

*SUMMER 2017*



The Cambridge School of Weston

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## **ART DEPARTMENT**

**ART EXPLOSION-** Try a little bit of everything in this dynamic class - painting, drawing, assemblage, collage. You'll never be bored by this buffet of art offerings. (Period 1)

**CARTOONING & COMICS** - Toon in, take off, create all kinds of cartoons and comic books from your imagination. Be the hero of your own cartoonaverse! (Period 3)

**CLAY** – A fabulous way to use your fingers - squishing the mud, making gifts or creatures, practical or fantastical. You'll be in charge of molding the clay, every day. (Periods 2, 3, 5, 6)

**CULINARY ARTS I: Kid's Menu** (Ages 8-11) This will be the most delicious class offered this summer. Not only making edible art works but illustrating your own cook book. Develop your palette to know the difference between parsley and basil and syrup and sugar. Tell your taste buds the party is about to start! (Period 2)

**CULINARY ARTS II: Chef's Choice** (Ages 11-15) Are you interested in gaining some deeper understanding in the kitchen beyond smoothies? Want to challenge your palette with culinary delights from around the world? Come and cook with us! Create simple and delicious dishes from near and far, try out your own recipe with a partner, and master the art of food presentation. (Period 3)

**DRAW, PAINT & COLLAGE** - Improve your art skills and explore new techniques and approaches. Your creative genius will be explored daily with each activity as paper, brush, pencils, scissors and your brain all converge for a creative blast. (Periods 3, 6)

**DRAWN TO LIFE** – This class is focused on the techniques of drawing. We will cover perspective and shading as well as volume and detail, utilizing anything from markers to graphite to charcoal. (Period 5)

**JEWELRY MAKING** – Puzzle pieces, sea glass, feathers, stones, crystals and leaves can all be a part of Jewelry Making! Learn to use different tools and new techniques to make your own art pieces to wear. We will use wire and metal and also learn to add new materials to our magnificent creations. (Period 1)

**PRINTMAKING** - Stamp, stencil, rub and roll! Use brushes, rollers, stencils and stamps, along with found materials to make a collection of prints. There will be plenty of opportunity to experiment with new techniques. Expand your artistic realm by combining prints with drawing and collage, and see where this versatile medium takes you. (Period 2)

**SCULPTURE** - Let your imagination come to life by making creatures and creations using recycled objects, wire, wood, and plaster! This class is perfect for anyone who enjoys working hands-on with their art. Bring your ideas into the third dimension! (Period 5)

**TINKERING** – Do you like to tinker? In this class we will experiment to create and design anything from toys to towers to robots. If you enjoy using your problem solving skills and creativity to complete challenges and dream up inventions then this class is for you! (Period 6)

**TINY SCULPTURE** – Have you ever wanted a tiny white arctic fox that you could balance on your fingertip? Or a tiny scene of skateboarders carving up a ramp? Build small creatures, plates of tiny food, tiny tools and more with fimo clay, found objects and other unique sculptural materials. Building small makes for HUGE amounts of fun! (Period 2)

## **DANCE DEPARTMENT**

**AFRO - HAITIAN DANCE** - Come and enjoy this mix of West African and Haitian/Caribbean moves. No experience necessary; just a love of music & movement! (Period 2)

**DANCE COMPANY** - Love to dance? Can't sit still? Be a member of the Summer Arts Dance Company and have original choreography created just for you. We will explore both technique and improvisation. Previous dance experience is suggested. (Period 5)

**DANCE CREATION** - Come and choreograph your own dance for an original, unique, moving creation. Select your music, and tell a story with your movements at the Noontime Show or Arts Festival. This is your chance to move, shake and create! (Period 1)

**HIP-HOP** - (Ages 8-11, Period 3) (Ages 11-15, Period 6) Learn Hip-Hop and street funk choreography, dance to the latest tunes and get a great workout at the same time. We will be performing at Noontime Shows and the Arts Festival! (Periods 3, 6)

**HULA HOOPS & FITNESS** - Learn the basics of hula hooping in hoop dance and fitness! Tricks, partner juggling and isolations are only a few of the skills you'll learn before you're free styling like a pro. Hooping will build your coordination, cardio, elegance and confidence. Listen to some great music and free dance in a judgment free atmosphere! (Period 5)

**MUSICAL THEATRE TROUPE** - (9 – 15) See Drama Dept. (Periods 2, 3)

**YOGA** – Come stretch your mind and body. Learn yoga postures, breathing exercises and relaxation techniques. This is a great way to end the day. Bring serenity to your Summer Arts experience! (Period 6)

**ZUMBA!** – Come on into the world of Zumba, Merengue, Cumbia, Bachata and Reggaeton in the most fun workout you'll ever have! (Period 1)

## **DRAMA DEPARTMENT**

**IMPROV/SKETCH COMEDY** - (Ages 10-15) In this class you will learn the fundamentals of improvisation and develop skills in basic comedic sketch. Build self-confidence, develop creativity, experiment and have fun! (Period 3)

**MUSICAL THEATRE TROUPE** - (Ages 9 – 15) Calling all actors and singers; come be the Summer Arts equivalent of a Broadway star! At the end of each session, we'll perform an original 45-minute musical and bring down the house with our innovative, unique, stellar production. Come prepared for low-key auditions the first day; bring a monologue or poem to read and a song to sing. **Important notes:** The Musical has extra rehearsals after camp every day the last week of each session. We will perform a different musical each session, so you can participate in one or both musicals if you are here for six weeks! (Periods 2, 3)

**STAGE MAKE-UP-** (Ages 8-11, Period 5) (Ages 11-15, Period 6) Ghouls, rock stars, beauty queens, senior citizens, clowns and cats: we'll create them all, using our own faces as palettes. Come learn the basics of stage make-up and have a blast transforming who you are every day of the week. (Periods 5, 6)

**STORYTELLING PERFORMANCE** - Do you love to tell stories? In this class, we will combine drama and writing to present stories from our own lives, the news, and books. We can create scenes, slam poetry, monologues, you name it! Come with a story and a desire to create something new and if you like - present it at the Noontime Show! (Period 1)

**STORY THEATRE** (Ages 6-8) - Come make a play! Story Theatre class will combine fun drama exercises with working towards a small Story Theatre show which can be performed at Noontime Shows and on Festival Day! Tall tales, silly spoofs and improvised antics are all part of Story Theatre. (Period 1)

**TAKE THE STAGE** – (Ages 10 – 15) A class for actors looking to develop their skills through monologues, scene work and improvisation. If you have ever wanted to audition for and star in a play, movie or TV show, then this is the class for you. We'll practice performing all kinds of genres, from the most intense drama to the most insane comedy. Then, we'll strut our stuff during Noontime Shows and during the Arts Festival! (Period 5)

**THEATRE OF THE ABSURD** - OK, we know there is a little absurdity in all of us. So why not tap into it, let it spring forth and watch it evolve into a wild performance that will look at the world from the inside out? Shake up your brain and be a star in an absurd masterpiece! (Period 5)

## **MEDIA DEPARTMENT**

**ACTION FILM ADVENTURE** - Get ready to have the camp on the edge of their seats! We will be creating a mystery/comedy/action film and you will be the directors/producers/ and stars of this zany production. Weird costumes, ray guns and chase scenes can be part of this action packed movie. (Period 3)

**ANIMATION** – (Ages 9 – 15) In this class we will make drawings, puppets, and everyday objects come to life through the magic of animation! Learn how to use animation to make your own characters and creations move on screen. (Period 1)

**COMPUTER ANIMATION** – (Ages 9 – 15) If you like to draw, animate, use the computer or come up with crazy cartoon creations, computer animation is the class for you! We'll learn all the necessary digital tools for doing some super fun animation and experimentation! (Period 6)

**DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY** - Do you like taking pictures? In this class you will learn how to take pictures with your digital camera that you never knew you or your camera could take! Learn the basics of photoshop and image manipulation to create unique, eye catching images. Over the course of this class, we will combine images with music to create computer generated slideshows for the whole world to see! (Periods 1, 2)

**MOCKUMENTARY** (Ages 10 – 15) The audience will be aching with laughter but wondering what is real and what isn't in this comedy film production. Fake or made-up events are presented in a "documentary" format. We will choose a topic, blend scripted and improvised interviews, shoot and edit our very own mockumentary that will keep the audience laughing. (Period 5)

**ONE MINUTE MOVIE MAGIC** – Defy the laws of physics and make magic happen on the screen. You will learn about amazing special effects and be able to include the magic in your one minute movie. Learn about chroma keying, compositing and stop-motion tricks. Some film making experience suggested. (Period 2)

## **MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

**A CAPPELLA** – (Ages 10-15) If you love to sing showtunes, modern, pop, rock, R&B, and jazz music, you will love A Cappella. The class will perform arrangements in which the voices provide all of the music. We will listen to a variety of amazing vocal groups, study intricate harmonies and work on blending as an ensemble to make fantastic music together. Perhaps we will even create our own songs! This class will perform at Noontime Shows and on Festival Day. Previous experience is helpful but not required. (Period 5)

**FUNK, JAZZ & BLUES** – In this band, we will explore a varied repertoire that goes from early Jazz and Blues from the 30s to psychedelic Funk from the 70s and 80s. We will work with different techniques for improvising and soloing. *Minimum two years of experience on your instrument.* Please specify your instrument on the class sign-up sheet. (Period 1)

**MUSICAL THEATRE TROUPE** -(9 – 15) See Drama Dept. (Periods 2, 3)

**PLANET ROCK** – Play in a band! We will play all kinds of popular music ranging from rock (classic, indie, folk), soul, hip-hop, and reggae. We'll play at Noontime Shows and of course on Festival Day. Beginners on any instrument can be part of this adventure. Please specify your instrument on the class sign-up sheet. (Period 2)

**ROCKACITY** – This is our “house band” where young experienced rockers get to play all the “plugged and unplugged” Top hits. We will rock the Noontime Shows! Are you experienced? *Minimum two years of practice on your instrument.* Please specify your instrument on the class sign-up sheet. (Period 6)

**WILD CARD BAND** – Have you ever wanted to write a song but don't know where to get started? This is a chance for your music to come to life! In this band we'll compose and perform our own songs. So bring any and all ideas and we'll start writing some hits! (Period 3)

**YOUR VOICE** – We will be doing all kinds of singing in this class – Broadway songs to top hits of today and yesterday. This is your chance to let your voice soar at Noontime Shows and the Arts Festival. Come celebrate the power of your voice! (Period 1)

## **SPORTS DEPARTMENT**

**BALL GAMES** - If the game uses a ball, we play it! There will be whiffle ball, softball, monsterball, pickle, home run derby, four square, and tennis ball baseball, among others. All ability levels will have fun in this action packed class. (Period 2)

**GAME ON!** - If you like to run around and play games, then this class is for you. Game On plays favorites including Capture the Flag, Dr. Dodgeball, Ultimate Football, Kickball, Dr. Ultimate Flagball, and Steal the Bacon, among many others. Learn how to play new games while also playing some of your old favorites. Every day brings new and exciting group games. Ready, set, GAME ON! (Periods 3, 6)

**HOOPS AND MORE** - Have fun improving your basketball skills through drills, small games and scrimmages. Experienced coaches combine court games with fun games off the court to make HOOPS AND MORE exciting and fresh every day. (Period 5)

**SOCCER** - Have fun working on your soccer skills and playing games in a supportive environment. Daily warm-ups and exercises lead to full field scrimmages. Everyone plays with a goal of advancing both your skill and enjoyment of soccer. (Period 1)

**ULTIMATE FRISBEE** – Come play with the flying disc in the ultimate game! This fast paced game includes all the great aspects of basketball and football without the contact. Passes, turnovers, interceptions and completions are all part of the action. Come have the ultimate experience! (Period 2)

## **SWIMMING DEPARTMENT**

**SWIMMING LEVELS 1 & 2** - This class will encourage students to be safe and comfortable moving around in the water and changing their body position in the pool. Students will learn to put their faces in the water, and float on their stomach and back. In addition, we will develop a foundation of safety skills and learn fundamental rescue techniques. (Period 5)

**SWIMMING LEVEL 3** - Students will learn the front crawl stroke, the back crawl stroke, and the elementary backstroke. You must already be comfortable floating and putting your faces in the water. In this class, you will learn new skills to add to your swimming confidence. (Period 3)

**SWIMMING LEVEL 4** - Students will learn to swim the breaststroke and sidestroke while working to perfect the front crawl stroke, the back crawl stroke, and the elementary backstroke. Students in this class must already be comfortable swimming in water deeper than 5 feet. Students should also be comfortable swimming at least one lap (non-stop) of the front crawl and back crawl strokes. (Period 3)



**SWIMMING LEVEL 5** - Students will be introduced to the butterfly while working to perfect the front crawl stroke, back crawl stroke, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, and sidestroke. Students in this class must be comfortable swimming at least 2 laps of the front crawl and back crawl strokes. You should also be comfortable swimming at least one lap of elementary backstroke, side-stroke, and breaststroke. (Period 6)

**SWIMMING LEVEL 6** - Students will work to perfect all swimming strokes and increase their efficiency and endurance by swimming long distances. Advanced rescue techniques are taught here as well. Students should be comfortable swimming at least 2 laps (non-stop) of all swimming strokes. (Period 6)

*All of the swimming courses are taught by certified Red Cross instructors.*

## **TEXTILES DEPARTMENT**

**COSTUMES** - Put your sewing, gluing and cutting skills to the test and help make our musical productions come to life! Explore character development while improving your sewing and design skills as we create the costumes for the camp musical production. Sewing skills a plus but not necessary. (Period 2)

**FASHION DESIGN** - Design your own clothing from scratch. Anything is possible! Each student will work on his/ her own fashion designs and present them at the Noontime Show and in the Festival Day fashion show. Strike a pose wearing your very own creation. Previous sewing experience strongly encouraged. (Period 1)

**SOFT MONSTERS** - Let your imagination run wild! Foam and fabric, fangs and claws, fur and fuzziness, paint and elastic – monsters and creatures will come to life. We will draw, pattern and build our own soft sculptures. Where are the wild things? In the Textiles Room! (Period 6)

**WEARABLE ART** - Masks! Hats! Wings! Make art that you can wear! Fashion and art collide as we discover how to create wearable sculptures for art and fun! We will learn techniques for making sculptures that go on the body and incorporate these creative ideas into making awesome and wearable garments. Sewing skills a plus but not mandatory! (Period 3)

## **WRITING DEPARTMENT**

**CREATIVE WRITING I** – (Ages 8-11) Do you love stories? Here you can write new plots, create new characters, invent new worlds, and spin your tales. Do you love the sounds of words? Here you can play with words, try on new sounds, and explore your imagination as you create your own poetry. We will explore many types of stories and poems as you write and share your work. (Period 5)

**CREATIVE WRITING II** - (Ages 11-15) You have a story inside you, just itching to get out – set it free! Or maybe that poem has been rattling around your brain for weeks – shake it loose! In this course, you will imagine new worlds, nurture your characters, weave that poem, write your story, and capture your brilliance. In a fun, supportive environment, you can try out new angles and share new ideas as you develop your own writer’s voice. (Period 6)

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**THE GRYPHON GAZETTE** - The Summer Arts daily newspaper, *The Gryphon Gazette*, will say what’s REALLY going on, from more angles than you thought possible. You’ll choose for your news-beat the areas that most interest you. You’ll cover the world of imagination as well as the real world. You’ll get out a newspaper every day no matter what it takes. Start being a real-world writer. Be a part of a team. Have a blast. Join our newspaper! (Periods 2, 3)