

# NANTUCKET COMMUNITY SCHOOL EARLY CHILDHOOD Fall 2022 Programming

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Registration opens in person on Saturday, September 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Early Childhood Center, 30 Surfside Road



# **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration will be held on September 17 from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at the Early Childhood Center in the NES building at 30 Surfside Road. Space is allocated on a first come, first served basis. No registrations will be accepted before this date or time.

While we do our best to accommodate as many families as possible, groups do fill so we run waitlists. Commitment to your playgroup is essential. Failure to attend for two consecutive weeks without excusing yourself will result in your space being offered to the first family on the waitlist. If you are unable to attend registration you may have a friend register for you.

Any remaining spots will be filled after September 17th by emailing croninp@npsk.org

### **OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD TEAM:**

Pauline Cronin, Early Childhood Education Coordinator: 508-228-7285 x1166, croninp@npsk.org
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Kerrie Willis, Program Assistant: willisk@npsk.org

We ask that you sign up for one playgroup per family, and we will notify you if space becomes available in an alternate group.

### **PLAYGROUPS**

#### Play with Me

Age: 0-12 months

Date: Mondays, October 3-December 12 (No group October 10 & November 21) Time: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Kerrie Willis

This is a special group for parents and their babies from birth to 12 months. Meet other parents with little ones, learn the benefits of playing with your child, sing songs, make crafts and enjoy some one on one (or one on two!) time with your baby.

#### **Ready Set School**

Age: 4-5 year olds Date: Wednesdays, October 5-December 14 (No group November 2 & 23) Time: 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitators: Kerrie Willis, Susan Richards and Michelle Saravia

This program has been created to strengthen and develop your child's skills that are beneficial for success in Kindergarten. Children who will enter Kindergarten in September 2023 (age 5 by September 1, 2023) and who are not currently enrolled in a daycare/preschool are invited to attend. This is a Parent & Child curriculum-based program that will help children gain the skills necessary to ensure a smooth transition to the school environment.

#### **Story Stretchers**

Age: 24-48 months Date: Mondays, October 3-December 12 (No group October 10 & November 21) Time: 9:00-10:00 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Susan Richards

As toddlers and children grow, their awareness and styles of literacy exploration change. They are now beginning to recognize that print is something special. This group incorporates fun activities that explore letter recognition, phonics, word play and themed crafts.

#### Little Learners

Age: 12-36 months Date: Wednesdays, October 5-December 14 (No group November 2 & 23) Time: 9:00-10:00 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Susan Richards

In this playgroup we will explore books, songs and movement in a comfortable space which allows for children to move safely around the room and working on social skills, taking turns, sharing and cooperative play as they interact with their playmates. There will be a focus on parenting siblings of all ages!

## **PLAYGROUPS CONTINUED...**

#### **Busy Bees**

Age: 12-36 months Date: Thursdays, October 6-December 15 (No group November 3 & 24) Time: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Kerrie Willis

Being a Busy Bee and investigating our surroundings is everything that should be expected from our toddlers. Join Kerrie for circle time, guided projects and free play, letting your child explore and socialize with friends. Watch how your child grows and develops from participating in this playgroup.

#### Saturdays with S.T.A.R.

Age: 1-4 years Date: Saturdays, October 15-November 19 Time: 9:00-10:00 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Kerrie Willis

Designed for children 1-4 years old, this playgroup focuses on developmental milestones of early childhood. We will be working on activities that focus on speech, fine/gross motor skills and socialization. If you have any questions about your child's development or you want to participate in a developmentally rich program, this playgroup is for you!



#### **Playground Pals**

Age: 0-48 months Date: Wednesdays, September 7, 14, 21 & 28 Time: 10:00-11:00 a.m. Location: Discovery Playground, Old South Road Facilitator: Susan Richards and Michelle Saravia

A weekly playgroup that meets at The Discovery Playground on Old South Road. Read stories and play while the weather is still good!

### SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Circle of Moms

Age: All ages Date: Thursdays, September 15-December 15 (No group November 3 & 24) Time: 9:00-10:00 a.m. Location: 56 Centre Street Facilitator: Pauline Cronin

Circle of Moms creates free, confidential, space where moms can talk about adjustment to motherhood and leave feeling connected, refreshed and ready to face another day! Mothers are welcome in this space to say what is true for them about motherhood. Expectant mothers and babies in arms welcome. Feel heard, valued, understood, nurtured and energized.

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You can also find us on Instagram at @ncsearlychildhood and @ackcommunityschool

## **EVENTS**

#### StoryWalk: Nantucket Atheneum

Age: All ages Date: Tuesday, September 13 Time: 11:00 a.m. Location: Nantucket Atheneum Weezie Library, 1 India Street Facilitator: Susan Richards

Join Miss Susan for a StoryWalk and mini scavenger hunt at the Nantucket Atheneum's Weezie Library! The book we will be reading is "Being A Dog: A Tail of Mindfulness by Maria Gianferrari.

#### StoryWalk: Linda Loring Nature Foundation

Age: All ages Date: Tuesday, September 27 Time: 11:00 a.m. Location: Linda Loring Nature Foundation, 110 Eel Point Road Facilitator: Kerrie Willis

Join Miss Kerrie for a StoryWalk and mini scavenger hunt at the Linda Loring Nature Foundation! The book we will be reading is "Are You A Dragonfly?" by Judy Allen and Tudor Humphries.



The StoryWalk Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

### **PARENTING SERIES**

CFCE Cape & Islands Collaborative Parenting Series

Age: Parents Date: Stay tuned! Time: Varied Location: Virtual Facilitator: Various presenters

#### A Social Emotional Parenting

Series to be held each month from October through until April. This series is a collaborative effort of the Cape and Islands CFCE's. A wonderful opportunity to hear from some amazing speakers such as Cindy Horgan and Jeanine Fitzgerald. Attend from your own home via Zoom.

#### Thursdays at the ECC

Age: Birth-8 Date: September 15-December 15 (No meeting November 3 or 24) Time: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Location: Early Childhood Center (ECC), 30 Surfside Road Facilitator: Susan Richards

The Nantucket Community School can support your family's growth and development in so many ways. Susan will be available to answer questions, provide ASQ's and connect families to resources.

