

INCH BY INCH SUMMER PROGRAM 2019 FAQs

What activities do the students participate in?

Our annual Summer Explorers program 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. The daily and weekly schedules are attached.

Inch By Inch reserves the right to substitute or change activities due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. Alternate activities include, but are not limited to: bowling, Plaster Fun Time, movies at AMC Burlington, Jump On In, Altitude Trampoline Park (Billerica).

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 summer program?

The program will start on Monday, June 24th; the last day is Wednesday, August 28th. Our hours are 8:00am until 6:00pm. Inch By Inch will be closed on Thursday, July 4th AND Friday, July 5th.

Some other dates to note: Springs Brook Park usually closes after the 3rd week of August, so Friday, August 16th is our last swim day; Week #2 and Week #10 will be Monday – Wednesday *only*.

Who can attend Summer Explorers?

The program is open to children aged K thru 5th grade; please note you must have completed Kindergarten to attend and/or be at least 5 1/2 years old.

What is the cost of Summer Explorers?

The cost of the program is \$60 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*.

What about "screen time"?

Our goal in Summer Explorers is to maximize outdoor and other activities in order to provide an alternative to "screen time". That being said, on occasion the students 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 student; Inch By Inch shall bear no responsibility for any device that is lost, stolen or damaged. During free play, the computer will be "open" but there is a time limit enforced.

What should we bring to Summer Explorers?

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?

*** NEW * A copy of the daily schedule the students will follow is attached.**

Week 1 (June 24 – 28): WELCOME SUMMER – Monday will be the first “Wheel Day” of the summer – bring your bike, scooter or skateboard. The students will swim at 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, the students will go bowling at King’s in Burlington.

Week 2 (July 1 – 5): HAPPY 4TH OF JULY – The program will be open Monday – Wednesday only. Monday will be an arts and crafts day; Tuesday the students will go swimming at Springs Brook Park; Wednesday they will go to Kid’s Konnection Park in Billerica.

Week 3 (July 8 – 12): STEM Week – This week the students will challenge themselves with some STEM activities! Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week’s field trip: LEGOLand at Assembly Row in Boston. Friday’s activity: making rockets and other “explosive” experiments outdoors!

Week 4 (July 15 – 19): THE GREAT OUTDOORS - Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. On Monday the students will participate in a scavenger hunt. This week’s field trip: Discovery Woods in Acton, MA. The Friday activity will be making s’mores and visiting Wildwood Park in Burlington.

Week 5 (July 22– 26): WILD LIFE! – On Monday, *Curious Creatures* will visit Inch to introduce the students to various reptiles; on Tuesday and Thursday, Springs Brook Park. The field trip this week will take the students to Southwick Zoo in Mendon, MA. On Friday, we will be having a BBQ and picnic lunch at Inch. The students will be making their own lemonade, too.



Week 6 (July 29 – Aug 2): PIRATE WEEK – The week will start Monday with the students making treasure maps; Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week’s field trip: Salem Maritime National Historic Site in Salem, MA. Friday’s activity: a treasure hunt, a trip to Wildwood Park in Burlington, and then relaxing with an afternoon movie!

Week 7 (Aug 5 – 9): EXPLORING THE OCEAN – Beach themed arts + crafts on Monday; Springs Brook Park on Tuesday & Thursday. This week’s field trip: The Seacoast Science Center in Rye, NH. On Friday the students will visit a local park (the kid’s choice!) & then have some ice cream!

Week 8 (Aug 12 – 16): JUST KEEP SWIMMING – Fish themed arts + crafts on Monday; Springs Brook Park on Tuesday. On Wednesday, the students will head to Manning State Park in Billerica. The New England Aquarium will visit Inch on Thursday. To wrap up this busy week, the students will go to Springs Brook Park on Friday.

Week 9 (Aug 19 – 23): OUR FAVORITE SUMMER THINGS – Monday will be Wheel Day at Inch...bring your bike, scooter or skateboard. On Tuesday, the students will celebrate summer with an ice cream party! This week’s field trip: The Children’s Museum in Boston, MA. On Thursday, there will be a lot of fun with water balloons; Friday the students will take a quick trip to Acton, MA to the Discovery Museum.

Week 10 (Aug 27 – 29): GOOD BYE SUMMER! – Monday the students will visit Kids Konnection Park and have a picnic lunch. On Tuesday, Mad Science will visit Inch for a workshop. Wednesday, the last day of the program, will feature a pizza lunch and pajama party!

Inch By Inch Summer Program Weekly Itinerary	Monday Activities at Inch 	Tuesday Swimming at Springs Brook Park 	Wednesday Field Trip Day 	Thursday Swimming at Springs Brook Park 	Friday Park & Weekly Theme Activities 
8:00 - 9:30	Drop Off / Free Time	Drop Off / Free Time	Drop Off / Free Time	Drop Off / Free Time	Drop Off / Free Time
9:30 - 10:00	Morning Snack	Morning Snack	Morning Snack	Morning Snack	Morning Snack
10:00 - 10:30	Weekly Theme Activity	Swimming at Springs Brook Park	Field Trip	Swimming at Springs Brook Park	Weekly Theme Activity
10:30 - 11:00					
11:00 - 11:30					
11:30 - 12:00					
12:00 - 12:30	Outdoor Games	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:30 - 1:00	Lunch	Swimming, con't	Field Trip, con't	Swimming, con't	Lunch
1:00 - 1:30	Table Activities				Table Activities
2:00 - 2:30	STEM Activity				STEM Activity
2:30 - 3:00			Table Activities		
3:00 - 3:30	Outdoor Play	Afternoon Snack & Weekly Theme Activity	Afternoon Snack	Afternoon Snack & Weekly Theme Activity	Outdoor Play
3:30 - 4:00			Outdoor Games		
4:00 - 4:30	Afternoon Snack				Afternoon Snack
4:30 - 6:00	Free Time & Pick Up	Outdoor Play & Pick Up	Free Time & Pick Up	Outdoor Play & Pick Up	Free Time & Pick Up