

**WELCOME to Kaleidoscope 2009! This year we will be at THE PIKE SCHOOL, 34 Sunset Rock Road, Andover. This entire letter can also now be viewed on our website. ([www.kaleidoscopekids.com](http://www.kaleidoscopekids.com))**

**Dear Kaleidoscope 2009 student(s) and parents,**

The Kaleidoscope teachers and aides are anxious to meet over 750 returning and first-time students who are enrolled this summer (our TWENTY-NINTH!)

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](mailto:mypopcorn2@aol.com).

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 also available)

Students registered for Early Care can be dropped off in the Library 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 our office 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. 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).

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- \* All courses are at Pike School, 34 Sunset Rock Rd., Andover.
- \* The phone number for our office **during the program** is (978) 475-1197, Ext. 6618. The clinic extension is 6607. Extended Day (between 3 and 5 PM) is 6603. **Before July 6**, please continue to use our year-round phone (978-475-1422).
- \* Students should arrive fifteen (15) minutes early **on the first day only**. (8:45 for AM classes; 11:45 for PM classes)
  - 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.) 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 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 and have received a green pre-registration pass, you will be able to enter through either the main door or other designated entry points without stopping at the registration desk.

**NOTE: 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 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> 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.
- \* 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.
- \* **After the first day, please do not take children to classrooms before 8:55 or 11:55.**
- \* 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.

- \* If you are interested in enrolling in either the Early Care or Extended Day options, please call our office at (978) 475-1422 as soon as possible. Early Care and Extended Day are also available on a per diem or "as needed" basis. Rates are \$10 day (Early Care) and \$20 day (Ext. Day).
- \* 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 10, 17 and 24, 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 pastel and neon 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.

\* Check the special requests on the next page 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***

11	9:00-2:30	July 6-10
12-37	AM	July 6-10
39-62	PM	July 6-10
63-64	9:00-2:30	July 13-17
65-92	AM	July 13-17
93-117	PM	July 13-17
118	9:00-2:30	July 20-24
119-144	AM	July 20-24
145-168	PM	July 20-24

\* There are still some openings in many classes as well as in the KITE program. The following courses have limited openings.

**\*\*NOT ALL COURSES ARE LISTED HERE. COURSES NOT LISTED HERE ARE CURRENTLY FULL.**

<p><b>Session 1 (July 6-10)</b> <b>Morning (9-11:30 AM Daily)</b> 12 Meet Mother Goose 13 Seuss on the Loose 15 Disney Delights 16 Blast Off 17 Understanding Animals 19 Movin' &amp; Groovin' 22 Treasure Island 26 Baton Blast 27 Golf Club 28 Hannah Montana 30 Play Production 31 Volleyball 35 T-Shirt Madness 36 All Natural <b>Afternoon (12-2:30 PM Daily)</b> 38 Disney Delights 39 Kid Concoctions 40 Under the Sea 41 Blast Off 42 Understanding Animals 43 Toy-Making 46 Geology</p>	<p><b>Session I PM continued</b> 52 T-Shirt Madness 55 Jump Rope Jubilee 56 Meet the Zoombinis 57 Drawing 58 Rocket Launch 59 Fantasy Baseball 60 Fashion Makeover 62 Speakers' Platform <b>Session 2 (July 13-17)</b> 63 Adventures in Science 64 Mus.Theater: Pinocchio <b>Morning (9-11:30 AM)</b> 68 Castle Adventures 69 Spanish 71 Markers &amp; Melodies 75 Hoop Stars 77 Meet Eric Carle 78 Math Fun 79 Jewelry-Making 81 Dance Explosion 82 Astronomy 83 Horsemanship 84 Chess</p>	<p><b>Afternoon (12:00-2:30 PM)</b> 94 Solar System Science 95 Castle Adventures 98 Soccer Savvy 99 Meet Eric Carle 100 Remote Control 101 Construction Zone 102 Science or Wizardry 103 Flight 105 Treasure Island 106 Arts-a-Palooza 107 Hair Design 108 Meet the Zoombinis 109 Author Author 113 Jewelry-Making 114 French 115 Invention Convention 116 Painting 117 CSI Investigations <b>Session 3 (July 20-24)</b> 118 Adv. In Science <b>Morning (9-11:30 AM Daily)</b> 119 Adventure Theater 120 Butterflies, Bugs and Beyond</p>	<p><b>Session 3 AM continued</b> 135 Rocket Launch 136 Magic, Mystique and More 137 House &amp; Building Design 138 Guitar and more 139 Fun Physics 140 Horsemanship 141 Mass Media Blast 143 Extreme Survivor 144 Disney Channel Ext. <b>Afternoon (12-2:30PM Daily)</b> 145 Seuss on the Loose 146 Butterflies, Bugs and Beyond 147 Never-Ending Stories 149 Garden Party 151 Discovering Dinosaurs 153 Webkinz Kids 154 Instrument-Making 155 Remote Control 157 Science Sampler 158 Ceramics 159 Computer Capers 160 Fun and Fitness 161 Flight</p>
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**\*\*SEEKING SECOND-GENERATION KALEIDOSCOPE KIDS!!! Parents: If you came to Kaleidoscope when you were a kid, and your child is now enrolled, please let us know! We have a special gift for our second-generation kids.**

### Save July 14 : 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](mailto:jpeters820@aol.com).

### Summary of Special Events 2009:

July 8 and 9: Usborne Books Fair  
July 14 : Discovery Toys Sale  
July 17: "Pinocchio" (2:45 PM)  
July 22 : Barefoot Books Fair

### SAVE JULY 8, 9, AND 22! BOOK FAIRS!

Usborne Books will visit Kaleidoscope on July 8 and July 9, and Barefoot Books will join us on July 22. 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' websites directly linked to [www.kaleidoscopekids.com](http://www.kaleidoscopekids.com) . **(Proceeds benefit our Scholarship Fund.)**

**"Pinocchio"**, presented by Kaleidoscope's very own Musical Theater class, will be performed in the theater on Friday, July 17, at 2:45 PM. Tickets are \$4 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.

*All Natural:* Please bring a large old shirt to protect clothing, as well as 2 towels, 2 washcloths and several small plastic containers (for leftover products)

*Blast Off:* Please bring a shoebox with a cover.

*Butterflies, Bugs and Beyond:* As we plan to make some "edible bugs", it is very important to notify us in advance of any allergies. Please call the office (978-475-1422) immediately with this information.

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

*Drawing and Sketchbook Skills:* Please bring a 9x12 ring-bound sketchbook to class on the **first day**, as well as several sharpened pencils.

*Fashion Makeover:* Bring items from your "old clothes" pile to transform into contemporary fashions; also, bring any extra ribbons and/or fabric.

*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.

*Knights & Castles:* Cardboard rolls from paper towels, toilet paper, gift wrap, etc. are appreciated. Due to our medieval theme, there are references to weapons in

some of the stories. However, no "creative play" alluding to weapons will be encouraged or permitted. Play swords, etc. should not be brought to class. Please bring a shoebox with cover.

*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.

*Rocket Launch:* You will need sunscreen and/or a hat for protection. 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.*

*T-Shirt Madness:* Please bring three (3) plain white T-shirts to class on **Monday**.

*Treasure Island:* Please bring: white T-shirt, small bag for supplies, one clean paint brush, and small package of favorite colors of tempera paint.

*Webkinz Kids:* Please bring a blank 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** (Volleyball, Soccer Savvy, Jump Rope Jubilee, Baton Blast, Hoop Stars, Fun & Fitness) **require** the use of **white-soled sneakers only**. Black-soled shoes are not allowed.

**Staff Additions and Changes:**

D.I. Warm-Up: Donna Cloney  
 Extreme Survivor: Linda O'Connor  
 Hannah Montana and Disney Extravaganza: Cailen Ciarletta  
 Lego Mania (76A and 96A): Katie Dowell  
 Lego Mania (76B): Linda O'Connor

Science or Wizardry: Dan Peikin will join Linda Kane  
 T-Shirt Madness: Amy Pinciak  
 Website Design and Computer Capers: Loren Anderson  
 Magic School Bus Adventures: Ann Harrold will join Robin Harrold

**\*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 2009

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 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 twenty-ninth wonderful summer, and to seeing and meeting the fabulous (and kind) kids that make our program so special

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

Please note that directions are on our website ([www.kaleidoscopekids.com](http://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 2009

Adv. in Science	Room 13	Into the Jungle	Room 12
Adv. Theater	Pre-Kindergarten Room	Invention Convention	Room 176
Aide Internship	Room 125	Jewelry-Making	Room 125
All Natural	Room 24	Jr. Electronics	Room 176
Am. Red Cross Babysitting	Room 181	Jump Rope Jubilee	Gymnasium
Arts-a-Palooza	Room 150	Kaleidoscope Office	Multi-Purpose Room
Art Smart	Room 152	Kid Concoctions	Room 18 (#14 and 39)
Astronomy	Room 23	Kid Concoctions	Room 17 (#14A and 39A)
Author Author	Library	Kitchen Chemistry	Room 177
Baton Blast	Gymnasium	Lego Mania (76 and 96)	Room 27
Blast Off	Room 12	Lego Mania (76A and 96A)	Room 28
Bubble Up	Room 17	Lego Mania (76B)	Room 26
Butterflies, Bugs & Beyond	Room 18	Magic, Mystique and More	Room 23
Cartooning	Room 155	Magic School Bus Adv.	Room 20
Castle Adventures	Room 12	Mandarin Express	Room 23
Celebrations	Room 20	Markers and Melodies	Room 150
Ceramics	Room 152	Mass Media Blast	Library
Chess	Room 25	Math Fun	Room 11
Clinic	Room 117	Meet Eric Carle	Room 16
Computer Capers	Technology Lab	Meet Mother Goose	Pre-K Room
Construction Zone	Room 20	Meet the Zoombinis	Technology Lab
CSI Investigation	Room 177	Movin' and Groovin'	Room 150
Dance Explosion	Room 151	Musical Theater	Drama Room 136
Destination ImagiNation	Room 26	Mystery Madness	Library
Digital Photography	Room 155	Never-Ending Stories	Room 27
Discovering Dinosaurs	Room 21	Off to Camp	Room 15
Disney Channel Ext. (#85)	Room 14	Outside the Box	Room 155
Disney Channel Ext. (#144)	Room 26	Painting	Room 158A
Disney Delights	Room 13	Play Production	Drama Room 136
Domino Physics	Room 125	Remote Control	Room 25
Drawing	Room 155	Rocket Launch	Room 22
Early Care Room	Library	Science or Wizardry	Room 21
Extended Day Location	Dining Room	Science Sampler	Room 174
Extreme Survivor	Room 28	Sculpture	Room 152
Fantasy Baseball	Room 23	Seuss on the Loose	Room 14
Fashion Makeover	Room 158A	Sketchbook Skills	Room 155
Flight	Room 22	Soccer Savvy	Gymnasium
French	Room 24	Solar System Science	Room 10
Fun and Fitness	Gymnasium	Spanish I and II	Room 24
Fun Physics	Room 25	Speakers' Platform	Room 28
Game-Making	Room 15	T-Shirt Madness	Room 21
Garden Party	Room 16	Theater for Kids	Drama Room 136
Geology	Room 25	Toy-Making	Room 27
Golf Club	Room 174	Treasure Island	Room 15
Guitar and More	Room 179	Und. Animals	Room 10
Hair Design	Room 151	Under the Sea	Room 16
Hannah Montana	Room 26	Video Live	Library
Hoop Stars	Gymnasium	Volleyball	Gymnasium
Horsemanship	Room 181	Webkinz Kids	Room 11
House & Building Design	Room 158A	Website Design	Technology Lab
Imagination Station	Room 27	Wild & Crazy Art	Room 152
Instrument-Making	Room 150	Young Chefs (66 and 97)	Room 18
		Young Chefs (97A)	Room 14

**MEDICAL FORM — IMPORTANT!!**

**NOTE: If you mail (or fax) 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. This is highly recommended. 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.** Aides will be stationed at tables inside the front door. Please drop the form off at this time. Blank forms will be available, but your child's enrollment will be delayed until the form is completed. Thanks for your attention and time. If you have any medication, an epipen, inhaler or any other special item for your child, please give it to our nurse, who can be found in the Clinic (Room 117); 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**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**

★ PLEASE INCLUDE THE CODES FOR EACH COURSE YOUR CHILD(REN IS(ARE) TAKING.

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!**