

JUNE 2025



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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

What a joyful time of year it is here at Kids In Harmony! We are so proud to celebrate with you our preschoolers in this year's Moving Up Graduation Show. This special event recognizes our little ones' early accomplishments and the incredible developmental growth each and every child has shown. Our staff is truly proud of the strides every student has made --- socially, emotionally, and academically. And we are thrilled to recognize their hard work in front of our preschool community. This is also a wonderful opportunity to get to know the other families at KIH.

As we wrap up the school year, we are equally excited to kick off our Summer Camp sessions! Get ready for weeks filled with fun, discovery, and hands-on learning. Our summer program is designed to keep children engaged and curious, with plenty of outdoor play, themes weeks, creative projects, entertainments, field trips, and friendship-building memories!

This year's planned field trips will focus more on destinations within our local community that are easily accessible by walking. With bus fee continuing to rise, we are making a conscious effort to stay cost-efficient while still offering meaningful and enjoyable experiences for our children. These local adventures will allow our preschoolers to explore and learn without sacrificing fun and educational value.

Thank you for continuing to trust us with your child's early learning journey. Let us celebrate the end of a wonderful school year and the beginning of a summer full of memories!

June is a time of celebration and reflection as we honor the achievements of our young learners. This month, our focus is on graduation and the transition to the next exciting chapter in their educational journey. We are incredibly proud of all our preschoolers and the progress they have made this year.

Graduation is a special event to commemorate the hard work and accomplishments of our little friends. And we encourage our KIH Families to join us in celebrating this momentous occasion.

KIH GRADUATION SHOW

JUNE 06, 2025 (*Friday*) | 5:30PM

Venue: **IRISH AMERICAN HERITAGE CENTER**

The Mayfair Theater

4626 N. Knox Ave. Chicago

Everyone will perform on stage! Come one, Come all! We have plenty of seats to fill. We cannot wait to see all our children perform on stage and sing their heart out! We will close at 12:30 pm on this day to give everyone enough time to prepare for the show. Our Rainbow Class Graduates need to be at the venue by 4:45 PM. The show begins promptly at 5:30 pm. The rest of the students need to be there by 5:00 pm.

As a courtesy to our visitors, we always start on time, so don't be late! A reception will be held right after the show in Room 109 (1st floor). This is your chance to get to know the other families in our KIH Community and hopefully create a sense of camaraderie amongst us.

To those who wish to bring in food for the reception, we have a sign-up sheet posted in the office, if you haven't done so. We ask that only store-bought food be brought to the show and dropped off in Room 109 upon your arrival. You can also drop them off in the morning at KIH, if easier.

SUMMER CAMP

June 16, 2025 (*Monday*)

Summer Camp begins the weeks of June 16th. The Jellybean and Rainbow Classes will have in-school events and field trips scheduled

We require a one-time fee per child that covers expenses for the entire summer (transportation fee, lunch, admission, KIH shirt and entertainers' fee):

Dragonfly & Bubblegum Student - \$115.00

Jellybean & Rainbow Student - \$200.00

This fee is due on 06/13/2025, Monday. If you wish to pay in 2 installments, just inform the office accordingly for proper recording. Also, if you haven't informed us yet of your summer plans, please speak with Ms. Latantha ASAP or feel free to email us at kids_in_harmony@yahoo.com.

If you are planning to take some time off during the summer months, please advise us as soon as possible. This will help us better coordinate enrollment during the summer months. We have many inquiries and awaiting for availability.

SUNSCREEN, HATS and MORE.

As the weather warms up, please ensure your child comes to school with sunscreen already applied and a hat for outdoor play. Kindly make sure your child's belongings are labeled to avoid mix-ups or lost items. **DO NOT SEND ITEMS TO SCHOOL THAT WILL CAUSE HARDSHIP IF BROKEN OR LOST.**

If you haven't yet checked on your child's extra set of clothing, it is best to send in a set of clothing that we can keep in the classroom. With water play and other fun, messy activities, it is helpful for each child to have a spare set of clothes in school.

SPRING CLEANING STILL????

Please keep our school in mind as you do your spring cleaning at home and office. We are always in need of scrap paper and art supplies for our art & writing areas, as well as children's books for our classroom libraries. Few parents have asked what items we can use in the school; we always suggest children's puzzles, dress-up clothes, pretend toys (dishes, food, construction, etc...), wooden toys, stacking toys, and coloring books. Unfortunately, we cannot take stuffed animals (head lice contamination) or small toy items (choke hazard), as per DCFS regulation. Happy cleaning!

..... TO OUR STUDENTS and FAMILIES leaving us this year, we will surely miss you all. Our hearts have been filled with much glee because of everyone's unconditional trust and love --- and we THANK YOU!

SUMMER STAFF SCHEDULE:

As we transition into our exciting Summer Camp season, you may notice a few changes in our daily staff coverage. During the summer months, our dedicated teaching team takes well-deserved time off to rest and recharge --- and we fully support them in doing so!

This period also gives us a unique opportunity to reimagine and explore potential teaching partnerships or team combinations in preparation for the upcoming school year. You may see new pairings and familiar faces working together in new ways – all part of strengthening our community and enriching your child's experiences.

The advantage of being part of a smaller, close-knit center is that everyone truly knows everyone --- children and staff alike. These changes tend to feel natural for our little ones because they are already familiar and comfortable with the broader team of teachers. We will continue to ensure smooth transitions and maintain a warm, consistent atmosphere.

Again, we thank you for your flexibility and continued trust in us. Here's to a summer of learning, laughter, and meaningful connections.

JUNETEENTH

06/19/2025 (*Thursday*)

Our school will be closed in observance of this Holiday. Please mark your calendars.

On this day, let us reflect on the significance of the word “Freedom”. And moving forward, we should all make every effort that this painful part of history never be repeated ever again.

THANK YOU

Liam’s Mom, PAULINA

Children’s Books

Matilda M’s Mom, GRETA

Children’s Books

Hazel’s Mom, ANGELA

Children’s Books

Dennis’ Mom, KATYA

Children’s Toys

Naila’s Dad, CRIS

Breakfast Treats for Staff

MAY CALENDAR

2
Monday

SHAVUOT starts

3
Tuesday

Happy Birthday **ANNIE**

6
Friday

GRADUATION SHOW
KIH will close @ 12:30PM

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EID AL-ADHARA starts

13
Friday

Happy Birthday **NAILA**

14
Saturday

Happy Birthday **MARGIE**
.....
FLAG DAY

15
Sunday

Happy Birthday **NOLAN**
.....
FATHER’S DAY

16
Monday

1st Day of Summer Camp

17
Tuesday

Happy Birthday **HAZEL**

19
Thursday

JUNETEENTH
NO SCHOOL

20
Friday

Summer Solstice

26
Thursday

Happy Birthday **MS. JESSYKA**

27
Friday

Happy Birthday **NORA**

28
Saturday

Happy Birthday **OLIVER**