

# Chesterbrook Academy Wayne

July 2025 Newsletter

## Hello July! Let the Summer Adventures Continue!

Summer is heating up, and so is the fun! July is bursting with laughter, learning, and lots of water play as we dive deeper into our camp adventures.

From hands-on projects to silly games and surprise theme days, there's something exciting around every corner. Whether we're splashing through sunny afternoons or exploring new ideas in the classroom, we're making the most of every moment. Here's to another month of curiosity, creativity, and unforgettable summer memories!



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## Events & Announcements



### We are CLOSED! Friday July 4th for Independence Day!

Also called the Fourth of July, America's Independence Day marks the historic date in 1776 when the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress. The written declaration stated that the American colonies were tired of being ruled by Great Britain. They wanted to become their own country!

Check out these resources for celebrating Independence Day with your kids:

- National Geographic Kids:  
<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/history/article/independence-day#:~:text=Also%20called%20the%20Fourth%20of,to%20become%20their%20own%20country.>
- Ducksters:  
[https://www.ducksters.com/holidays/independence\\_day.php](https://www.ducksters.com/holidays/independence_day.php)

- Feels Like Home Blog:

<https://feelslikehomeblog.com/15-ways-to-celebrate-independence-day-with-kids/>

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## July Special Events

- Red, White and Blue Snow Cones on 7/2
  - Cool off with a patriotic treat! Campers will enjoy delicious red, white, and blue snow cones to celebrate summer in the most refreshing way. It's a sweet, chilly blast of fun that's sure to make their taste buds cheer!
- The Amazing Spaghetti on 7/9
  - Get ready to laugh, gasp, and be amazed! The Amazing Spaghetti brings a hilarious magic and puppet show packed with non-stop fun and surprises. With silly puppets, jaw-dropping magic, and even quick caricature drawings, this experience is sure to be a camp favorite. Perfectly tailored for our campers—this is one show you won't want to miss!
- Science Heroes on 7/18
  - Calling all young scientists and adventurers! Science Heroes takes campers on an action-packed journey where science and storytelling collide. With thrilling experiments, hands-on fun, and a superhero twist, this show brings learning to life in the coolest way possible. Get ready for bubbling potions, soaring objects, and lots of "wow" moments!
- Oliver Rocks on 7/25
  - Campers will get creative while making a difference! During *Oliver Rocks*, we'll paint bright, inspiring rocks to spread awareness for childhood cancer. Each rock is a symbol of hope, love, and support—and a fun way for campers to express themselves while learning about kindness and community. Let's rock for a cause!
- Scales and Tails on 7/30
  - Get ready for a wild adventure! Scales and Tails is bringing some amazing animal friends to camp—including reptiles, birds, and more! Campers will learn fun facts, see creatures up close, and maybe even get to touch a scaly or feathery friend. It's an unforgettable animal encounter full of smiles and surprises!
- July 14th- 18th - July spirit week!
  - Monday: **Time Travel Day** – Dress from the past or future!
  - Tuesday: **Beach Day** – Sunglasses, Hawaiian shirts, and beach towels (no swimsuits).
  - Wednesday: **Hat Day** – From baseball caps to princess crowns—any hat works!
  - Thursday: **Sports Day** (favorite Jersey/team/whatever)
  - Friday: **Superhero Day** - Dress as your favorite superhero!



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## July Community Fun!

Summer is heating up with exciting events around town! Be sure to check out these fun-filled July happenings at **Wilson Farm Park**:

- **July 4:** Celebrate Independence Day with fireworks at dusk!
- **July 10, 17 & 24 at 7 PM:** Enjoy free live music with the **July Concert Series**, featuring
  - Barefoot Bobby
  - Bloom & Decay
  - Chico's Vibe

**All events are free and open to the public, weather permitting!**

Grab your picnic blanket, gather your family and friends, and enjoy the summer evenings with the Tredyffrin community!

For more info, visit: [Community Events Tredyffrin Township](#)



## 2025 Summer Camp Calendar

We know we already sent it your way, and you may have even grabbed a copy from the lobby, but we're sharing it again here just to make things easy-peasy!

Whether you're planning ahead or just want to see what fun is coming up, we've got you covered. Check out the attachment below for all the sunny details!



**Summer calendar 2025.pdf**

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## July Teacher Appreciation

Our Teacher Appreciation Day this month is Wednesday, July 16th! Click the link below to sign up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AAAB2FA6FBC34-57387531-july>



## Oh, the Places We've Been!

Going on vacation this summer? We want to see it! Bring back a photo, post card, or other memorabilia to share with the school on our "Oh, the Places We've Been" display in our lobby. We can't wait to see what adventures await our community!



## Splash Day Reminders

Splash Days will run from **June 23rd to August 15th!** The schedule will be as follows:

### Monday

Beginner 1 & Beginner 2

### Tuesday

Intermediates

### Wednesday

Infants, Young Toddlers, Toddlers

### Thursday

Pre-k, Pre-k2

*Some quick reminders about Splash Days:*

- Please bring your child to school dressed in their splash gear (i.e. swimsuit or water clothes) with sunscreen already applied.
- Please provide a towel & a bag to place wet clothes into after splashing.
- Please provide a change of clothes (including dry shoes) for after splashing - we will help your child change into dry clothes!
- Remember, close-toed shoes **ONLY!** Water shoes, crocs, and other waterproof shoes are acceptable. **NO FLIP FLOPS!**
- No swim diapers - regular diapers/pull-ups only

Please feel free to reach out with any questions. Happy splashing!

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## Vacation Credit & Withdraw Reminders

Please see below for the following reminders regarding vacation credit, hiatus, & withdrawals. Please take special note of our policies around *withdraw dates & vacation credit eligibility*.

### Vacation Credits:

- Vacation credits require **two weeks' written notice via email** in order to be utilized
- Credits reset on July 1st.
- Credits can only be utilized for a Monday-Friday absence. If a child is present for any portion of the week, regular tuition will apply.
- New students must be **enrolled for 6 months** to be eligible for a vacation credit.
- Students who have taken **a recent hiatus** will need to wait **6 months** to be eligible for a vacation credit.
- Vacation credits do not "carry over" from year to year.
- You are **not eligible** for a vacation credit **after you have notified us of the withdrawal** of your child from the school (including graduation).

### Withdrawals:



- Withdraws require a **30-day (4 week) written notice via email** in order for your enrollment deposit to be credited towards your final week's tuition.
- Families who have notified us of their withdrawal from the school are *no longer eligible for a vacation credit*.

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## Hiatus Policy Reminder for the 2025–2026 School Year

Chesterbrook Academy offers families the flexibility to take a **hiatus** during the school year. A hiatus is a break from tuition, during which a student must be absent from school for a **minimum of three consecutive weeks**. To plan accordingly, the **administrative team must receive a written 30-day notice**, including the **anticipated return date**.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued partnership!

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## Health and Illness Policy

At Chesterbrook Academy, the health and safety of our school community is a top priority. In order to maintain a safe and healthy environment for all students and staff, **Chesterbrook Academy reserves the right to refuse admittance to any child or individual showing signs of illness**.

We ask that families partner with us by keeping sick children at home. Doing so helps us:

- Minimize the spread of illness to other children and staff
- Support the full recovery of the sick child
- Prevent the constant circulation of contagious conditions such as colds, flu, and gastrointestinal viruses

To protect our school community, **any individual—child or adult—who is visibly ill will be asked to remain at home**. Children who become sick during the school day will be made comfortable, and families will be required to pick them up within one hour of notification.

Children must remain home and be symptom-free for a minimum of 24 hours *without the aid of medication* before returning to school if they experience any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 100.4°F or higher
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Heavy nasal discharge requiring wiping every 3–5 minutes
- Persistent, non-productive or “barking” cough
- Sore throat
- Noticeable irritability, fussiness, or crankiness outside of typical behavior
- Skin rashes, including diaper rashes
- Head lice
- Any symptoms of a communicable disease such as pink eye, strep throat, chickenpox, measles, or mumps

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us uphold these standards to ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for everyone.

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## Shoe Policy

With the weather warming up, we wanted to give a reminder to all families that **open-toed shoes are not permitted to be worn during the school day**. We recommend the following closed-toed shoe options for warm weather:

- Sneakers
- Crocs (with the strap down to secure the shoe to the ankle)
- Native Shoes (Jefferson Slip-On Sneaker) or Keen Shoes
- Any other close-toed shoe

Please let us know if you have any questions!

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## Weather Policy for Outdoor Time

In line with **PA licensing standards**, we take our students outside **twice daily** for gross motor play, as long as the following conditions are met:

- **Wind chill is above 25°F**
- **Temperature is below 90°F**
- **No active precipitation**
- **No air quality alert**



**Please dress your child in weather-appropriate clothing** each day so they're ready for fun, no matter the forecast!

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## Parking & Pickett Post Swim Meets

As many of you know, the Pickett Post Swim Club is officially open! Considering this, we ask that all families continue to be mindful of heightened traffic in our parking lot during pick-up times. As always, we highly recommend families pick up their students as early as possible & limit the amount of time we are in the lot on these days in order to cut down on traffic congestion. We will notify all families via email when the Swim Club is hosting events or swim meets so that everyone can prepare accordingly.

As of now, the tentative schedule for swim meets is as follows:

- Thurs, 7/1 - Makeup date - Home Meet (originally June 19th)
- Tues, 7/15 - Home Meet
- Thurs, 7/17 - Home Meet
- Friday, 7/18 - Social Event

For more information, please check out this link:

[https://picketpostswimteam.swimtopia.com/swim\\_meets](https://picketpostswimteam.swimtopia.com/swim_meets)

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out!

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## Cubby Clothes Reminders

As the weather is warming up, remember to change out your child's spare cubby clothes accordingly! As a reminder, we recommend all children have extras of the following clothing items in their cubbies:

- Shirts
- Pants
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes

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## Classroom Happenings

### Infants

Summer has officially started! When we think of summer we think of going to the beach, and specifically animals in the ocean. This month we will be exploring different types of animals in the ocean

The first week we will be celebrating the 4th of July with a bang, each of the kids have a fiery and bright personality and we want to showcase that with lights in the sky. The rest of the month we will be looking at fascinating ocean animals like octopus, sharks, and dolphins. We are just super excited to have so much fun in the infant room this month!

### Young Todds

Welcome to July where summer is in full swing! It's a great time to explore nature, enjoy water play. Our themes of this month are as follows:

Independence week:

Happy Birthday America! In this week we will be focusing on self-help skills like dressing, feeding, getting ready by ourselves. We will be celebrating 4th of July using fun red, white and blue colors.

Camping week:

In this week we will be taking nature walks. We are going to sing campfire songs. If weather permits, we can even have an outdoor picnic as well!

Beach week:

There are going to be plenty of beach days ahead this Summer. We will play with water and sponges for our sensory activity this week.

Bubbles week:

Bubble activities can be both fun and educational for little children. We will be focusing on blowing bubbles with wands, also exploring bubble snakes with a sock and bottle, creating bubble art with paint and bubble solution.

Sports week:

In this week we will be introducing some exciting sports to our young Todd's like soccer ⚽, basketball 🏀 to develop their gross motor skills and balance.

## Toddlers

> This month we have exciting summer activities planned for camp. With each new week comes a new book to read, a new song to learn, and themes from our books. Our themes if this month are as follows:

> Week 1 - color me happy

> Week 2 - shake it out

> Week 3 - water, water everywhere

> Week 4 - Tuesday mixtures

> Over the course of this month we will be making new exciting crafts, exploring the world around us, learning new songs, learning new games, reading new books, and learning how to help one another to grow in amazing new ways.

## Beginner 1

We are in the heart of Summer and our summer camp is in full swing with hands-on learning activities, music, splash day, and fun adventures with our friends. Here's everything we will be learning in July.

Week 1: Happy Birthday America 🇺🇸. This week we will learn about our nation and the birth of American Independence. We will celebrate the 4th of July by creating festive patriotic artwork in Red White and Blue. We will read the book " The Night Before Fourth of July " by Natasha Wing.

Week 2: Summer is officially the travel season and we set out to explore the world through the travel adventures of Maisy and Peppa. We will read the books " Maisy Goes on a Plane " by Lucy Cousins and Peppa's Bus Trip and introduce children to the joys of travel and encourage curiosity to see the world.

Week 3: We will deep dive to explore the depth of the sea as we are intrigued to learn about incredible sea creatures and their habitats. We will read the book " Way Down Deep In The Deep Blue Sea " by Jan Peck.

Week 4: " Ahoy, Mateys " says Captain Pete as he sets sail on a daring high sea adventure in his big ship. Did he find a Treasure map to Secret Island? Well, we will find out as we read the book " Pete



The Cat And The Treasure Map ” by James Dean.

We wish you a safe and Happy 4th of July!!

Ms. Suman & Ms. Brynne

## Beginner 2

July? Wait, What? How is that possible? We are having a great time as we "Embrace the Adventure" in Summer Camp. We loved watching the clown Judy Tudy and her bunny Cosmo. Our Splash Days have been fun, with lots of laughs! Please remember to send your child ready every Monday! Your child should come too school wearing their bathing suit, water shoes and sunscreen. Please send along a change of clothing and a towel! Most importantly label everything with your child's name.

**Our first week** of July will have us celebrating the 4th of July as we have red, white and blue snow cones! We will create firework projects, and we will even have the 4th off!

**Week 2** brings The Amazing Spaghetti as we create different food projects this week.

**Week 3** we will be doing Scientific experiences, and we will have a Science Hero show on Friday!

**Week 4** brings us to Oliver Rocks - Painting rocks for Childhood Cancer Awareness!

**Week 5** has a show with Scales and Tails! We will create other animals this week!

Parent Reminders:

- Please update your child's spare clothing
- Send a water bottle every day for outside play
- We are still collecting Summer Sensory Table Items
- We are in need of vinegar, baking soda and food coloring for our upcoming experiments

As always, thank you for your continued support!

## Intermediates

Summer is in full swing, and we're diving into an exciting month of discovery, celebration, and fun! Welcome our new families joining us in Intermediates. We cannot wait to have a great summer! We will normally send weekly reminders through Tadpoles and if you have any questions please reach out to Ms.Alexis or Ms.Emily! Lets see what we are doing in July!

### Week 1: 4th of July!

We will celebrate this day by creating fun themed crafts! What is Independence Day? When did it begin? What can you do when celebrating?

### Week 2: Camping

Get ready to roll out your sleeping bags! From pretend campfires to bug hunts and nature crafts, we're turning the classroom and playground into an outdoor adventure

### Week 3: Under the Sea

We're going on an underwater adventure! This week, we'll explore marine life and the wonders of the ocean.

### Week 4: Outdoor Science

Time to become little scientists! We'll use the great outdoors to experiment, observe, and learn.

## Pre-K

Dear Parents & Families,

We're splashing into a summer full of wonder, learning, and fun! July is packed with exciting themed weeks that will take our little campers on unforgettable adventures, no passport needed! From sandy shores to forest floors, zoo doors, and underwater galore, here's what to look forward to:

#### Week 1 (June 30–July 4): Beach Week

We're diving into Beach Week with oceans of fun! Campers will:

- Build "sandcastles" (indoor and outdoor sensory fun!)
- Learn about ocean animals
- Enjoy water play and moving and grooving like sea creatures
- Explore sea shells

*☀ Please send your child in their swimsuits on Thursdays with a change of clothes and bring a towel, as always sunscreen in the morning!*

**Friday July 4th there is NO School!**

#### Week 2 (July 7–11): Camping Week

Get ready for a wilderness adventure! Campers will:

- "Camp" in tents and with the help of paint create campfires!
- Make binoculars and go on nature scavenger hunts
- Learn about animals that live in the forest
- Create a S'mores sensory bin and sing campfire songs

*🔥 If anyone would like to let us borrow anything camping related it would be more than appreciated*

#### Week 3 (July 15–19): Zoo Week

It's a wild week ahead! Campers will:

- Explore different zoo animals and their habitats
- Make masks and animal art
- Enjoy animal-themed snacks
- Practice their best animal sounds in our very own Jungle Jamboree

*🦋 Dress up in your favorite animal shirts all week long!*

#### Week 4 (July 22–26): Aquarium Week

Let's dive deep! Campers will:

- Discover sea creatures through books and songs
- Create jellyfish crafts, fish prints, and bubble art
- Build a mini-aquarium as a class
- Learn the difference between ocean and freshwater animals

*🐠 Friday is "Under the Sea Day"—wear blue or come dressed as your favorite sea creature!*

#### Reminders:

- **Closed Friday, July 4** for Independence Day 🇺🇸
- Label all belongings (towels, water bottles, hats, etc.)
- Apply sunscreen before camp; we will reapply in the afternoon
- **PLEASE** replace winter spare clothes for appropriate summer time clothing, such as, shorts, t shirts, socks, underwear.

Thank you for letting us be a part of your child's summer! We can't wait for another month of giggles, learning, and summer magic. 💖

**With sunny smiles,**

*Ms.Racheal and Mx.Hannah*

## **Pre-K 2**

Summertime is in full swing this July! Students have been given a special camp necklace to bring home at the end of the summer. Each week we are focusing on different positive attributes we hope to encourage and develop in our students. From creativity, to honesty, to bravery, to teamwork, our friends are earning a new badge to add to their necklaces each week.

**Thursdays are our splash days:** bathing suits, towels, goggles, new sunscreen, etc.  
**closed toed shoes only!**

### Week 1

- Earning our 'Camp All Star' badge: focus on gratitude
- What is the 4th of July? How can we show gratitude while we celebrate?
- Red, white, and blue snow cones on Wednesday

### Week 2

- Earning our 'Reaching New Heights' badge: focus on honesty
- How does being honest and trustworthy help us accomplish new things?
- The Amazing Spaghetti, the magician, visiting Wednesday

### Week 3

- Earning our 'Team Player' badge: focus on fairness
- What are some activities and skills that work best when working together?
- Science Heroes show Friday morning

### Week 4

- Earning our 'Science Exploration' badge: focus on cooperation
- What is a co-op? Are there different kinds? What can we accomplish as a group?
- Rock painting on Friday for Childhood Cancer Awareness

### Week 5

- Earning our 'Kids Helping Kids' badge: focus on generosity
- What can we be generous with, besides physical objects?
- Build it Higher relay races on Friday, practicing teamwork!

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