

Matters Camp Guide

Fun for the summer is just months away!
Sign up early for the best opportunities.



CAMP NAME/LOCATION	CONTACT	AGES/DATES	ABOUT THE CAMP
Blue Life Karate 1882 Springfield Avenue Maplewood	Shihan Durand Howard Owner 908-967-8132 bluelifekarate.com	Ages 6 - 13 July 5 - August 12 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.	At Karate camp, kids learn karate skills disguised as fun. Registration is \$85 per child, which includes T-shirt and karate shorts. Camp tuition is \$244 per week, with a two-week minimum.
Class Act Performing Arts Studio 128 Irvington Avenue South Orange	Page O'Connor Executive Director 973-789-0191 classactPAS.com	Ages 3 - 15 June 27 - August 5	Class Act offers two camps: Broadway Starz, for ages 3-6, has weeklong sessions that explore music and movement with a different theme each week. Musical Theater and Dance Intensives, for ages 7-10 and 11-15, help students develop technique, artistry and movement exploration.
Cora Hartshorn Arboretum and Bird Sanctuary 324 Forest Drive South Short Hills	Tedor Whitman Executive Director 973-376-3587 hartshornarboretum.org	Ages 4 - 9 Winter Break; Spring Break; June Mini Camps; Summer Camp; see website for dates	The Cora Hartshorn Arboretum Winter and Spring Break mini camps allow campers to investigate seasonal changes in the forest while enjoying outdoor adventures. Mini camps are for 4-year-olds - K. Register by the day or week. Summer camps have three age groups: Turtle Tots for 4-year-olds through rising K, Explorers for rising 1st and 2nd graders, and Trailblazers for rising 3rd and 4th graders. Registration is by week.
Far Brook School 52 Great Hills Road Short Hills	Melissa Williams Camp Director 973-379-3442 farbrook.org/summer/	Nursery - Grade 9 June 21 - August 12 Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., extended hours available	Summer at Far Brook creates lifetime memories! Fun, engaging, multidisciplinary day camp programs include sports instruction, outdoor exploration, leadership development for older campers, and unique week-long master classes taught by highly credentialed and knowledgeable camp staff, including Far Brook faculty.
Kids Camp 120 Burnett Avenue Maplewood	Melissa Mancuso Director of Community Services 973-221-9023 maplewood.recdesk.com/community/home	Grades K - 5 June 27 - August 19	Maplewood and South Orange children are invited to make summer memories. Each week includes swimming, special event days, and trips to Maplecrest Park, along with tons of arts and crafts, and outside time. Objectives include developing friendships and team building interactions, discovering healthy living habits, appreciating diversity, and having fun. Before and after care is available. Register online.
KinderGan Preschool 113 Parker Avenue Maplewood	Frumie Bogomilsky Director 973-763-7455 kinderganpreschool.org	Ages 2 - 5 June 27- August 5	KinderGan Kiddie Camp is dedicated to enriching the lives of children. Innovative themes and creative activities provide enjoyment and inspire children to try new and exciting things. Activities include music, art, science, water play, and lots of action.
Little Apple Arts Theatrical Enrichment St. George's Church 550 Ridgewood Road Maplewood	Becky Fisher Owner littleappleartstheatre@gmail.com littleapplearts.com	Grades 1 - 5 July 11 - August 4	At Little Apple Arts summer camps, children will explore and play within the world of the dramatic arts. Each week is centered around a theme and offers acting, dancing, singing, crafting and games that go toward building a show that is unique and delightful. The camp celebrates kids' ideas while stretching and encouraging their imaginations and theatrical abilities.
Lydia Johnson Dance School and Camp The Burgdorff Center 10 Durand Road Maplewood	Lydia Johnson Artistic Director lydia@lydiajohnsondance.org lydiajohnsondanceschool.com	Ages 3 - 5 and Grades 6 - 10 July 11 - 29	Dance Camp offers: Outdoor Creative Ballet classes for 3 - 5-year-olds on M, W, and F mornings, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., weeks 1, 2, and 3. Dance Camp with Choreography, weeks 2 and 3, is for rising 6-10th graders and includes daily technique class, outdoor snack time and choreography workshop, taught by professional dancers. A Teen Internships program lets teens assist with Dance Camp and choreograph their own dances, weeks 1, 2 and 3. Includes stipend.
Maplewood Outside School South Mountain Reservation Essex County	Christy Zolty Director 973-913-4792 maplewoodoutsideschool.com	Ages 3 - 8 June 20 - August 19 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. (with extended day to 3 p.m.)	Maplewood Outside School offers the wonder and simplicity of a summer day spent outdoors. In the wilderness of South Mountain Reservation; students climb trees, dig in the mud and celebrate the natural landscape.