

West Chester Friends School Summer Programs

We Are Delighted to Offer 10 Weeks of Enrichment and Fun!

Play School Friends, Little Friends,
Adventurers and Explorers
For Children in Rising Play School through Rising Sixth Grade

Weeks of June 9th, June 16th (closed Thursday, June 19th), June 23rd, June 30th (closed Thursday, July 3rd and Friday, July 4th), July 7th, July 14th, July 21st, July 28th, August 4th, August 11th

9 am to 3 pm

Before Care, Free of Charge: 8:30 am, by reservation After Care, \$15 first hour, \$10 second hour, 3 pm to 5 pm \$350 per child, per week

A \$10 deduction in cost will be made for each additional week a child attends (weeks do not need to be consecutive)

Welcome to Summer 2025 at WCFS

and an exciting slate of activities created especially for children in rising preschool through rising 6th grade.

These experiences are designed for children to enjoy together, in age-appropriate groups, with highly experienced teachers from WCFS and around the community. Each day provides unique opportunities for enrichment and creativity, to encourage students to discover and develop new interests and emerging talents. Children create...explore...and experience in the same supportive setting and nurturing community that West Chester Friends School provides all year long!

Each week focuses on the exploration of different themes, through art, science, music, fitness, gardening, games and literature activities, and including yoga, Spanish, dance and movement, water play days and ageappropriate, outdoor, on-campus assemblies. All activities are outdoors as much as possible, including Lunch on the Lawn,

Water Play Days and Runaround.

For Adventurers and Explorers, we offer Summer Climb Time, once each week for Language Arts and another for Math. These are 30-45-minute blocks during which campers spend time with our Learning Specialist maintaining and developing their skills. There is no charge for Summer Climb; students may participate in one or both Climbs.

These are enriching, exciting days, full of Summer Fun and Learning!

Please contact Susan McCardell with any questions at smccardell@wcfriends.org or 610-696-2615

Themes and Activities, Summer 2025

All activities are age-appropriate. Play School and Little Friends do not travel off campus, but will participate in campus "field trips" to the science lab, gym, gardens, etc., and enjoy all of our special visitors. Any activities that include food will feature ingredients that are appropriate for all of the campers in the group, including those with allergies, or who are vegan and gluten-free.

1 - June 9th - Straight from the Schoolyard to the Forest and the Sea! This is an off-campus week for interested Rising First and Second graders, with Teacher Michelle taking campers through summer days at Ches-Len Preserve, a gorgeous outdoor area that we travel to for Forest School Fridays throughout the school year. These are rain or shine days, with parents dropping off and picking up at Ches-Len.

For students who prefer to stay on campus, and for Play School and Little Friends, the focus will be on and around and under the sea! We'll explore stories, art and science projects appropriate for each age group!

- 2 June 16th (four days, no Thursday class) Art and the Artists
 Each day, students will learn about and create art in the style of a particular artist, including many connected to our region, including the Wyeths, Horace Pippin, Mary Cassatt and many others! Older campers will take walking trips to visit West Chester sites associated with some of the artists.
- 3 June 23rd Science on Campus: From the Great Lawn to the Lab!
 Students will participate in lots of age-appropriate experiments and observations on our beautiful campus, including on our great, big lawn, with the sundial and our beautiful variety of trees, and also in our science lab, designed specifically for young scientists!
- 4 June 30th (three days, no Thursday or Friday) Parks and Recreation
 There are so many fun "pocket parks" in the borough, and we're going to visit a few this week,
 including the splash features at John O. Green Memorial park! Play School and Little Friends
 campers will spend lots of time on the swings, in the sandbox and on the climbers!
 We'll also tie-dye, make popsicles and enjoy other summertime fun!
- 5 July 8th BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: HALLOWEEN IN JULY!!

 Campers will make masks, learn a trick or two from a visiting magician, focus on bats in science, enjoy (!) a not-that-spooky tour of the meetinghouse basement, have a tricky scavenger hunt, and make some crafty (not candy) treats! At the end of the week, we'll wear our costumes and trick-or-treat at Treat Stations across campus!

6 - July 14th - Forest and Games from Around the World

Another opportunity for an off-campus week for interested Rising First and Rising Second graders, with Teacher Michelle taking campers through summer days at Ches-Len Preserve, a gorgeous outdoor area that we travel to for Forest School Fridays throughout the school year.

These are rain or shine days, with parents dropping off and picking up at Ches-Len.

Campers who prefer to stay on campus, and Play School and Little Friends, will enjoy a Games from Around the World week, learning and playing all kinds of games, traditional, international and new (we'll even create a few!).

7 - July 21st - Farm Week

We are excited about welcoming the farm animals back to campus, learning about bees and tasting local honey, creating portraits of our resident chickens, square dancing, painting pots and planting in them, and making ice cream!

8 - July 28th - Art & the Artists: Mixed Media!

Campers will create individual and collaborative art pieces using materials from nature, re- and up-cycled items, yarn and textiles, as well as traditional materials including paint, clay, pastel and papier mache!!

9 - August 4th - Forest and Gardening Fun

A final opportunity for an off-campus adventure for interested Rising First and Rising Second graders, with Teacher Michelle taking campers through summer days at Ches-Len Preserve, a gorgeous outdoor area that we travel to for Forest School Fridays throughout the school year. These are rain or shine days, with parents or caregivers dropping off and picking up at Ches-Len.

For campers who prefer to stay on campus, and for Play School and Little Friends campers, we will spend time playing in, planting and harvesting our gardens and beds, painting, weaving, sculpting and creating all kinds of garden art,

10 - August 11th - The Annual WCFS Olympics

Our closing week theme is also a WCFS tradition! Campers will have mixed-age teams representing countries around the world, international games and snacks, opening and closing ceremonies, a walking trip (age appropriate) to the Henderson tracks, and creating team tees and medals



SUMMER 2025 WCFS PROGRAMS REGISTRATION 415 N. High Street West Chester, PA 19380

Camp hours - 9 am-3 pm Early care begins at 8:30 am - No Charge After care - 3-4 pm - \$15 — 3-5 pm - \$25

Programs are limited in size and fill quickly! Please note that WCFS Summer Programs are CLOSED on Thursday, June 19th, and on Thursday and Friday, July 3rd and 4th.

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