

Courses for Kids at the Hosmer



Courses For Kids is part of Watertown Community Education. It provides enrichment courses for elementary school students after school.

KARATE

Grades K-5

Martial Arts is good, clean fun for kids...and a great way to give kids a head start in life. They'll learn the positive benefits of self-discipline and confidence, develop coordination and increase strength and flexibility. *Craig S. Craig (Nidan, 2nd Degree Black belt) is the chief instructor and owner of Craig's Kempo Karate Academy. He has over 12 years of Martial Arts experience.*

8 Mondays 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29 **2:35-3:30** **\$115**

\$30 fee for uniform and \$15 fee for those who wish to test to be paid directly to the instructor. Please give these checks to the instructor made out to Craig's Kempo Karate after you have received paperwork from the instructor.

SCRABBLE CLUB

Grades 3-5

Join our scrabble club after school. Scrabble promotes learning in new and exciting ways. Scrabble teaches students about a wide range of topics and engages them in discussions with their teachers, their families and each other about spelling accuracy, vocabulary building, the meaning and use of words, addition and multiplication math facts, mental math as well as building self confidence, dictionary skills, teamwork, enhanced spatial awareness and decision making skills. Have fun while you learn! *Denise Ford is a longtime teacher assistant at the Hosmer and a scrabble enthusiast.*

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ALL ABOUT ANIMALS

Grades K-2

What do you know about animals? What animals live right here in Massachusetts? Come find out more about animals – how they move, how they catch their food, and how they survive in winter. Explore different groups of animals – mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and arthropods and what adaptations individuals have that enable them to thrive. There will be stories, games and activities, specimens and an animal visitor or two. Dress for the weather (warm jackets, boots, hats and mittens). We will go outside each week. *This course is offered by Mass. Audubon/Habitat.*

8 Tuesdays 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23 **2:35-3:30** **\$115**

NEW!!!

WOODWORKING

Grades 3-5

This is a hands-on course! Using hammers and screwdrivers, students will build a different project each week. You learn the proper use of tools - hammers and screwdrivers. Make all sorts of toys and useful items like boats, cars, stools, boxes, doll bed and more. Roll up your sleeves and have a great time. Fee includes supplies. *Bob LeDuc is the owner of Wooden Toys and Crafts in Marlboro and has been building toys with children for over ten years.*

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AFRICAN DRUMMING

Grades K-5

Give your child a rich musical experience as they explore traditional rhythms and songs from around the world. Utilizing exercise, song, movement, drumming and games, students develop a strong internal pulse, listening skills and learn the joy of drumming and the power of working together in ensemble play! Plus it's a whole lot of FUN. *Rhythmkids is an exciting music, movement, and drumming program designed to integrate rhythm into children's lives. The fee includes the \$20 materials fee.*

8 Tuesdays 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23 **2:35-3:30** **\$135**

Play & Learn SPANISH

GRADES Pre-K & K

Designed for our youngest learners. Using song and movement, children act out many verbs and also visit an imaginary zoo and toy store in Mexico. They learn the names of animals and their favorite toys. On the way to the zoo and toy store, they learn the colors of the traffic lights and obey the signals. They wash their hands to a song and then prepare a native dish. Passwords mirror simple expressions used in families: "Watch out! Hurry up! Shall we go? Is this yours? Sleep well. I love you." *Global Child Inc. has been offering world language classes since 1992 to thousands of children in Massachusetts in public and private schools. The fee includes the \$25 materials fee.*

8 Wednesdays 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/31, 4/7 **2:35-3:30** **\$140**

BEGINNING SPANISH

Grades 1-5

This is a continuation of first semester. NEW students are welcomed to join! Children learn to talk about their families, pets, favorite day of the week, birthdays. They learn to spell their names in Spanish. Timed games inspire them to put the mixed-up days and months in the correct order. They learn phrases like "Where's my breakfast? Where's my toothbrush? What day is it? I'm hungry. My birthday is August 16." *Global Child Inc. has been offering world language classes since 1992 to thousands of children in Massachusetts in public and private schools. The fee includes the \$25 materials fee.*

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MAD SCIENCE OF GREATER BOSTON. "Mad Science: Little World, Big World" Grades PK-K

Join the Mad Science hands-on science fun. We're crazy about science...and hope you are too! In this program, we'll have a blast exploring lots of fun science and how it affects the world around us. There will be exciting hands-on activities, spectacular demonstrations, and inquiry-based discussions. We'll learn about light and shadows; dinosaurs; acids and bases; and the science behind magic. We'll also investigate outer space, build our own structures, and discover the mysteries of chemistry and matter by exploring how molecules interact with each other! Each class has its very own take-home to continue the science experience! **(No classes on early release days)**

8 Wednesdays 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/31, 4/7 2:30-3:30 \$115

MAD SCIENCE OF GREATER BOSTON. "Crazy Chemworks!" Grades 1-5

Join the Mad Science hands-on science fun. We're crazy about science...and hope you are too! In this program, we'll have a blast exploring *chemistry* and how it affects the world around us. There will be exciting hands-on activities, spectacular demonstrations, and inquiry-based discussions. We'll learn about the tools scientists use in their laboratories; atoms, molecules, and reactions; acids and bases; and fluorescence and phosphorescence. We'll also examine and investigate super sticky things by exploring suction, hydrogen bonding and static cling and see some very *cool* dry ice demonstrations! The best part is that each week we'll be able to continue the science fun at home with our very own lab ware take-homes!

(No Classes on early release days)

8 Wednesdays 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/31, 4/7 2:30-3:30 \$115

BEGINNING CHINESE. Grades K-5

A continuation of Level One. New students are welcome! Basic language concepts in Mandarin are continued, with the use of games, rhymes and skits. Songs and handouts reinforce the topics covered: family, days of the week, feelings, directions.

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8 Thursdays 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 2:35-3:30 \$140

CHESS CLUB Grades 1-5

In this club students will learn about the chessboard, how to move the pieces, checkmate, basic strategy as well as play the instructor and each other. *Steve Frymer is Class A rated Chess player, teaches in the Newton after school programs and teaches private lessons.*

8 Thursdays 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 2:35-3:30 \$115

NEW!!!!

ABRAKIDABRA! HOCUS POCUS! Grades 3-5

Learn the secrets of magic with "Best of Boston" Award-Winning magician Mike Bent. From card tricks to sleight-of-hand, you'll learn how to amaze and amuse your friends and family with baffling feats of magic and legerdemain. This 4-week session will get you started on the path to becoming a real magician! *Mike Bent started performing magic when he was six years old and is now a full-time professional magician. He has performed at the White House three times, and recently, won the Nickelodeon Parent's Pick Award for "Boston's Best Children's Entertainer!"*

4 Fridays 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26 2:30-3:30 \$70

DEADLINE TO ENROLL IS January 14th
PLEASE SEND REGISTRATIONS TO THE HOSMER MAIN OFFICE.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This program meets at the Hosmer and is open to all students in Grades PreK-5. It is offered as part of Watertown Community Education. For more information call Rita Foglia 617-926-7764 or rfoglia@watertown.k12.ma.us. If possible, please e-mail for a quicker response.

PROGRAM DATES AND TIMES Please refer to individual course descriptions for dates courses meet. Most classes run from 2:35 to 3:35 PM unless otherwise noted. Some classes do not meet on days when there is early dismissal. Confirmations will be sent home with students.

GETTING TO AND FROM COURSES FOR KIDS After dismissal from school at 2:35 PM, the attendance monitor will meet children in the front lobby of the Hosmer School office and escort them to the correct room. Your child's classroom teacher will also have a list of children taking courses. The attendance monitor ensures all children leave the program safely. Students should be picked up at the door by the flagpole on Concord Rd. If your student is a regular bus rider, there may be a late bus depending on enrollment. All students will be brought to the door at 3:30, unless going to extended day. Children will not be allowed to walk home without written permission from Parent/Guardian. We would appreciate children being picked up on time. There will be a late fee assessed at \$10 per every ten minutes that a parent is late.

CONDUCT Courses are offered as an enrichment opportunity. Children are expected to follow the teacher's instructions and not to interfere with the learning experience, enjoyment and safety of other children. If a child is disruptive and does not heed the teacher's warnings, parents will be notified. If this does not resolve the situation, the child will be asked to leave the class. There is no refund and future enrollment is on a trial basis.

CANCELLED COURSES If Watertown Schools close, due to inclement weather, all courses are cancelled. If a class is cancelled due to teacher's illness or unforeseen circumstances, parents are notified by telephone and given a make-up date.

REFUNDS If a refund is due because of over or under enrollment, it will be sent as soon as possible. No refunds are issued once the course has begun.