

WELCOME to Kaleidoscope 2011! We are once again at THE PIKE SCHOOL, 34 Sunset Rock Road, Andover.

This entire letter can also now be viewed on our website. (www.kaleidoscopekids.com/welcome2011.html)

IMPORTANT: Traffic must enter on Sunset Rock Road and exit onto Hidden Road. Please do not exit the way that you enter, as this is illegal and extremely hazardous. Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.

Dear Kaleidoscope 2011 student(s) and parents,

The Kaleidoscope teachers and aides are anxious to meet over 700 returning and first-time students who are enrolled this summer (our thirty-first).

Your confirmation postcard, which you received upon enrollment, lists the classes in which your child(ren) is/are enrolled. If you have any questions about this, please contact us at (978) 475-1422 or at mypopcorn2@aol.com.

- All courses are at Pike School, 34 Sunset Rock Rd., Andover.
- Our phone number is (978) 475-1197, Ext. 6618. The clinic extension is 6607. Extended Day (between 3 and 5 PM) is 6603. Before July 5 and in the evenings and on weekends, please continue to use our year-round phone (978-475-1422).

Separate letters will be e-mailed or mailed to students enrolled in our Early Care, Extended Day and/or Late Care Programs. It is not too late to register for these programs. (per diem rates are \$10 for Early Care and \$20 for Extended Day)

Students registered for Early Care can be dropped off in the Dining Room beginning at 8:00 AM. **Laura Cedrone** is the supervisor.

Students in Extended Day (until 5:00 PM) and Late Care (until 6:00 PM) must be signed out from the Dining Room. Mrs. Colleen Dolan is the Extended Day Director.

LUNCHTIME PROCEDURES If your child is registered for both an AM and a PM class, please **PACK A LUNCH** that does not require refrigeration. Every student staying for lunch will be met at 11:30 by an aide, who will spend the entire lunch period with his/her small group of students in an area supervised by teachers. The aide will accompany each child to the appropriate afternoon classroom each day. Please be

assured that we will do everything possible to guarantee a smooth transition for your child.

SEPARATION

Parents of pre-school children are asked to make good-byes as brief as possible on the first day, as we find most children adjust very quickly once activities have begun. We also suggest making every effort to arrive on time, as this makes separation easier. If you feel you want to stay in the building until you are sure your child is okay, you are welcome to stay in the lobby rather than the classroom. Also, if there is anything we should know in advance to make your child more comfortable, please tell us!

ALLERGIES

Please let us know IN ADVANCE of any allergies or specific medical needs. Call (978) 475-1422 to obtain the necessary forms. Or, you may download them from our website. You must complete an authorization form for each medication, which must be brought in the original container. Our nurse, Jan Chetelat, will be there to review your child's needs with you but the paperwork should be completed in advance. That way we have time to notify all of your child's teachers.

ROOM NUMBERS

Specific room numbers can be found on page 5. Double-digit rooms beginning with "1" (11, 12, etc.) are located on the first floor in the Lower School wing. Double-digit room numbers beginning with "2" are in the Middle School wing (second floor—use stairs or elevator). Triple-digit rooms are located in the new Dahod Center or in the Upper School (turn right once you enter the main lobby).

REGISTRATION

* On each Monday, anyone who has **not** pre-registered **must** use the main entrance in the front of the building. (Short-term parking in a **single** lane in front of this entrance is permitted on **Mondays only**.) You will need to submit your medical/pickup authorization form (page 6 of this letter) inside this entrance. Please complete this form **in advance** and **list the codes of all courses** that your child(ren) is (are) taking; this will significantly expedite enrollment. Please note the names of all people authorized to pick up your child (including parents) and notify us if this changes at any time. We **CANNOT** release your child to anyone whose name is not on this form unless you send a specific note. If someone other than a parent is dropping children off on the first day, it is imperative that the **parent** has signed this form in advance. Once this form has been turned in, take your child directly to the classroom to meet his/her teacher. There will be aides and signs in the hallways to help you find the correct locations.

* **NOTE:** You can also mail or fax this form. **This is highly recommended.** If you have pre-registered, you will receive a green pre-registration pass, and you will be able to enter through either the main door or other designated entry points without stopping at the registration desk.

SIGN-OUT PROCEDURES

* **Adults must sign each child in and out from the classrooms.** Because teachers also need to have lunch in a very short window (11:35-11:55), we ask that you pick your child(ren) up promptly at 11:30 (or 2:30). If someone else is dropping off or picking up your child(ren), please be sure that they know the room number(s). That will enable

us to better assist them in finding the correct location.

EXCEPTION: If your child is currently in 4th, 5th or 6th grade, and he/she **does not** have younger siblings, you will be able to use the drive-through pick-up in the first parking lot on your right as you enter the school grounds. **Call our office as soon as possible if you would like to take advantage of this option.** Your child will be signed out by our staff and supervised at that entrance until you pick him/her up at 11:30 (or 2:30).

- * No child will be dismissed from the classroom unless the office has received a note from you and has notified your child's teacher. Children may walk or ride a bike home if you have notified us in writing. We appreciate your cooperation, as your child's safety is our mutual concern.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- * On Monday, if your child's nametag has a red dot on it, that means he/she is staying for lunch.
- * If the nametag has a blue dot on it, that means your child is part of the Extended Day group. An aide will

sign him/her in with the Extended Day teachers each day.

- * It is very important to pick your child up promptly. However, we are aware that there occasionally may be an emergency, in which case we will do everything possible to accommodate your child. Please contact us if you should have a problem. If your child is not picked up, we will take him/her to the cafeteria to join the extended day group, where supervision is provided. You will find your child there. **Please do not worry or rush to get here;** we will make sure your child is happy and safe until you arrive.
- * Each class takes a supervised ten minute snack break midway through the morning/afternoon, so children should bring a snack (or two). **We sell bags of freshly-popped popcorn for \$1.50 at snack time and at lunch (no peanut oil), as well as cold "juice boxes" and water bottles (\$1.00). On Fridays, July 15, 22 and 29, Richie's Slush will be sold for \$2.00.** Popcorn and slush

proceeds benefit our scholarship fund.

- * We have re-ordered and are once again selling our very popular **Kaleidoscope T-shirts** in a choice of vibrant colors. They can be purchased anytime during the program for **\$12** each and can be found in the office as well as outside at arrival and dismissal. This year we have ordered tie-dyed shirts in all sizes and colors; they are available for **\$15**.
- * Check the special requests on the pp. 3-4 to see if there is anything your teacher has requested that you bring to class.

CHECK HERE FOR THE DATES AND TIMES OF YOUR COURSES!!!

AM courses: 9:00-11:30 AM daily
PM courses: 12:00-2:30 PM daily

Codes	AM/PM	Dates
10	9:00-2:30	July 5-8
11	9:00-2:30	July 11-15
12-39	AM	July 11-15
40-67	PM	July 11-15
68-70	9:00-2:30	July 18-22
71-98	AM	July 18-22
99-124	PM	July 18-22
125-152	AM	July 25-29
153-175	PM	July 25-29

COURSES THAT STILL HAVE LIMITED OPENINGS (COURSES NOT LISTED HERE ARE FULL):

Session 1 (July 11-15) Morning (9-11:30 AM Daily)	Afternoon (12-2:30 PM)	Session 2 (July 18-22) Morning (9-11:30 AM)	Afternoon (12:00-2:30 PM)
12 Meet Mother Goose	40 Disney Delights	68 Adventures in Science	99 Solar System Science
13 Adventure Theater	42 Adventure Theater	71 Young Chefs	100 Kids' Book Club
16 Understanding Animals	43 Under the Sea	72 Solar System Science	101 Construction Zone
20 Manny Manners	44 Blast Off	73 Disney Delights	102 Castle Adventures
22 Painting	45 Lego Mania	74 Castle Adventures	104 Soccer Savvy
24 Treasure Island	46 Understanding Animals	76 Markers & Melodies	105 Toy-Making
25 Magic School Bus	48 Science Sampler	81 Hoop Stars	106 Penguins on Parade
28 Destination ImagiNation	49 Fabric and Foam Fantasies	83 Eric Carle Author Study	107 Treasure Island
32 Chess	52 Geology	84 Math Fun	108 Munching on Math
33 Puppet Workshop	53 Celebrations	85 Fabric & Foam Fantasies	109 Science or Wizardry
36 Rocket Launch	55 Off to Camp	86 Penguins on Parade	110 Flight
38 Ecosystem Explorations	56 Hair Design	87 Kitchen Chemistry	112 Arts-a-Palooza
39 American Red Cross Babysitting/First Aid	57 Mystery Madness	88 T-shirt Madness	113 Trash to Treasure
	60 Ecosystem Exploration	90 Rocket Launch	114 Off to Italy
	61 Jump Rope Jubilee	91 Digital Photography	116 Chess
	62 Concert Tour	92 Balloon Twisting	117 Author Author
	63 Drawing	93 Rock Band	118 Cartooning
	64 Rocket Launch	95 Sculpture	119 Codes & Ciphers
	65 Painting	96 French	120 Scrapbooking
	66 CSI Investigations	97 Extreme Survivor	121 Invention Convention
	67 American Red Cross Babysitting/First Aid	98 Website Design	122 Jr. Electronics
			123 Rock Band
			124 CSI Investigations

OPEN COURSES FOR SESSION 3

Session 3 (July 25-29) Morning (9-11:30 AM Daily)		Afternoon (12-2:30PM Daily)
125 Butterflies, Bugs and Beyond	142 Outside the Box	153 Imagination Station
126 Disney Delights	143 Math Challenge	154 Garden Party
127 Int. Young Chefs	144 Trash to Treasure	155 Spanish
128 Discovering Dinosaurs	145 Rocket Launch	156 Say Yes to Mess
129 Spanish	146 House & Building Design	157 Discovering Dinosaurs
130 Garden Party	147 Guitar and more	158 Magic School Bus Adv.
131 Movin' and Groovin'	149 Mass Media Blast	160 Instrument-Making
135 Magic School Bus Adv.	150 Improv Theater	162 Remote Control
136 Math Fun	152 Animals and Art	164 Science Sampler
137 Computer Capers		166 Animals and Art
138 Jewelry-Making		167 Sport Camp
139 Kitchen Chemistry		168 Flight
140 Say Yes to Mess		169 Game-Making
141 Invention Convention		170 Mask-Making
		171 Cartooning
		172 Play Production

Save July 20 : Discovery Toys Sale!

Jan Peters, longtime Kaleidoscope teacher and Discovery Toys Representative will bring these wonderful educational toys to Kaleidoscope, where you can browse and buy. Toys will be on display in the front lobby from 8:00 AM-3:00 PM and can also be ordered by contacting Jan at jpeters820@aol.com.

Summary of Special Events 2010:

July 13 & 14: Usborne Books Fair
 July 20 : Discovery Toys Sale
 July 22: "The Emperor's New Clothes" (2:45)
 July 27: Barefoot Books Sale

SAVE JULY 13, 14, AND 27! BOOK FAIRS!

Usborne Books will visit Kaleidoscope on July 13 and 14, and Barefoot Books will join us on July 27. Outstanding books, CDs, puzzles, puppets and more will be available for purchase at the school on those days, and you may also order items for later delivery. Don't miss the opportunity to explore these materials and to speak with representatives from these excellent companies. The sales will take place in the front lobby of the school. Note: You can also view these products on the companies' web-sites directly linked to www.kaleidoscopekids.com. **(Proceeds benefit our Scholarship Fund.)**

"The Emperor's New Clothes", presented by Kaleidoscope's very own Musical Theater class, will be performed in the theater on Friday, July 22, at 2:45 PM. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the front desk or at the door. See our website for more details.

Special Requests

All teachers have asked that children wear comfortable "older" clothing, as most of our courses are "hands on."

Adventures in Science: A separate letter will be mailed.

Author Author: Bring a favorite photo of yourself for your author page.

Blast Off: Please bring a shoebox with a cover.

Dance Explosion: Bring a plain white T-shirt to class on **Monday**.

Extreme Survivor: Please wear sneakers (no open shoes)

Fabric and Foam: Dress in play clothes; we will be using paints and although we are careful, some mediums will stain. Also, please send in a white or pastel pillow case on Monday.

Flight: Bring sunscreen and/or hat for protection.

House & Building Design: A separate letter will be mailed.

Kid Concoctions: Please bring a full change of clothes in a Ziploc bag with child's name. Please label clothing.

Castle Adventures: Cardboard rolls from paper towels, toilet paper, gift wrap, etc. are appreciated. Due to medieval theme, there are references to weapons in

some stories. However, there is no "creative play" alluding to weapons. Play swords, etc. should not be brought to class. Please bring a shoebox with cover.

Flight: You will need sunscreen as many activities are outdoors.

Mystery Madness: If you have the game "Clue" or "Guess Who" and are willing to share, please bring them in.

Painting: Bring a smock (an old T-shirt or long-sleeved shirt) as we will work with acrylic paints. You will be creating a self-portrait so please print a favorite 5x7 photo of yourself.

Pets & Pet Care: Please bring a clear **plastic** tall container with a lid (about the size of a mayonnaise jar).

Rocket Launch: You will need sunscreen and/or a hat for protection. A smock or old shirt will protect clothing from paint. Rocket launches take place on **Thursdays**, about 45 minutes after the class begins, weather permitting. *If you want to watch the launch, stop at the front desk and we will direct you to the launch site.*

Science or Wizardry: Please bring a plain white T-shirt on **Monday**.

T-Shirt Madness: Please bring three (3) plain **pre-washed** white T-shirts to class on **Monday**. A smock or old shirt is desirable to protect your clothes.

Treasure Island: Please bring a plain white T-shirt.

Video Live: Bring in your favorite book.

Young Chefs and Intl. Young Chefs: It is **very important** to notify us **IN ADVANCE** of any allergies.

Webkinz Kids: Please bring a plain white T-shirt as well as the username and password for your Webkinz account. (if you have one)

NOTE: All classes that meet in the **GYM** (Soccer Savvy, Jump Rope Jubilee, Hoop Stars, Sports Camp) **require** the use of **white-soled sneakers only**. Black-soled shoes are not allowed.

***For those who come from a distance and would like to spend time in the Andover area while your children are at Kaleidoscope, check our website for suggestions. A list of activities can also be found at the reception desk in our front lobby.**

Kindness Counts 2011

To all
Kaleidoscope
Kids and
Parents:

In 1998 Kaleidoscope decided to choose a theme, and we chose "Kindness Counts". It has been so successful that we have decided to re-emphasize the same message



We know—and you know—that kids can't be happy and kids can't learn if they are subjected to unkind behavior. Fortunately, we have rarely had this sort of problem at Kaleidoscope.

However, we have decided to restate our "zero tolerance" policy for unkind behavior to assure you that we will never accept it for any reason whatsoever.

Some people say, "Oh, kids will be kids" when a child is mean to another child. We disagree. We think that kids are much better than that. We think that kids will respond at a much higher level if the adults in their world expect it of them.

We are asking that you just take a moment to tell your child that his/her Kaleidoscope experiences will be fun

Staff Additions and Changes:

Dance Explosion: Jennifer Cote

Lego Mania (23A and 45A): Amy Pinciak

Lego Mania (23B and 45B): Skylar Washburn

Painting: David Ingenthron will replace Alicia Fine

Science or Wizardry: Dan Peikin will join Linda Kane

Science Sampler(133 &164):Dan Peikin will replace Matt Walsh.

Trash to Treasure: Skylar Washburn will replace Donna Cloney.

and safe and kind. Please remind him/her that children from many towns come to this program, and some kids do not know anyone else here when they arrive. Taking a moment to be friendly and to reach out to new friends will benefit every child. Our staff and student aides will, of course, do the same.

We look forward to this, our thirty-first wonderful summer, and to seeing and meeting the fabulous (and kind) kids that make our program so special

Directions to Pike School, 34 Sunset Rock Road, Andover, Massachusetts:

Please note that directions are on our website (www.kaleidoscopekids.com).

Please go to the Directions Link where you can enter your address to find the most direct route to the Pike School. The entrance to the school is on **Sunset Rock Road**. This is a **one-way** entrance. You will exit onto Hidden Road, which will lead to Main Street (Route 28) in Andover (south if you head right and north if you head left once you exit the school grounds).

NOTE: If you are lost, call us at (978) 475-1197 Extension 6618 and we will help you!

KALEIDOSCOPE CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Adv. in Science	Room 13	Kitchen Chemistry	Room 177
Adv. Theater	Room 13	Lego Mania (23 & 45)	Room 27
Aide Internship	Room 151	Lego Mania (23A & 45A)	Room 28
Amazing Races	Room 177	Lego Mania (23B & 45B)	Room 26
American Girls	Room 23	Lego Robotics	Tech Lab
Am. Red Cross Babysitting	Room 176	Magic School Bus Adv.	Room 20
Animals & Art	Room 176	Manny Manners	Room 179
Arts-a-Palooza	Room 150	Marble Machine Madness	Room 125 & theater
Art Smart	Room 152	Markers and Melodies	Room 150
Author Author	Room 23	Mask-Making	Room 152
Balloon Twisting	Room 28	Mass Media Blast	Room 23
Blast Off	Room 12	Math Challenge	Room 12
Butterflies, Bugs & Beyond	Room 15	Math Fun	Room 11
Cartooning	Room 155	Meet Mother Goose	Pre-K Room
Castle Adventures	Room 12	Movin' and Groovin'	Room 150
Celebrations	Room 20	Munching on Math	Room 11
Ceramics	Room 152	Musical Theater	Drama Room 136
Chess	Room 25	Mystery Madness	Room 23
Clinic	Room 117	Never-Ending Stories	Room 27
Codes & Ciphers	Room 174	Off-Loom Weaving	Room 152
Computer Capers	Technology Lab	Off to Camp	Room 15
Concert Tour	Room 150	Off to Italy	Room 14
Construction Zone	Room 20	Origami Projects	Room 18
CSI Investigation	Room 177	Outside the Box	Room 155
Dance Explosion	Room 151	Painting	Room 158A
Destination ImagiNation	Room 183	Penguins on Parade	Room 26
Digital Photography	Room 155	Pets & Pet Care	Room 14
Discovering Dinosaurs	Room 21	Play Production	Drama Room 136
Disney Delights	Room 14	Puppet Workshop	Room 18
Domino Physics	Room 125	Remote Control	Room 25
Drawing	Room 155	Rock Band	Room 151
Early Care Room	Dining Room	Rocket Launch	Room 22
Ecosystem Explorations	Room 181	Say Yes to Mess	Room 185
Eric Carle Author Study	Room 16	Science or Wizardry	Room 21
Extended Day Location	Dining Room	Science Sampler (#48)	Room 174
Extreme Survivor	Room 174	Science Sampler (133 & 164)	Room 26
Fabric & Foam Fantasies	Room 185	Scrapbooking	Room 28
Flight	Room 22	Sculpture	Room 152
French	Room 24	Sketchbook Skills	Room 155
Fun Physics	Room 25	Soccer Savvy	Gymnasium
Game-Making	Room 10	Solar System Science	Room 10
Garden Party	Room 16	Spanish	Room 24
Geology	Room 25	Sport Camp	Gymnasium
Golf Club	Room 174	T-Shirt Madness	Room 181
Guitar and More	Room 179	Theater for Kids	Drama Room 136
Hair Design	Room 24	Toy-Making	Room 27
Hoop Stars	Gymnasium	Trash to Treasures	Room 183
House & Building Design	Room 125	Treasure Island	Room 15
Imagination Station	Room 27	Und. Animals (16 & 46)	Room 10
Improv Theater	Room 28	Und. Animals (16A & 46A)	Room 11
Instrument-Making	Room 150	Under the Sea	Room 16
International Young Chefs	Room 18	Video Live	Room 23
Invention Convention	Room 158A	Webkinz Kids	Room 181
Jewelry-Making	Room 152	Website Design	Technology Lab
Jr. Electronics	Room 176	Young Chefs (71 & 103)	Room 17
Jump Rope Jubilee	Gymnasium	Young Chefs (103A)	Room 18
Kaleidoscope Office	Multi-Purpose Room		
Kid Concoctions	Room 17		
Kids' Book Club	Room 185		

MEDICAL FORM — IMPORTANT!!

NOTE: If you mail or fax (978-475-1422) this completed form back to us no later than June 20, we will send you a pass that will enable you to bypass the registration desk and go directly to your child's classroom. Our address is: Kaleidoscope, Box 506, Andover, MA 01810. All sections MUST be completed. TWO SIGNATURES are required (emergency consent and pick-up authorization sections). Note the "X" where signatures are required. Forms not signed in both places will be returned.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THIS FORM. IF YOU DO NOT MAIL OR FAX IT IN ADVANCE, BRING IT WITH YOU ON THE FIRST DAY YOUR CHILD ATTENDS THE PROGRAM. If you have any medication, an epipen, an inhaler or any other special item for your child, please give it to our nurse, she will have possession of these items at all times unless other arrangements have been made with you.

Child's Name: _____ Child's Date of Birth: _____
 Child's Name: _____ Child's Date of Birth: _____
 Child's Name: _____ Child's Date of Birth: _____
 Address _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone: _____ Emergency Phone Number(s): (cell) _____
 (work) _____ Other contact _____
 Child(ren)'s doctor _____ Doctor's Phone Number _____
 Insurance Company _____ Insurance Policy # _____
 Please list any allergies. Child: _____ Allergy: _____
 Please list any medications that your child(ren) take(s) at home: _____

Emergency Consent Form: I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian of above named child(ren) will not hold Kaleidoscope, its agents, servants or employees responsible for any accidents incurred during participation in the Kaleidoscope program. If parents or doctor cannot be reached in case of emergency, consent is hereby given that the student receive medical treatment and/or surgical care as recommended by physician or hospital.

X _____
Parent's Signature Date

Pick-Up Authorization Form

★ (LIST COURSE NUMBERS IN WHICH CHILD IS ENROLLED)

NOTE: Parent signature **required** even if parent(s) is/are only person/people authorized to pick up child(ren).

Last Name _____
 Child's Name _____ Course #'s _____
 Child's Name _____ Course #'s _____
 Child's Name _____ Course #'s _____

The person (people) authorized to pick up my child(ren) is (are) **(include child's parents)**: _____

___ My child is in the EXTENDED DAY program.
___ My child is in a carpool with the following children: _____

X Parent signature (required) _____ Date _____

Note: If someone other than a parent/legal guardian will bring your child on the first day, please be sure to complete and sign this form in advance!