

Mini Camps

We are excited to offer Mini Camps again this summer for our elementary campers! Mini Camps are week-long, themed camps led by a variety of instructors and are from 1:00-4:00 p.m. each afternoon. Campers do not have to be enrolled at MA camp to participate in the Mini Camps. The cost of each Mini Camp is \$130 per week, with a discounted rate of \$65 per week for campers also enrolled at MA for the week. Mini Camps may be canceled if minimum enrollment is not met. Parents will be notified if it is cancelled and fees for that camp will be refunded.

For more information, email us at summer@montessoriacad.org.

Week 1: (June 3-7) Outdoor Adventures

Instructor: Mark Woodward
Min: 7 Max: 13

Say hello to your favorite summer camp as a kid – outdoors, in the woods, beautiful scenery, and priceless camaraderie. This mini-camp experience takes campers on daily field trips to many of our special “wilderness” places in the Nashville/Brentwood area. Travel destinations include The Little Harpeth River, Edwin and Percy Warner Parks, and Radnor Lake. Walking/athletic shoes are a must. We will be hiking, exploring, observing wildlife where possible, and enjoying nature in the company of friends. Your camper will come home with tired legs and a full heart at the end of each day! For more information, email Mark Woodward at mwoodward@montessoriacad.org

Week 3: (June 17-21) Survival School

Instructor: Kelly Ott
Min: 3 Max: 20

Let’s survive! Campers learn how and where to build a debris shelter, how to find and purify water, how to make a friction fire and how to identify edible plants, among other skills such as navigation and whittling. Campers will prepare a survival kit of their own to take home. Mrs. Ott challenges the campers to work together to make a debris shelter strong enough for her to use for the camp out on Friday evening. After an incredible week of survival school campers will get to practice what they’ve learned at our very first camp out! How exciting it will be to put their new skills to

Week 4: (June 24-28) Art Exploration

Instructor: Kay Mattingly
Min: 8 Max: 15

Ms. Mattingly has a fun week planned. Children will explore painting techniques, printmaking techniques and building with wax, sand and wood. So, are you ready to get “messy”?

Week 2: (June 10-14)

NO Mini Camp

Week 5:
(July 1-5)
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Week 6:
(July 8-12)
“Fantastic Beasts”

Instructor: Kay Mattingly
Min: 8 **Max:** 15

Come and make your own nifflers, bowtruckles, billywigs and fwoopors! What are these? Check out the movie, “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” and you’ll know. They will be made using clay, shrink art, drawing, painting and more!

Week 7: (July 15-19)
Sewing with Jessica

Instructor: Jessica White
Min: 4 **Max:** 12

Come learn the fundamentals of hand sewing and use different materials to create one of a kind projects. Each day we will explore and create a new and exciting craft, while also exploring different hand sewing techniques. Fun for all craftiness levels and no experience needed.

Week 8: (July 22-26)
“In the Kitchen”

Instructor: Allison Smith

Come and enjoy some tasteful experiments with food! Each chef will learn how to make some foods they already enjoy each day. Participants will also create their very own cookbook to take with them at the end of the mini camp. This is guaranteed to be a fun week!

Week 9:
(July 29- August 2)
Music & Drama

Instructor: Mark Woodward
Min: 6 **Max:** 12

As a sequel to last summer’s Music & Drama mini-camp, we will be putting on another Imaginary Friends Musical – a musical play to be written by the campers themselves. Campers will don outrageous costumes and create their own characters. We will tie each character together in a storyline and add songs and dialogue to go along. At the end of the week, campers will perform their work for parents and peers.

(Note: Participation in drama stimulates the creative, right side of the brain, develops memorization skills, and fosters friendship between actors. It can also help in overcoming the fear of public speaking. This mini-camp will be a low-pressure environment with no prior drama experience necessary.)