looking for some fun, please come join us!



Sports Variety
with Dan Turret

Also offered on Mondays, Tuesdays and and Fridays with Joe Buzzetta. In this course, students will have the chance to play soccer, basketball, kickball, football, and floor hockey, as well as engage in other fun and challenging fitness games and activities.

THURSDAY COURSES (3-5)



Olympian Obstacle Courses: Teambuilding through Physical Challenges

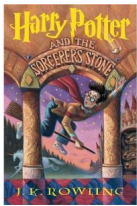
with Kathy Nobles

In this high-energy, action-packed conditioning program, children will build various physically challenging obstacle courses. Classes will include vaulting, mini-trampoline, tumbling, pyramid building, junior swing bar, balance beam, climbing, jumping, and running. This class is great for developing basic athletic core fundamentals that both boys and girls must have to participate in any sport. Building strength, coordination, flexibility, and confidence in one's self are goals of this unique program!

Wizards of Wood

with Nancy Henry

In this new course, students will learn the basics of working with wood to create projects such as toy race cars, treasure boxes, and wood sculpture inventions. Safety and good work habits are emphasized, in an atmosphere of fun and creativity. Fifth grade teacher Nancy Henry is excited to show students how much fun it is to work with their hands!



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FRIDAY COURSES



Gymnastics (K-2) with Sarah Scheldt

In this course, students will learn basic gymnastics skills on the floor, vault, beam, and bars. We will also build basic strength and learn flexibility exercises. All students will be taught at their skill level. Did you know that 2nd grade teacher Sarah Scheldt is a USAG certified coach and former gymnast?

Sports Variety (K-2) with Joe Buzzetta

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Sing, Dance, Act! (3-5) with Giuliana Reitzfeld

Do you love Broadway shows? Have you ever dreamed of seeing your own name in lights? In this exciting new course for musical theater fans, we will write, act, dance and sing our way through ten weeks of fun. The end result? A musical conceived, written, and performed by students. Former actress and current third/fourth grade teacher Giuliana Reitzfeld will guide young performers through the steps of putting on a musical. All levels of musical theater experience are welcome.