

**Oak Street School
After School
Mini-Units Program
Spring 2012**



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Mission of the After School

Mini-Units Program

After School Mini-Unit courses provide fun, challenge, and excitement for learning that capitalizes on the multiple intelligences of children. Instructors may be teachers, parents, and/or community members who are substitute certified.

Spring Schedule

***Spring courses run from
3:15 - 4:30***

Monday classes meet:

January 30
February 6, 13, 27
March 5, 12, 19
April 2

Tuesday classes meet:

January 31
February 7, 14, 28
March 6, 13, 20
April 3

Thursday classes meet:

February 2, 9, 16
March 1, 8, 15, 22
April 5

Monday Courses

Computer Fun	Grades K-2
Gym Games	Grades K-2
Wild About Rainforests	Grades K-3
Calling All Cooks	Grades 1-4
Soaring Science	Grades 2-5

Tuesday Courses

Beat Your Streak	Grades K-5
Art Studio	Grades K-5
Strategy Games	Grades 1-2
Magical Mixtures	Grades 1-2
Webmasters	Grades 3-5
Paper Crafts	Grades 3-5

Thursday Courses

Yo Hablo Español	Grades K-5
Magic School Bus	Grades K-2
Sports Crafts	Grades K-3
Board Games	Grades K-3
Craft Mania	Grades 2-4
Set Design	Grades 3-5
Beauty and the Beast	Grades 4-5

Important Information

Tuition is \$85.00 per student for each eight-week course.

Checks must be made payable to
Bernards Township Board of
Education.

Please issue a separate check for each course in which your child is enrolled.

Registration:

Begins Friday, January 13
Ends Friday, January 20

Registration is on a **first come, first served** basis.

Fifth Graders have preference for Beauty and the Beast!

Please list a 2nd and 3rd choice in case your 1st choice is full.

Any registration sent in after Friday, September January 20th and before the start of class will be charged a \$15.00 late fee.

(Checks sent in should be made out for \$100.00)

Student scholarships are available. Please call 204-2565 ext. 341 for more information.



Confirmation slips, including room assignments and special reminders will be sent home during the week of January 23.

Classes begin on Monday, January 30.

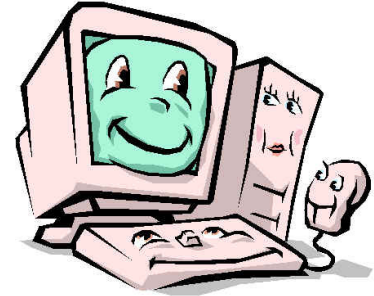
No registrations will be accepted after courses begin

Please remind your child on the morning of his/her mini unit so there is no confusion at the end of the school day. Thanks!

Monday Courses

Computer Fun!

Let's have fun with computers! We will become experienced Internet surfers, play educational subject-oriented games (math, reading, science, social studies and more), print our completed projects, and use our skills to succeed in learning. We will be able to access Oak Street website from home to keep playing. Come Aboard!



Instructor: Mrs. Tanya Tadanev

Grades: K-2

Gym Games



Tag! You're it! In this course, we will play an awesome variety of non-competitive games. Children will have the opportunity to play some of their favorite games with a creative twist. Students will learn some new ones, too! Children will practice their stretching, jumping, running and throwing skills in a safe and fun environment.

Instructor: Mrs. Katie Horbatt

Grades: K-2

Wild About Rainforests

We will have fun learning about the rainforest! Each week, we will read rainforest stories and make fun animal crafts. Also, we will discuss ways to help protect the rainforest and even make a yummy rainforest snack!



Instructor: Ms. Megan Malone

Grades: K-3

Monday Courses Continued

Calling All Cooks



If you love spending time in the kitchen and you're itching to help mom or dad create something yummy, then this is the class for you! Get ready to use your imagination and learn the importance of following sequenced steps in order to cook-up a delicious creation! Over the course of our mini-unit, you will begin collecting a variety of scrumptious recipes that will last a lifetime. Just think, by the end of this class you will become a marvelous cook who will impress your family and friends! Join Calling All Cooks and be proud to wear your chef's hat!

(Please note: Recipes may contain peanuts, milk, and wheat products.)

Instructor: Mrs. Linda Mullen

Grades: 1-4

Soaring Science

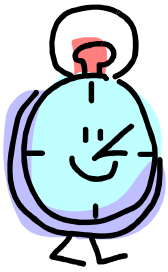
How do birds fly? Why do some birds stay here in the winter? Does the shape of a feather really matter? What bird was that? Join Mr. Denys on a scientific adventure to answer these questions and many more. Get ready to take flight as we explore the world of birds and flight through hands-on experiments, interactive games, field guides, and crafts—including nest construction, and building paper airplanes based on birds. By the end of the session, participants will be able to identify common birds by sight and sound and construct a bird feeder or birdhouse. So join us if you've ever dreamed of flying with the birds, but didn't know how!



Instructor: Mr. Glen Denys

Grades: 2-5

Tuesday Courses



Beat Your Streak

Do you want a mini unit where you can run around and have fun! "Beat Your Streak" is the perfect mini unit for you! This fun class is based on both team and individual challenges. "Beat Your Streak" will include some challenges from one of NBC's newest sensation "Minute to Win It!" which requires contestants to complete challenges in 60 seconds. Students will not only compete in 60-second activities, but will also compete in other team-building activities for the next eight weeks. Prepare prepared to work well under pressure! Can't wait to see you there!

****Please wear sneakers!****

Instructor: Mrs. Christina Donahue

Grades: K-5

Art Studio

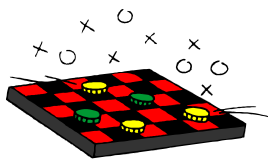
Work in the art room doing projects that YOU have always wanted to do!! Clay, painting, sculptures, shrinky dinks, anything! YOU pick it and Ms. Braun will teach it!!



****Please note:** This course has been designed for students with special needs. Priority placement in this course will be given to students with special needs, but all students are welcome to register if space allows. The maximum enrollment for this course will be 12 students, and an assistant teacher will be present at all times. **The cost for this course is \$129.**

Instructor: Ms. Jen Braun

Grades: K-5



Strategy Games

Learn how to play a variety of strategy-oriented board games such as Sorry, Trouble, Connect Four, Checkers, and Jumanji. The children will also learn how to play cooperatively while dealing with healthy competition in a fun, stress-free environment.

Instructor: Mr. Bill Baker

Grades: 1-2

Tuesday Courses Continued

Magical Mixtures

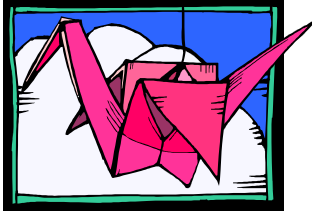
Do you like experimenting with mixtures? We will use a variety of materials to create magical mixtures: homemade fun dough, homemade finger paint and paper mache to name a few. Students should come prepared to "get their hands dirty" and have lots of fun!



Instructor: Mrs. Christine Russo

Grades: 1-2

Paper Crafts



Each week we will experiment to see what kind of art we can create from a lot of paper, some glue, and some creativity from you. Paper experiments will include origami, pointillism, mosaics, murals, and more.

Instructors: Mrs. Christine Chiravalle

Grades 3-5

Webmasters

Kids, have you ever wondered how web sites are created? Well, now you can learn! Join Webmasters and you will design and create your own websites! Students will research an interesting topic of their choice (such as Jupiter, Yankees, China, giraffes, rocks, dinosaurs, soccer, etc), learn how to add color, type in text, save and edit images from the Internet, add animations, and create links and buttons. The webmasters will learn how to use Microsoft Front Page to create awesome web pages. The last day of this course we will enjoy a special open house so the students can present their websites to their parents!



Instructor: Mrs. Sue Philhower

Grades: 3-5

Thursday Courses

Yo Hablo Español



Are you interested in learning Spanish? You won't want to miss out on this fun mini unit! Come take a journey with Senorita Donahue as we explore Spanish numbers, colors, children's books, Simon says, songs, Bingo, freeze dance, and much, much more! Be

prepared to have fun! If you took Spanish 1, 2, 3 already, please come join us again! Activities will vary! ¡Hasta pronto! (See you soon!)

Instructor: Ms. Christina Donahue

Grades: K-5

Magic School Bus Adventures

Take a trip on the magic school bus with Mrs. Taccarino and her friends! We will have so much fun as we learn about the human body, volcanos, dinosaurs, the solar system and more! What adventures we will have together! Each week we will read a book or watch a video using the Magic School Bus series and either do an activity, craft, or experiment! You'll look forward to each and every trip!



Instructor: Mrs. Kim Taccarino

Grades: K-2

Sports Crafts

If



you are a sports fan, this is the class for you! We will create many different crafts and projects to thrill any athlete, girls and boys!

After sharing a sports-themed story each day, we will make many fun items, including a frame to display one of your favorite team photos, a keychain, a necklace, and a water bottle holder. Various sports will be represented in this class and many crafts can be tailored to your favorite sport. Don't strike out, you won't want to miss this fun class!

Instructor: Ms. Megan Malone

Grades: K-3

Thursday Courses Continued

Board Games

You can't be bored with board games! Come learn how to take turns, work in teams, and think strategically as you enjoy playing some old time favorites like Connect Four, Chutes and Ladders, Guess Who, Battleship, and more!



Instructor: Mrs. Theresa Glazier

Grades: K-3

Craft Mania



Let's have fun with crafts! Eight weeks of crafts with a different project every week! We will make a braided bracelet, an egg carton animal, finger puppets, popsicle-character theater, edible snowflakes, and more. Look for an exciting new activity each class!

Instructor: Mrs. Tanya Tadenev and Mrs. Janean McElyea

Grades: 2-4

Set Design

Take part in making the set and props for the school musical! (See the Beauty and the Beast mini-unit information in this packet.) This mini unit is for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders to take part in the musical another way-by doing the artwork! Join Ms. Braun in making assorted props out of different materials and painting the scenery. How fun!



Instructor: Ms. Jennifer Braun

Grades: 3-5

Musical-Thursdays and Fridays

Beauty and the Beast



Have you ever dreamed of being in a musical? Then come and join the cast of *BEAUTY AND THE BEAST!* In this mini unit, we will learn the basics of acting, singing, dance, and improvisation. At the end of the session, we will perform a fully staged production of *BEAUTY AND THE BEAST*, adapted from the classic Disney film.

Please note: This mini unit meets on both Thursdays and Fridays until 5:00 PM. **You must be available both days for the full time to participate in this mini unit!** Also, the rehearsals will extend beyond the official end of mini units. We will have rehearsals through April 19th, with the evening show April 20th. A full schedule will be sent out once registration is complete. This mini-unit runs for two days a week, so the cost of the mini-unit is \$170.00. (The standard \$85.00 fee twice.)

Additionally, while everyone in this mini-unit will have a role in the show, you must be aware that it might not be your child's first choice. The experience of performing in a musical is very special, whichever part you receive, and we expect that every participant will have a positive attitude throughout the process. We look forward to this year's production!!

Instructors: Ms. Meredith Rymer and Ms. Sheri Rosenbaum
Grades: 4-5, PREFERENCE IS GIVEN TO FIFTH GRADERS!

If you have any questions contact the program director,
Stephanie Corcoran at 204-2565, ext. 341 or
scorcoran@bernardsboe.com.

Please send mini unit registrations back to Oak Street in a marked
envelope - mini units.

**After School Mini-Units Program
Oak Street School**

*Please note that all classes will be filled on a first-come, first serve basis. Check # _____

Monday Courses - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____ Home Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY MINI-UNIT NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL

Emergency Name: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

- Siblings must each have their own registration form. **Make checks out to Bernards Township Board of Education.**
- Taxpayer Identification #: 22-6001655
- Please issue a separate check (\$85.00 or \$129.00 or \$170.00) for each child and for each course you enroll your child(ren) in.
- **Registration Fee after January 20, 2012 and prior to start of course will be \$100.00 or \$144.00 (special needs course) or \$185.00 (Beauty and the Beast).**

Please enroll my child in the following mini-unit:

Monday Course: _____

Alternatives:

Second choice: Day: _____ Course: _____

Third choice: Day: _____ Course: _____

Instructor should be aware of the following medical condition(s), allergies, or special needs:

****Please indicate if your child is prescribed an EpiPen:** _____

Please note that there will not be a nurse in the school building during courses.

The following people have my permission to transport my child home from school:

(name and phone #)

(name and phone #)

Unless your child is attending OSAC, he/she will be picked up at the Oak Street Car Loop – either by car or a parent can walk to pick up your child. NO child will be allowed to walk home by themselves.

After mini units, my child will be picked up by (circle one):

Car Walking Adult OSAC

Signature of Parent/Guardian : _____

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Tuesday Courses - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____ Home Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Thursday Courses - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____ Home Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Emergency Name: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

- Siblings must each have their own registration form. **Make checks out to Bernards Township Board of Education.**
- Taxpayer Identification #: 22-6001655
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Thursday Course: _____

Alternatives:

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Important Information & Reminders

- In order for class to be held, a required minimum must be met. **This varies per course, but as a rule 12 students per class are required. Some classes are limited to a maximum number of students, and that will be noted in the course description. Classes may have 20 participants with two instructors.**
- Course descriptions that indicate they are designed for students with special needs are limited to 12 students per class and these classes will be staffed with an assistant. In order for these courses to run, a minimum of 10 students is required.
- Tuition is \$85.00 per student for each eight-week course. Tuition for classes designed for special needs students, with smaller teacher/student ratio is \$129.00 per student for each eight-week course. Checks should be made payable to the **Bernards Township Board of Education**.
 - **SIBLINGS MUST EACH HAVE THEIR OWN REGISTRATION FORM.**
 - **PLEASE ISSUE A SEPARATE CHECK (\$85.00) FOR EACH COURSE**
 - **A SEPARATE FORM AND CHECK MUST BE USED FOR EACH CHILD/COURSE.**
 - **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE (\$85.00 or \$129.00) TO BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION.**
 - **Incorrect registration forms/checks will be returned and spots will not be held.**
 - **If first choice is closed, alternative will be given only if filled in on form. Please choose an alternative.**
- Student scholarships are available for those who need support. Contact scorcoran@bernardsboe.com for more information.
- Once a decision has been made as to the course the student wishes to take, the registration should be sent in as soon as possible. Course Placement is done on **first come, first serve basis**. Registration begins on **Friday, January 13, 2012 and ends on Friday, January 20, 2012**.
 - **If you submit registration after January 20, 2012 and before classes begin, you must pay a \$15.00 Late Registration Fee. Once classes begin, registration is closed.**
- **Course Placement Decisions:** Classes are filled in the order the registration forms are received. Once a class is full (15-20 students, depending upon the class and the number of instructors), every effort will be made to place the student in a second or third choice class.
- **Confirmations will be emailed on or before Friday, January 27, 2012.** Classes will begin on Monday, January 30 and Tuesday, January 31 and Thursday, February 2, 2012. **All classes will start at 3:15 and end at 4:30.**
- **If a student is present at school, but will not be attending his/her course, THE STUDENT MUST BRING A NOTE TO SCHOOL. If plans change during the day, email scorcoran@bernardsboe.com or call the office.**
- Children who are absent from school during the day, are not permitted to attend the After School Mini-Units Program.
- Students are encouraged to bring their own snack with them for their Mini-Units course.
- If After School Mini-Unit courses are canceled due to an inclement weather day, it will be made up at a later date.
- **Please be aware that during the After School Mini-Units Program there will be NO NURSE IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING.**
- It is presumed that all students will behave in an appropriate manner. **School rules of conduct apply to the After School Mini-Units Program.** A student who violates the rules may be removed from the program. **Please discuss this with your child.**
- **Please remind your child on the day that he or she has courses to attend. No refunds will be given for missed classes.**
- **If children are walkers at dismissal time, an adult must accompany them home.**
- Children must be picked up promptly by 4:30. If late pickups occur more than twice, the student will not be allowed to continue the program. No refund will be given.