



## Important Dates:

-February 18<sup>th</sup>- Kids' Club closed in observation of Presidents' Day.

-February Vacation is February 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Space is still available for most grades. **Separate registration is required.**

### Feb. Vacation themes:

- 2/19- Disney Slumber Party- Wear your Pajamas!
- 2/20- Engineering/Building Day
- 2/21- Heritage Day
- 2/22- Fiesta Friday

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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### Kids' Club Winter Weather Policy 2018-2019

**Delayed opening of School:** If there is a delayed opening of the schools, the KIDS' CLUB Before School program will open as follows: 1 hour delayed opening of school - KIDS' CLUB opens at 8:00 AM. 90 minute or 2-hour delay - KIDS' CLUB opens at 8:30 AM. Drop-In space may be available. Please call to determine if there is availability.

**Early closing of School:** If schools close early due to weather or other circumstances, KIDS' CLUB will remain open to the greatest extent possible. Children scheduled to attend KIDS' CLUB will be bussed to KIDS' CLUB when the schools dismiss. KIDS' CLUB will inform parents via e-mail and phone calls to any changes in our normal schedule. In addition, any such change will be put on our outgoing phone message on 781-275-5427. Factors in making this decision include maintaining legal child/staff ratios and keeping staff and families safe when commuting to and from KIDS' CLUB. We appreciate your cooperation in picking up your child early on these occasions when possible. There are no refunds for Scheduled or Drop-In Care on these days.



**Snow Days:** *When the Bedford Public Schools are closed due to snow, KIDS' CLUB will be closed for both Before and After School Care.* Scheduled Care tuition will be refunded on these days. If there is questionable weather during a Vacation Week or No School Teacher Workshop Day, please call 781-275-5427 and listen to the outgoing message which will state whether or not KIDS' CLUB will open that day.



Dear Kids' Club Families, It is February and there is a good chance there will soon be snow on the ground worthy of sledding in. We want to remind you that Kids' Club has had a long history of bringing children outside to sled during the winter months. Many children enjoy participating in sledding but we can only allow those who have appropriate attire to go out and sled. Please remember to send your children to Kids' Club with hats, gloves, boots, scarves, snow pants, and a change of clothing if you think they are interested in going outside to play. All children who attend Kids' Club have access to a cubby and can leave snow apparel here if they wish.

Dear Kids' Club Families,

We would like to kindly request that parents make all non-essential/non-emergency calls to the Kids' Club office during the hours of 10am and 2pm. After 2pm, it has become increasingly difficult for the office staff to manage the needs of the children, and classroom teachers, while fielding non-essential calls.

Please make calls pertaining to absences, policies, schedule changes, events, and other routine discussions prior to 2pm. We greatly appreciate your help with this as we want to be able to give you, and your children, the proper attention.



## BUS SAFETY REMINDER:

Although transportation to and from Kids' Club is managed by Bedford Charter Service and Bedford Public Schools, we would like your help in reminding students about appropriate bus behavior.



In the afternoon, there are up to 77 children on one bus, which means children are riding 3 to a seat. It is important all children remember to:

1. Remain in their seat throughout the duration of the bus ride.
2. Refrain from screaming and yelling while on the bus. Teasing, mocking, bullying, while on the bus, will not be tolerated.
3. Physical contact such as horse-playing, pushing, grabbing, etc. are not tolerated.
4. Keep in mind riding the Kids' Club bus is a privilege that can be taken away if behavior is inappropriate. Students who are disruptive to the safety of others on the bus will be removed and parents will be responsible for transportation to Kids' Club.

**If your child reports unsafe incidents that are occurring on the Kids' Club bus, please contact the child's school directly to report these incidents.**

## MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE (EEC) CHILD EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS:

As required by EEC regulations, KIDS' CLUB will be providing parents/guardians with a Child Evaluation for each child attending our program. Families can expect these evaluations to be distributed at pick up time during the month of February or Early March 2019.

Upon receiving and reviewing your child's evaluation, you may wish to discuss your child's progress further by scheduling a conference with your child's group leaders. Please contact the office if you are interested in meeting.

## Cleaning House?



For those of you who may be thinking of repurposing some items to make room, after the holidays, please consider donating to Bedford Kids' Club. We are always looking for new or gently used magnatiles, art supplies, paper, sports equipment, hot wheels, and games. We are always open to considering other items you think the children may enjoy while spending their afternoons here at Kids' Club.

## Kids' Club Helps The Bedford Food Pantry



This month, the Bedford Food Pantry is in search of the following donations: Baby food or formula, toothpaste, soup, sugar, toiletries, and oatmeal. Please keep them in mind when you are cleaning out your cabinets or doing your weekly grocery shopping.

Thanks,

Mr. Will



*As you know, staff here at Kids' Club love to incorporate cooking projects with the students. Because of this reason, it is imperative that you inform us of your child's food allergies, especially if they are newly developed. Every student with a potential life-threatening allergy should have an Epi-pen or other medications on site at all times. If you have a new allergy to report, please stop by the office and let us know.*

## Kids' Jam is Back!!



On Wednesday afternoons, Ms. Danielle from Kamate Fitness will be holding free classes for students in grades K/1 and

2. All your child has to do, in order to participate, is to sign up with their teacher on Wednesday afternoons. For those of you who are unfamiliar with Kids' Jam, Ms. Danielle offers a combination of dance, yoga, and fitness put together with some of today's most popular dance songs. Ms. Danielle has been a part of the Kids' Club community for a long time now and is a caring, fun, high energy instructor who knows how to make fitness fun for all ages. Please let your student know about this opportunity and encourage them to join.

## Community Service Update:

Starting next month, we will begin our community service project for the **Northeast Animal Shelter, located in Salem, MA**. We will have a donation location right near the Kids' Club Desk. We use these opportunities to teach children the value and positive feelings that come from giving to those in need, both people and animals. Here is a list of items that we will be collecting and bringing to the shelter:

Things We Need

**Priority items needed: Fleece blankets, cat litter, paper towels, dry and canned cat and kitten food, Trash Bags, Post-It Notes, Gift Cards.**

### Food

Canned Dog and Cat food (Blue Buffalo, Wellness, Merrick, 9-Lives, Friskies, Fancy Feast, or other premium and grain-free preferred)

Dry puppy, dog, kitten, & cat food (Blue Buffalo or other high quality and grain-free \*first 3 ingredients no corn or by-products preferred)

Jars of all-meat baby food (beef or chicken) (for our orphaned babies)

Baby Rice powdered cereal

Canned Chicken (for picky eaters)

Peanut Butter (for Kong Treats)

### Puppy/Dog Toys

Chew toys (Nylabone or Benebone)

Dog Kongs

Food puzzles

Squeaky Toys

Cat/Kitten Toys ([click here for amazon link](#))

Catnip toys and Jingle balls, etc..

Food puzzles

Stretch and Scratch Pads

Medical Supplies

that have been dispensed to you under a new label.

Paper Towels

Cloth Towels

Blankets and Sheets

Laundry detergent

Bleach

Trash bags (13 and 55 gallon sizes)

Dish Sponges

Dog Waste bags

Paw Safe Ice Melt

Garden Pails/Watering Cans



# KIDS' CLUB MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

## 2019-2020

Dear Kids' Club Families,

Kids' Club Membership for the 2019-2020 Summer Fun and School Year will open soon. If you are interested in becoming a member, or continuing your membership, you will want to make notes of the following dates and information:

- **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**- Kids' Club Membership Packets will be available online. All families must complete the Membership packet completely before you are eligible for scheduled care sign-up on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.
- A membership fee of \$50, along with a **COMPLETE** forms packet, must be submitted in order for your family to be eligible for Summer Fun and School Year scheduled care sign up.
- **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**- Schedule Care Sign up for Summer Fun 2019 and School Year 2019-2020 opens. This is a first come, first serve sign-up process. Scheduled Care forms will not be accepted for families who have not fully completed their Kids' Club Membership application or who have an outstanding 2018-2019 tuition balance.

### NEW TUITION RATES FOR SUMMER FUN AND SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020:

Schedule options:	Daily rate per child for 2019-2020
Summer Fun Full Day	\$67
Summer Fun Half Day Mornings (7am-12:30pm)	\$40
Summer Fun Half Day Afternoon (12:30 pm-6pm)	\$40
Before School	\$13
After School	\$31
School Vacation and Teacher Workshop Days	\$67