

INCH BY INCH SUMMER CAMP 2018 FAQs

What activities do the campers participate in?

Our annual summer camp aims to be educational and fun. We focus on hands-on activities and exploring local New England. We provide a variety of experiences that emphasize being outdoors, physical fitness, and being creative.

Summer Camp follows this weekly schedule (unless otherwise noted on the calendar): *Monday* – activities at Inch (yoga + arts and crafts, indoor & outdoor games); *Tuesday* – Springs Brook Park (“all day” 10:30/11:00am until ~3:00pm); *Wednesday* – field trip or visitor; *Thursday* – Springs Brook Park (“all day” 10:30/11:00am until ~3:00pm) *Friday* – visit a local park & activities at Inch (arts & crafts, indoor & outdoor games).

How do I register my child?

To register, download the Registration Form and email it to info@inchbyinchchildcare.com, or drop it off at the office. The Registration Fee is \$50 per family. We require a minimum of 3 days per week @ 2 weeks.

What are dates and hours of this year's camp?

Camp will start on Monday, June 25th; the last day of camp is Wednesday, August 29th. Our camp hours are 8:00am until 6:00pm. Inch By Inch will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th.

Some other dates to note: Springs Brook Park usually closes after the 3rd week of August, so Thursday, August 16th is our last swim day; Week #10 will be Monday – Wednesday *only*.

Who can attend summer camp?

Camp is open to children aged K thru 5th grade; please note you must have completed Kindergarten to attend and/or be at least 5 years old.

What is the cost of summer camp?

The cost of camp is \$55 per day. The daily rate includes an afternoon snack. Field Trips and activities are additional to the daily rate. These fees are calculated based on *the cost of the activity only*. Springs Brook Park is no longer “included” in the daily rate; since 2012 the cost has increased from \$3 per child to \$10 per child, so this is no longer economical.

What about “screen time”?

Our goal in summer camp is to maximize outdoor and other activities in order to provide an alternative to “screen time”. That being said, on occasion the campers might watch a movie. With respect to handheld devices, time will be limited to maximum of 20 minutes per day. Any devices are the responsibility of the camper; Inch By Inch shall bear no responsibility for any device that is lost, stolen or damaged.

What should we bring to camp?

Each day please provide: a water bottle (it can be refilled as needed); a disposable or “brown bag” lunch; sunscreen; a change of clothing (including shoes); a bathing suit & towel. Please LABEL everything with your child's name.

What are this year's themes and weekly activities?

Week 1 (June 25 – 29): **WELCOME SUMMER** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: Kimball Farm in Westford, MA activities will be riding the bumper boats & visiting the petting zoo. On Friday, it will be "Wheel Day" at Inch – bring your bike, scooter or skateboards.

Week 2 (July 2 – 6): **HAPPY 4TH OF JULY** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Friday. This week's field trip: Minute Man State Park in Concord, MA for a study of American history.

Week 3 (July 9 – 13): **THE GREAT OUTDOORS** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: Discovery Woods @ the Discovery Museum in Acton, MA. Friday's activity: a hike at Great Brook State Park in Carlisle, MA & then ice cream at the farm.

Week 4 (July 16 – 20): **LET'S EXPERIMENT** - Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. Mad Science will visit Inch By Inch on Wednesday & campers will also go to Wildwood Park in Burlington, MA.

Week 5 (July 23– 27): **CREATIVE KIDS** - Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: The Discovery Museum in Acton, MA. Friday's activity: visiting Kid's Konnection Park in Billerica, MA.

Week 6 (July 30 – Aug 3): **PIRATE WEEK** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: The New England Pirate Museum in Salem, MA. Friday's activity: Wildwood Park in Burlington, MA.

Week 7 (Aug 7 – 11): **SCIENCE & NATURE** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: The Museum on Science in Cambridge, MA. Friday's activity: Manning State Park in Billerica, MA.

Week 8 (Aug 14 – 18): **EXPLORING THE OCEAN** – Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week's field trip: The Seacoast Science Center in Rye, NH. On Friday the campers will visit a local park & then have some ice cream!

Week 9 (Aug 21 – 25): **OUR FAVORITE SUMMER THINGS** – Monday will be Wheel Day at Inch...bring your bike, scooter or skateboard. On Tuesday, Curious Creatures will visit Inch. This week's field trip: The Harvard Museum of Natural History in Cambridge, MA. Since this week is dedicated to the camper's favorite things, they will choose the activities for Thursday, as well as the location of the park on Friday, and their favorite movie.

Week 10 (Aug 27 – 29): **GOOD BYE SUMMER!** – Monday will be arts & crafts and yoga class. On Tuesday the campers will have a "Pajama Day" and a pizza lunch. On Wednesday they will visit a park of their choice for some end of summer fun.