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ASE CLASS BROCHURE

Monday	K	1	2	3	4
All Sports Fun	X	X			
Mad Science - Looney Life Labs	X	X			
Fairies World	X	X	X		
Traditional Cooking	X	X	X		
Chess I	X	X	X	X	X
Tae Kwon Do	X	X	X	X	X
LEGO® WeDo Robots		X	X		
Chess II			X	X	X
Mosaics			X	X	X
Indoor Soccer Skills				X	X
Stop-Motion Animated Movie Making				X	X
Tuesday					
Mad Science - Looney Life Labs	X	X			
Nature Club	X	X			
Puppet Making	X	X			
Jewelry	X	X	X		
Hobby Quest Aviation		X	X		
Pro Swing Baseball		X	X		
Co-ed Basketball				X	X
LEGO® Mindstorms®				X	X
Traditional Cooking				X	X
World Crafts				X	X
Wednesday					
Beginning Spanish	X	X			
Hip Hop	X	X			
Hobby Quest Magic	X	X			
All Sports Fun	X	X	X		
Animal Art		X	X		
Chocolate Lovers		X	X		
Mixed Media Art		X	X		
Mad Science - Looney Life Labs			X	X	
Introduction to Sewing			X	X	X
Computer Video Game Creation					X

Thursday	K	1	2	3	4
Camp Crafts	X	X	X		
Mad Science - Looney Life Labs	X	X	X	X	
Indoor Soccer Skills		X	X		
World Crafts		X	X		
Scrapbooking			X	X	X
Chocolate and Beyond				X	X
LEGO® Mindstorms®				X	X
Pro Swing Baseball				X	X
Friday					
Beginner Tennis	X	X			
Mad Science - Looney Life Labs	X	X			
Lego WeDo Robots		X	X		
Weaving		X	X	X	
All Sports Fun			X	X	
Chocolate Lovers			X	X	
Hobby Quest Magic			X	X	
Beginning Spanish			X	X	X
Hip Hop			X	X	X
Animal Art				X	X
Guitar				X	X
Hobby Quest Aviation				X	X

GRAFFLIN PTA AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT WINTER 2012

The Grafflin PTA is pleased to announce that our eight-week After School Enrichment program (ASE) will begin on Monday, January 9, 2012. The ASE program offers a variety of classes for children in grades K-4. We hope you find a class that your child will love that will fit into your schedule. *You must be a member of the Chappaqua PTA and live within the local area served by the Chappaqua PTA's Grafflin PTA or be a Grafflin student to participate in the Grafflin PTA ASE program.*

**PLEASE READ THIS BROCHURE IN ITS
ENTIRETY AS IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT
AND NEW INFORMATION.**

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

ASE Brochure: The brochure is available online in its entirety at www.chappaquapta.net/DGSHome.php (the Grafflin PTA page on the Chappaqua PTA website.) The brochure will not be distributed in paper form, but a limited number of printed brochures will be available in the Main Office. The attached *Schedule of Classes* can also be found online, along with detailed class descriptions. In addition, ASE policies and procedures are also on the website (including early dismissal procedure, scholarship information, and calendar of classes.)

Registration: Registration will take place online and will begin on October 21, 2011. To register, go to the Grafflin PTA page (www.chappaquapta.net/DGSHome.php) from the Chappaqua PTA website and follow the link for "ASE Registration" to complete the form. *If you cannot register online, you can pick up a copy of the form in the Main Office and return the completed form to the box in the Main Office.*

Phase 1: October 21 to November 4

During the initial period you may register your child/ren for a maximum of two classes per child. PLEASE NOTE: DURING PHASE 1 ONLY, WE WILL EMPLOY A LOTTERY FOR CLASSES THAT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS ALLOWED. TO BE AS FAIR AS POSSIBLE, DURING PHASE 1, THE PROCESS WILL **NOT** BE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED. You may go online any time between October 21 and November 4 to sign your child/ren up for classes. At the end of this period, if any classes have exceeded the maximum number of students and additional classes cannot be added, registrants will be selected randomly using a lottery system. Those students not selected will have the option to choose other classes. Registrations not completed online, but returned to the Main Office by November 4, will be included in all lotteries. THE DEADLINE TO BE INCLUDED IN ANY LOTTERY IS NOVEMBER 4, 2011. Registrants will be notified by November 14 of their class placement.

Phase 2: November 14 to December 5

After every registrant is placed in up to 2 classes, we will open the registration process again. During this phase, new registrants can sign up for available spots, and those already registered may sign up for additional classes (there is no limit per child.) DURING THIS PHASE, REGISTRANTS WILL BE PLACED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. During Phase 2, registrants will receive class confirmation at the time of registration. If a class is filled, you may put your child on a waiting list. [The final deadline to register is December 5, 2011.](#)

Class confirmations:

During Phase 1, you will receive an immediate confirmation that your registration has been received. THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOUR CHILD HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE CLASS. From November 4 to November 14 we will be conducting lotteries for various classes. You will receive class confirmations no later than November 14. During Phase 2, you will receive class confirmations at the time of registration.

Payment Information:

The fee for each class is included in the brochure. Payment can be made by doing the following:

- 1) Print out a copy of your class confirmation(s).
- 2) Send a separate check for each class your child/ren will be taking, made out to *Grafflin PTA*.
- 3) Drop payment off personally or send it through your child/ren in an envelope marked ASE. A box will be placed in the Main Office for payment collection.

If you registered your child during Phase 1, the payment deadline is November 21. During Phase 2 of registration, payment for classes is due within one week of registering.

As in the past, if you sign up to work as a volunteer during the ASE program, your child will receive priority placement.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available if the cost of an ASE class would represent an economic hardship. These scholarship awards are confidential and can be arranged by contacting Jillian Pohly, Grafflin PTA Chair, at 238-1460 or graflinchair@gmail.com.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

Except in the case of athletics, dance, fitness, and cooking classes, where (for insurance purposes) ASE is required to post an additional volunteer in the classroom, all ASE classes are taught and supervised by one adult. If you believe your child needs additional support to participate in ASE, send a letter to Debbie Alspach, Section 504 Chairperson, Elementary Schools, Chappaqua Central School District, c/o Douglas Grafflin Elementary, 650 King Street, Chappaqua, New York 10514. In that letter, please identify your child and the ASE activity in which you plan to register. A Section 504 Committee meeting will then be convened to review your request. When necessary, the Section 504 Committee will recommend assignment of an aide with no cost to a family. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Alspach at 238-5560.

PARENTAL NOTICE

Please note that there is some element of risk inherent in all ASE classes. Although a "non-contact" policy for all sports classes will be followed, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity. Always use your best judgment and consider your child's allergies when registering him or her in a class. The ASE Committee and the PTA cannot guarantee the absence of peanut traces or other allergens in our program, including but not limited to snack time, cooking classes and other classes where food is served. If you choose to send your child to ASE with a snack from home please make sure it is free of nuts, nut traces and nut oils, as there are students in the program with food allergies. Take a moment to remind your child not to share his/her snack. Nature classes may involve exposure to animal allergens.

REQUIREMENTS

Children must behave in a cooperative manner. Disciplinary procedure is as follows:

- Any child causing disruption will receive a warning and a note will be sent home.
- After the second incident, the child will be removed from the class and the parent notified in person or by telephone.
- After the third incident, the child will be required to withdraw from the program and no money will be refunded.

CLASS TIME

Students will report to the cafetorium at the regular dismissal time to meet their ASE instructor. Please remind your child when it is his/her day to stay for ASE. **If your child is in school and will not be attending his/her ASE class, your child must bring a note from home and give it to his/her classroom teacher to pass on to the ASE Committee in the morning.** This is very important. All buses are held until each and every student is accounted for. Your child will be detained until a parent has been contacted. Children must be picked up **promptly at 4:30 pm** in the cafetorium. **CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED OUT.** Please remember that Grafflin PTA parents are volunteering their time and must get home to their families. In the event of an emergency, please call the co-chairs, Cynthia Lynch at (917) 514-4951 or Francesca McAfee at (914) 318-5748, if you cannot

make pick-up time. Repeated late pick-ups will result in removal of your child from the ASE program. Please do not park in the fire zone clearly marked with yellow lines in front of the school. The police may issue tickets when cars are parked there. Do not park on the left side of the circle.

SNOW, INCLEMENT WEATHER AND EARLY DISMISSALS

If school is canceled or there is an early dismissal for any reason, ASE will be canceled and students will be sent home on their regular buses. If school remains open and it begins to snow or bad weather is predicted, the district may cancel all after-school activities taking place on school property, including ASE, and the students will be sent home on their regular buses.

Announcements of weather-related school building closings are available on the school district website (www.ccsd.ws). You may also register on the website for text-message and email alerts from the district. Local TV channels and radio stations often provide announcements of closings as well (NCCMC channels 75/77, News Channel 12, radio stations WFAS (1230AM) and WHUD (100.7FM)).

There will be no refunds due to snow cancellations. We have asked all ASE teachers to reserve one additional week for snow day make-up. Only one class for each course that was canceled because of an unexpected school closing or early dismissal will be eligible for a make-up class.

CLASS CALENDAR

The After School Enrichment program runs eight weeks. The following is a list of dates when classes are scheduled to meet:

Mondays	Jan 9, 23, 30	Feb 6, 13, 27	Mar 5, 12
Tuesdays	Jan 10, 17, 24, 31	Feb 7, 14, 28	Mar 6
Wednesdays	Jan 11, 18, 25	Feb 8, 15, 29	Mar 14, 21
Thursdays	Jan 12, 19, 26	Feb 2, 9, 16	Mar 1, 8
Fridays	Jan 13, 20, 27	Feb 3, 10, 17	Mar 2, 9

Snow make-up days will take place the week after classes are over for that particular day. Please realize that the snow make-up week will vary depending on the day.

2011-2012 GRAFFLIN PTA ASE COMMITTEE

As parents of Grafflin students, the ASE committee members have worked all year in preparation for this eight-week program. It is the goal of these volunteers to create an opportunity for students to explore new and different interests. If you have any questions regarding this program, or its procedures, please call a member of the ASE committee or email at graflinase@live.com.

Cynthia Lynch: Co-Chair	238-1903
Francesca McAfee: Co-Chair	238-4745
Marisa Marlin: Assistant Chair	449-6637

MONDAY CLASSES

All Sports Fun

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$110

This recreational class is sure to put your child's energy to use after school. Sports will include kickball, sharks and minnows and much more. Sneakers required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our "non-contact" policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: The instructor will be from the Kids' Energy Center at Club Fit, a large multi-sport health club in Northern Westchester.

Mad Science – Looney Life Labs

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$115

Explore the natural world and it's adaptations. Observe creepy crawly bugs, make casts of animal tracks & study the feeding habits of owls as we dissect their lunch's remains. Some of the weekly topics in this session are: *Bugs, Earthworks, Walloping Weather, Mission Nutrition, All about Animals, Life in the Sea, The Birds & the Beasts, Earth Awareness, Nature and The Science of Sport!*

Teacher: Instructors are from Mad Science of Westchester, part of an organization offering educational and entertaining programs for children.

Fairies World

Grades K, 1, 2

Total Fee: \$100

Glitter, sparkling jewels, beads, and more! We'll make fairy crowns, necklaces, and other fairy objects as we explore their world.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive noncompetitive environment.

Traditional Cooking

Grades K, 1, 2

Total Fee: \$130

In this traditional cooking class children will make recipes such as quiche, pineapple upside down cake, and lasagna. The class includes all ingredients, materials, supplies, and a cookbook, which the child will receive the last day of class.

Teacher: This class is taught by an instructor from Kids 'r' Cookin. Kids 'r' Cookin's founder, Bandy Acciavatti, owned two restaurants and a catering business. Bandy's daughter, Vicki Butler, has two children at Grafflin.

Chess I

All grades welcome!

Total Fee: \$100

This is a class for all who ever wanted to learn and play the royal game. An NSCF coach will guide you through the history of chess, movement of the pieces, official rules, basic strategies and tactics. Students will be able to play a logical game of chess by the end of the course.

Teacher: A staff instructor from the National Scholastic Chess Foundation will lead the class.

Tae Kwon Do

All grades welcome!

Total Fee: \$120

Improve health, fitness, focus, confidence and respect through effective training in beginning Tae Kwon Do. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our "non-contact" policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: Master Mineo from Black Belt Tae Kwon Do, a world class facility, offers Tae Kwon Do (Korean kicking style) and Self Defense taught by Certified Black Belt Masters and instructors. BBTKD has been located in Mt Kisco for 13 years and trains children, adults and families.

LEGO® WeDo Robots
Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$165

This class provides the opportunity for the younger children to get an introduction to simple robotics. Build and program dancing birds, drumming monkeys, hungry alligators, roaring lions and flapping birds. Using the LEGO® WeDo robots, students will learn to build models, attach sensors and motors and use a computer to program the model's actions and behaviors. Students will also learn about simple engineering concepts such as pulleys, belts, gears and levels, while having a blast with their creations. Students will not take the robots home.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

Chess II
Grades 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

This class is for all those who know how to play but never seemed to be able to master a mean game of chess. An NSCF coach will guide you through the most common games, as well as provide sound opening principles and middle game strategy. By the end of the course, you will be able to win against most of your chess-playing friends.

Teacher: A staff instructor from the National Scholastic Chess Foundation will lead the class.

Mosaics

Grades: 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Learn the art of mosaics, while creating fun projects. Students will make unique works of art using a variety of mosaic materials including paper, tile, and found objects.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive noncompetitive environment.

Indoor Soccer Skills

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$110

Missing soccer season? Come join our indoor soccer league. Students will have the opportunity to improve and develop soccer skills through fun drills and exercises. Sneakers required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our “non-contact” policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: Alfredo Possante is a native of Portugal and developed a love of soccer early in his youth. He has been a coach at Horace Greeley High School for nearly six years and is currently coaching the J.V. boys’ soccer team. Alfredo is the head custodian at Grafflin Elementary School.

Stop-Motion Animated Movie Making

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$165

If you’ve ever wanted to direct your own movies or like making up stories, then this class is for you. Using LEGO® mini-figs and bricks, digital cameras, animation software, and video editing software, you’ll create stop-motion animated movies with transitions, titles, credits, and sound effects. Design your own set with backgrounds, characters and scenery. The stories are up to your imaginations.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

TUESDAY CLASSES

Mad Science – Looney Life Labs

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$115

Explore the natural world and it's adaptations. Observe creepy crawly bugs, make casts of animal tracks & study the feeding habits of owls as we dissect their lunch's remains. Some of the weekly topics in this session are: *Bugs, Earthworks, Walloping Weather, Mission Nutrition, All about Animals, Life in the Sea, The Birds & the Beasts, Earth Awareness, Nature and The Science of Sport!*

Teacher: Instructors are from Mad Science of Westchester, part of an organization offering educational and entertaining programs for children.

Westmoreland Nature Club

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$90

Students will enter into a fun-filled and hands-on educational experience of discovery. Come see firsthand the collection of furs, skulls, bones, fossils and Native American pioneer tools. Students will listen to storytelling and partake in Native American drumming and craft making. Birdhouses will be made as well. *Please use your best judgment when registering your child for this class if he/she has fur or animal dander allergies.*

Teacher: Stephen Ricker is the Director of Westmoreland Sanctuary in Mount Kisco. Westmoreland is a museum and nature center that offers a hands-on approach to learning.

Puppet Making

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$100

Before film, television and cartoons, there were puppet shows. Puppets are part of a long-time international tradition of storytelling. Using modern materials, including everyday items, you will learn the art of puppet making. Controlling of puppets will also be discussed.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace.

Jewelry

Grades K, 1, 2

Total Fee: \$100

Are you ready to become a jeweler? You will learn beading, wire art, bead making and more to create fun jewelry for you and your friends. Earrings, bracelets, necklaces, hair clips are among the many projects you may design.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment.

Hobby Quest – Aviation

Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$120

Students will build airplane models from scratch using hobby tools while learning how to read plans and make measurements. The physics behind each model is creatively taught with age-specific learning materials. The students will be able to fly and take home their models. This year Hobby Quest is introducing an exciting new motorized Balsa Wood model, suitable for all ages.

Teachers: Hobby Quest was established to provide educational enrichment for children of all ages on the subject of aviation. Their innovative educational programs are interactive, hands-on, and dedicated to stimulating the imagination and intellectual capacity of children.

Pro Swing Baseball

Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$110

This instructional baseball program will provide each player with fundamental drills and practice techniques in fielding, throwing, pitching, base running and game situations in order to enhance their ability level, enthusiasm for the game and self-esteem. Sneakers and glove required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our “non-contact” policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: Following a successful professional career, Dan Gray has many years of experience in teaching clinics/camps. He is the owner of Pro Swing Baseball Facility in Mount Kisco.

Co-ed Basketball

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$110

If your little guy or girl has hoop dreams, then this is the place for them to learn and polish the basic elements of ball handling, dribbling, shooting, foul shots, rebounding and team play. It may not be the NBA, but it’s the next best thing, a step in the right direction...a slam dunk in terms of fun! Sneakers required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our “non-contact” policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: The instructor will be from the Kids’ Energy Center at Club Fit, a large multi-sport health club in Northern Westchester.

LEGO® Mindstorms®

Grade 3, 4

Total Fee: \$165

This exciting class teaches you how to build and program LEGO® Mindstorms® NXT robots, the coolest robot available. This class will introduce programming concepts such as repeat loops and if/then

statements, and sensor use will also be taught. Students will use their new skills to meet such challenges as beating their opponents at Sumo or pushing water bottles out of a ring. This class is for students who have little or no experience with robotics or programming. Robots are for use by students in class only. Students will not be able to take the robots home.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

Traditional Cooking

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$130

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Teacher: This class is taught by an instructor from Kids 'r' Cookin. Kids 'r' Cookin's founder, Bandy Acciavatti, owned two restaurants and a catering business. Bandy's daughter, Vicki Butler, has two children at Grafflin.

World Crafts

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Learn about different cultures through an exploration of art and craft techniques from around the world, such as Japanese origami, Native American sand painting and basket weaving.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

Beginning Spanish Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$100

Have fun learning Spanish through conversation, games, and activities. You will learn some basic and useful ways to speak to your friends in a new language. Spanish expressions, greetings, numbers, colors, days of the week, parts of the body, articles of clothing are among the topics covered. This will be an interesting introduction to the Spanish language for students who may be interested in continuing their language studies in middle school. A workbook will be distributed at the beginning of the course, which the children will work through and be able to keep when the course ends.

Teacher: Julie Paget studied Spanish at Northwestern University. She became fluent in Spanish after travelling to Spain for two consecutive summers and living with a Spanish family in Gijon, Spain. Julie is the mother of two Grafflin students.

Hip Hop Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$100

Hip Hop is today's coolest dance form seen worldwide! Come join Miss Dina to learn some fun dance steps. You will be putting together an energetic routine full of fresh choreography. The goal is to focus on learning by having fun and exercising!

Teacher: Dina Michelle is a teacher and co-director of Dance Emotions in Chappaqua.

Hobby Quest Magic Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$120

This magic class is designed to provide the skills and knowledge necessary to perform basic magic. Children will learn through a combination of hands-on instruction, instructor presentation, group

practice sessions and individual performance. Magic is a wonderful hobby that builds your child's problem-solving skills, boosts their self-esteem as well as promotes better social skills. Students will learn individual tricks, but more importantly, how to routine those tricks and give presentations that will amaze and fool audiences of any age. In order to better understand the art of magic, students will learn the principles and history behind the tricks they learn.

Teacher: Hobby Quest offers interactive, hands-on courses that are dedicated to stimulating the imagination and education of all students.

All Sports Fun
Grades K, 1, 2

Total Fee: \$110

This recreational class is sure to put your child's energy to use after school. Sports will include kickball, sharks and minnows and much more. Sneakers required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our "non-contact" policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: The instructor will be from the Kids' Energy Center at Club Fit, a large multi-sport health club in Northern Westchester.

Animal Art
Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$100

Explore the world of animals through the visual arts, using a variety of media such as painting, drawing, sculpture, and printmaking.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace.

Chocolate Lovers

Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$130

This class offers recipes such as chocolate crunch cookies, warm chocolate pudding cake and brownies. The class includes all ingredients, materials, supplies and a cookbook for each child on the last day of class.

Teacher: This class is taught by an instructor from Kids 'r' Cookin. Kids 'r' Cookin's founder, Bandy Acciavatti, owned two restaurants and a catering business. Bandy's daughter, Vicki Butler, has two children at Grafflin

Mixed Media Art

Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$110

Students will be introduced to several techniques such as watercolors, soft/oil pastels, paints, drawing, charcoal, clay and Sculpture. They will combine some of these media and create wonderful art works. Topics covered will include animals, human faces, landscapes, cityscapes, and 3-D objects.

Teacher: Riitta Pollock has taught ceramics and mixed media at the Northern Westchester Center for the Arts, as well as ASE programs at Grafflin, Roaring Brook and Mt. Kisco Elementary Schools. She also has been teaching art to Chappaqua Seniors since 2004

Mad Science – Looney Life Labs

Grades 2, 3

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Teacher: Instructors are from Mad Science of Westchester, part of an organization offering educational and entertaining programs for children.

Introduction to Sewing

Grades 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Discover the joys of hand sewing. Learn basic construction and stitching techniques and create your own unique projects, such as drawstring bags, puppets, wearable items, and more.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace.

Computer Video Game Creation

Grade 4

Total Fee: \$165

If you think playing computer games is fun, think what a blast learning to program your own games will be. Your imagination is the limit as you use GameMaker software to create maze, strategy, and a variety of other types of games. You'll learn about creating sprites, objects, events and actions. Design a room, make it look the way you want, add objects and play your game. We'll teach you how to display health, lives, score, splash screens and high score tables. Using drag and drop programming, you'll be creating exciting, professional looking games you can play with your friends. Students take home a CD with a free version of the GameMaker software; all the students' games in the class and pictures, sounds and background resource files.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

THURSDAY CLASSES

Camp Crafts

Grades K, 1, 2

Total Fee: \$100

This class will feel like summer camp in the middle of winter. Come enjoy a different craft every class. Students will complete a variety of different projects such as: clay, mosaics, weaving, jewelry making and more!

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment.

Mad Science – Looney Life Labs

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Scrapbooking

Grades 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Bring your photos and mementoes including brochures, tickets or maps from your vacations, and create a memory book to cherish! You will learn how to make "theme" pages, crop photos and incorporate stamping into your scrapbook. Easy and fun!

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment

Chocolate and Beyond

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$130

Children will love learning different techniques of dipping, pouring and molding chocolate. We will dip fruit and pretzels and will make caramels and chocolate bars. Students will be responsible for the entire process from prep to clean-up. The emphasis is on fun, but they will also learn about safety in the kitchen. *Please be aware that we cannot guarantee a nut or other allergen free environment.*

Teacher: Robin Goldstein has children at Bell and Grafflin and has taught ASE classes throughout the Chappaqua School District for many years.

LEGO® Mindstorms®

Grade 3, 4

Total Fee: \$165

This exciting class teaches you how to build and program LEGO® Mindstorms® NXT robots, the coolest robot available. This class will introduce programming concepts such as repeat loops and if/then statements, and sensor use will also be taught. Students will use their new skills to meet such challenges as beating their opponents at Sumo or pushing water bottles out of a ring. This class is for students who have little or no experience with robotics or programming. Robots are for use by students in class only. Students will not be able to take the robots home.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

Pro Swing Baseball

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$110

This instructional baseball program will provide each player with fundamental drills and practice techniques in fielding, throwing, pitching, base running and game situations in order to enhance their ability level, enthusiasm for the game and self-esteem. Sneakers and glove required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our “non-contact” policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: Following a successful professional career, Dan Gray has many years of experience in teaching clinics/camps. He is the owner of Pro Swing Baseball Facility in Mount Kisco.

FRIDAY CLASSES

Beginner Tennis

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$110

Learn the basics of tennis in this fun and comprehensive introductory course. Ground strokes, volleys and overheads will be taught in a noncompetitive environment with an emphasis on hand-eye coordination, footwork and building confidence. Soft, sponge balls will be used, and students should please bring a small tennis racquet to class if they own one. Otherwise, there will be extras on hand. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our “non-contact” policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: Diana Walker is an official of the USTA and a member of the Eastern Tennis Umpire’s Association. She is a very competitive tennis player. She has taught tennis to youngsters for years at Katonah Elementary School. She is the mother of two Grafflin graduates.

Mad Science – Looney Life Labs

Grades K, 1

Total Fee: \$115

Explore the natural world and it’s adaptations. Observe creepy crawly bugs, make casts of animal tracks & study the feeding habits of owls as we dissect their lunch’s remains. Some of the weekly topics in this session are: *Bugs, Earthworks, Walloping Weather, Mission Nutrition, All about Animals, Life in the Sea, The Birds & the Beasts, Earth Awareness, Nature and The Science of Sport!*

Teacher: Instructors are from Mad Science of Westchester, part of an organization offering educational and entertaining programs for children.

LEGO® WeDo Robots

Grades 1, 2

Total Fee: \$165

This class provides the opportunity for the younger children to get an introduction to simple robotics. Build and program dancing birds, drumming monkeys, hungry alligators, roaring lions and flapping birds. Using the LEGO® WeDo robots, students will learn to build models, attach sensors and motors and use a computer to program the model's actions and behaviors. Students will also learn about simple engineering concepts such as pulleys, belts, gear and levels, while having a blast with their creations. Students will not take the robots home.

Teacher: These classes are taught by an instructor from Bits, Bytes & Bots, which is a Westchester company offering a variety of classes including robotics, stop-motion animated movie making and game creation. Their instructors are thoroughly trained educators, parents, and technology buffs who share a vision of providing children with quality technology education.

Weaving

Grades 1, 2, 3

Total Fee: \$100

Using paper, found objects, plastic and natural elements, you will create beautiful weavings. Weaving is a medium going back to the earliest civilizations and we will look at ancient and modern examples, which will inspire your creativity. Bring in your special papers, ribbons and other objects to add to your woven artwork and create your personal expressions.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment

All Sports Fun

Grades 2, 3

Total Fee: \$110

This recreational class is sure to put your child's energy to use after school. Sports will include kickball, dodgeball and much more. Sneakers required. Although the instructor and participants will be advised to follow our "non-contact" policy for all sports classes, please be aware that there is an inherent risk of injury for anyone participating in a class involving physical activity.

Teacher: The instructor will be from the Kids' Energy Center at Club Fit, a large multi-sport health club in Northern Westchester.

Chocolate Lovers

Grades 2, 3

Total Fee: \$130

This class offers recipes such as chocolate crunch cookies, warm chocolate pudding cake and brownies. The class includes all ingredients, materials, supplies and a cookbook for each child on the last day of class.

Teacher: This class is taught by an instructor from Kids 'r' Cookin. Kids 'r' Cookin's founder, Bandy Acciavatti, owned two restaurants and a catering business. Bandy's daughter, Vicki Butler, has two children at Grafflin

Hobby Quest Magic

Grades 2, 3

Total Fee: \$120

This magic class is designed to provide the skills and knowledge necessary to perform basic magic. Children will learn through a combination of hands-on instruction, instructor presentation, group practice sessions and individual performance. Magic is a wonderful hobby that builds your child's problem-solving skills, boosts their self-esteem as well as promotes better social skills. Students will learn individual tricks, but more importantly, how to routine those tricks and give presentations that will amaze and fool audiences of any age. In order to better understand the art of magic, students will learn the

principles and history behind the tricks they learn.

Teacher: Hobby Quest offers interactive, hands-on courses that are dedicated to stimulating the imagination and education of all students.

Beginning Spanish

Grades 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Have fun learning Spanish through conversation, games, and activities. You will learn some basic and useful ways to speak to your friends in a new language. Spanish expressions, greetings, numbers, colors, days of the week, parts of the body, articles of clothing are among the topics covered. This will be an interesting introduction to the Spanish language for students who may be interested in continuing their language studies in middle school. A workbook will be distributed at the beginning of the course, which the children will work through and be able to keep when the course ends.

Teacher: Julie Paget studied Spanish at Northwestern University. She became fluent in Spanish after travelling to Spain for two consecutive summers and living with a Spanish family in Gijon, Spain. Julie is the mother of two Grafflin students.

Hip Hop

Grades 2, 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Does your child love to dance? Hip Hop is today's coolest dance form seen worldwide! Come join Miss Dina for a short warm-up and then learn some fun dance steps. You will finish up by putting together an energetic routine full of fresh choreography. The goal is to focus on learning by having fun!

Teacher: Dina Michelle is a teacher and co-director of Dance Emotions in Chappaqua.

Animal Art
Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$100

Explore the world of animals through the visual arts, using a variety of media such as painting, drawing, sculpture, and printmaking.

Teacher: Katonah Art Center offers fine art instruction for all ages and skill levels. Each student develops skills at his or her own pace in a supportive non-competitive environment

Guitar
Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$110

This exciting guitar course, designed by Mike Risko, owner of the Mike Risko Music School, gives students the skills to play all their favorite pop and rock songs. Students will learn how to read music, play chords, improvise with scales and have fun playing guitar. Students of all levels are welcome to join this class, which will end in a performance. This is a productive, educational way to spend time after school, and it's lots of fun!

NOTE: Students will need their own guitar to attend the class. Having the proper size guitar is important to ensure progress. If you need information on purchasing a guitar for this class you can email the Mike Risko Music Store musicstore@riskomusic.com or call 914-762-0877.

Teacher: Instructors will be provided by Mike Risko Music School which offers private music lessons on piano, guitar, drums, voice, bass, strings, brass, and woodwinds and teaches a variety of group classes like Rock and Jazz Band Workshops for adults, teens and kids. In addition, they offer an incredible Rock Band Summer Workshop Camp and a unique Intro to Piano program for Pre-K aged students. Plus, they have a fully stocked music store.

Hobby Quest – Aviation

Grades 3, 4

Total Fee: \$120

Students will build airplane models from scratch using hobby tools while learning how to read plans and make measurements. The physics behind each model is creatively taught with age-specific learning materials. The students will be able to fly their models and take them home. This year Hobby Quest is introducing an exciting new motorized Balsa Wood model, suitable for all ages.

Teachers: Hobby Quest was established to provide educational enrichment for children on the subject of aviation. Their innovative educational programs are interactive, hands-on, and dedicated to stimulating the imagination and intellectual capacity of children.