

PSACC CLASS & ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3:05 to 3:55	<p>Roots & Wings Kindergarten</p> <p>Kickball Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Experimental Music Ensemble Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Storybook Theater Grades 3 – 4</p> <p>MIT Scratch Grades 4 – 5</p>	<p>Schoolyard Sports Mixer Kindergarten</p> <p>Schoolyard Soccer Grades 1 (Goes on Winter break for January & February)</p> <p>Art Naturally Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Digital Music Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Irish Step Dance Grades 1 – 2</p>	<p>Artist Playground Kindergarten</p> <p>Art Naturally, Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Sketchbook + Making Things Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Ballet Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Yoga Grade 1</p> <p>Knitting Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Kickball Grades 3 – 5</p>	<p>Music Kindergarten</p> <p>Chess, 3:45 – 4:30 Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Capoeira Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Join the Circus Grades 4 – 5</p> <p>Pop Life! Grades 3 – 4</p> <p>Lacrosse Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>MIT Scratch Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>The Art of Cake Decorating Grades 2 – 5</p>	<p>Join the Circus Kindergarten</p> <p>Musical Thtr Glee Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Playing With Lines Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Galli German Theater Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Word Wizards: A Fantasy Writing Workshop Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Gardening Grades 1 – 5</p>
3:00 to 5:00		<p>Soccer in the Park Grades 2 – 5 (Goes on Winter break for January & February)</p>			<p>Track Grades 3 – 5 2:45 – 4:45</p>
	<p>Flag Football 3:05 – 4:00 Grades 3 – 5 (class subject to cancellation due to weather)</p>	<p>Wiffle Ball Clinic 4:00 – 5:00 Grades 2 – 5 (class subject to cancellation due to weather)</p>	<p>Track 3:05 – 4:00 Grades 2 – 3 (class subject to cancellation due to weather)</p>	<p>Flag Football 3:05 – 4:00 Grades 3 – 5 (class subject to cancellation due to weather)</p>	
4:00 to 4:50	<p>Roots & Wings Kindergarten</p> <p>Jr. Acting Lab Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Pop Life! Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Karate Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>MIT Scratch Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Experimental Music Ensemble Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Cooking, 4:00-5:45 Grades 3 – 5</p>	<p>Schoolyard Sports Mixer Kindergarten</p> <p>Fencing Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Naturalist Club, 4:00-5:15 Grades 2 – 5</p> <p>Digital Music Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Irish Step Dance Grades 1 – 2</p>	<p>Artist Playground Kindergarten</p> <p>Ballet Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Knitting Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Yoga Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Vocal Jams Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Sketchbook + Making Things Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Intro. To Robotics Grades 2 – 3</p>	<p>Music Kindergarten</p> <p>Chess, 4:30 – 5:30 Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Pop Life! Grades 4 – 5</p> <p>Art Studio 4:00 to 5:30 Grades 2 – 5</p> <p>Capoeira Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Join the Circus Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Lacrosse Grades 4 – 5</p> <p>MIT Scratch Grades 4 – 5</p>	<p>Join the Circus Kindergarten</p> <p>Musical Thtr Glee (solo singing) Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Playing With Lines Grades 1 – 2</p> <p>Galli German Theater Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Gardening Grades 1 – 5</p> <p>Word Wizards: A Fantasy Writing Workshop Grades 4 – 5</p>
4:55 to 5:45	<p>Section 2 Scratch Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Karate Grades 4 – 5</p> <p>Monolog & Scene Study Grades 4 – 5</p>	<p>Fencing Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Graphic Novel Reading Club Grades 2 – 5</p> <p>Dance Choreography 101 Grades 4 – 5</p>	<p>Yoga Grades 4 – 5</p> <p>Vocal Jams Grades 3 – 5</p>	<p>Magic Performance Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>UnBoard Games Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Join the Circus Grades 2 – 3</p> <p>Section 2 Scratch Grades 3 – 5</p>	<p>Musical Thtr Glee Grades 3 – 5</p> <p>Stop Motion Anim. 4:45 – 5:45 Grades 3 – 5</p>

PSACC CLASS & ACTIVITIES DESCRIPTIONS FOR 2016 – 2017

Art Naturally For 1st and 2nd Grade. All new projects for this popular class! Following the rhythms and cycles of nature, children use hands-on experiences, story, dramatic play, art, craft and song to observe and appreciate the natural world around them. Grace Markman is an artist and educator who teaches nature programs for The Nature Conservancy and others (www.gracemarkman.com).

Art Studio Children will explore drawing, painting and printmaking using a variety of media including acrylics, watercolor and oil pastels. Please note that by enrolling your child in this class you are giving permission for your child to go to Prospect Park to draw. Sarah Tanzer is a teaching artist and painter who has taught at various schools in NYC including through LeAp and Pratt's Saturday Art School (www.sarahtanzer.com).

Artist Playground Children will have a blast exploring various materials and modalities while exploring their creative side in this mixed media arts class. Abby Roberts has spent the past 10 years teaching art and working with children and families as a Program Coordinator at the local YMCA. She is a child enthusiast and enjoys teaching and promoting growth, learning and creativity. An extremely caring and compassionate teacher, Ms. Roberts is also a mom of four.

Capoeira (pronounced ka-po-ay-ra) is an Afro-Brazilian art form that fuses dance, music, self-defense and acrobatics. Capoeira class creates a space where kids can be playful, animated, graceful and unique in a safe, fun and disciplined environment. Romulo Gonzaga of the Brazilian Association for the Support and Development of the Art of Capoeira will lead this class.

Chess is a game of imagination and strategy, which combines the best aspects of both art and science with critical thinking. Good sportsmanship is taught to both winners and non-winners alike. Class duration times vary from standard period times for each grade level, please note class time on schedule. Carol Ann Caronia has taught chess to thousands of Park Slope children in both public school classrooms and in afterschool programs.

Dance Choreography 101 Choreography 101 is a composition class in movement for the after-school program at PS107. The weeks will be divided into units on certain topics with corresponding projects that carry over through the weeks so the students can deepen their material. Different cultures will be represented, going into classical ballet, modern dance, and postwar postmodernism, with a corresponding choreographic figure to be the main role model. Composition/improvisation exercises would then be modeled on making short pieces in the style of that choreographer.

On the surface, choreography 101 is a class in choreography, on a broader scale, the class will sharply hone choice-making skills, problem solving skills, individual voices/points of view, encourage collaborative group work, instill confidence, and deepen the students' relationships with their bodies as well as their bodies in space.

Digital Music Children learn to use the digital app Garage Band. Working on computers that create a platform of touch instruments, children will create musical masterpieces in this fun filled class.

Experimental Music Ensemble The experimental music ensemble class will expose students to the fundamentals of music through a fun, hands-on, and non-traditional experience. Through collaborative performance, students will develop their critical listening and communication skills as well as general musical sensibilities by being exposed to the concepts of rhythm, harmony, melody, and texture. Participants will get the opportunity to play acoustic, electronic, and computer generated instruments together. Unlike a traditional music ensemble, we will utilize electronic instruments and instruments in Garageband to create a hybrid acoustic-electric ensemble that examines the world of music from a broader and more contemporary lens, providing participants with a strong musical and technological foundation.

Fencing is a unique sport, rich in history, that will challenge children mentally and physically in a way that few pastimes can. Fencing helps develop confidence, coordination, commitment, focus, patience and respect while having fun. Beginners should wear sweatpants (not shorts or jeans) and athletic shoes. Flat-soled shoes - like tennis or indoor soccer shoes are recommended, but any exercise shoe will do fine to get started. Required equipment

includes a 6-piece set of fencing gear for \$151.00 for boys, and a 7-piece set of fencing gear for \$178.00 for girls that includes a plastic chest protector. The set has front zipper jacket, French grip practice foil, glove, mask, bag and under-arm protector. An instructor from South Brooklyn Fencing will teach this class (<https://southbrooklynfencing.com/>).

Flag Football The Flag Football class focuses on passing, catching and carrying skills, as well as offensive and defensive principles. This class is fun for all skill levels. PSACC Athletic Director Diane DiTonno-Gilhuley will lead this class. Class runs weather permitting.

Galli German Theater Theater is a wonderful tool to increase vocabulary and supplement foreign language learning, while using stories children already know and love. Students will gain confidence not only in German language skills, but also in expressing themselves in front of their peers and an audience. Children will be immersed in the language as they follow directions for warm ups, stage directions and normal classroom instructions in German. This, coupled with using their creativity to construct a theater piece, is a wonderful opportunity to learn German and exercise their imagination. Child with no or a lot of German experience welcome!

Gardening (For Grades 1-5) In this hands-in-the-dirt workshop, children learn about growing healthy plants, indoors and out. The seasons shape activities as fall brings cool-season crops and bulb planting; winter involves indoor growing; and spring, a celebration of germinating seeds, beautiful salad greens... and bugs! Participants will learn about an urban vegetable garden: how soil, water, light, temperature, plant and animal communities' work and about creating a healthy environment for crops in the city. This workshop will include garden maintenance and planting in accordance with the seasons; and sustainable, organic gardening practices. Jonathan Blumberg is a former PS 107 parent and experienced gardener.

Graphic Novel Reading Club For Grades 2-5 who are interested in reading and learning about age-appropriate graphic novels and manga. The purpose of this club is to foster increased literacy and reading for enjoyment and information regardless of current reading ability; to learn to discuss books critically and share opinions with a group; and to have fun with books. Please enroll your child only if you know they will be able to participate in the class as described. Books will be borrowed from the PSACC graphic novel library. Enrollment is limited.

Hip Hop Theater Project Hip Hop is much more than spoken word, music, dance and art; Hip Hop is a vibrant community that brings young people together and empowers them through creative, personal expression. With a focus on the idea of the cipher—a circle where each member supports and challenges one another to be their best—this class will construct its own piece of Hip Hop theater as an ensemble with music, movement and art.

Intro To Ballet From pliés to grande jetés, ballet basics will be taught in a fun and engaging environment. Children will learn proper technique and terminology, while expressing their creativity through story-telling and games. Ballet is the foundation for all other dance forms, and provides an excellent grounding for any other movement-based activities students may choose to explore. This class is taught by Miho Nozawa, who has spent years teaching children's ballet in the park slope area.

Intro. To Robotics In this class, students will utilize Lego Robotics kits to build and program robots. This introductory class will expose students on how to build robots around a "brick" or brain. Then through manual programming of the brick, command the robot to function and execute the commands. Another component will be computer based programming (software) using the laptop to command the robot to function as well. Legos and robots and programming! What else could you wish for?

Irish Step Dance A fun filled class where children will learn this performance dance with it's roots in traditional style Irish dance.

Join the Circus Juggling, acrobalance, feather balance, hula hoop, and clown in afterschool "Join the Circus!" program.

Circus arts teacher Tanya Solomon trained as a clown with Dell'Arte International and the NY Goofs. She has been a cast member of Bindlestiff Family Cirkus and the Coney Island Circus Sideshow, and currently performs magic for adults and kids. Tanya has been teaching kids to juggle, hula hoop, tumble, and clown around in NYC afterschool and camp programs for almost a decade. www.tanyasolomon.net

Jr. Acting Lab: Junior Acting Lab is an ensemble -based class focused on creating original theater collaboratively. Through theater games and improvisation, young actors will connect with their peers and build trust and confidence in themselves and the ensemble. Each class is an immersive drama experience that will give actors the opportunity to explore and bring to life the characters, obstacles, and settings within our theme: Superheroes!

Karate is a great way for kids to learn self-discipline and confidence, develop coordination, and increase strength and flexibility. A sensei and an assistant from AmeriKick Karate Studio will teach the class. Dragons are 5-6, Kids 7-12. Please purchase Karate uniforms at AmeriKick Studio (529 5th Avenue @ 14th Street) when your child's enrollment in class has been confirmed. The cost for the required uniform is \$45. Promotion belts to be purchased later in the year cost an additional \$10. (www.amerikick.com)

Kickball Kids love this classic schoolyard game that involves elements of soccer and baseball, providing an opportunity for fun and exercise.

Knitting Learn to knit everything from chunky scarves to delicate cabled gloves in Kate Clifford's beginning knitting class! Kate has been knitting since she was eight and teaching knitting at Argyle Yarn Shop in Windsor Terrace for two years. All students in Kate's class are eligible to receive a 10% discount at Argyle. Happy knitting!

Lacrosse In the fun class children will learn Lacrosse basics, starting with skills in the first session and moving into playing full games by the Spring session.

Magic with Liam Malanaphy This class emphasis is on cultivating a performance grounded in the wonder one feels when first seeing an amazing trick performed. The trick itself should eventually become a vehicle for sharing that feeling. In sharing magic performance with young people, one of the most fundamental things for them to understand is the enormous difference between knowing how a trick is done, and knowing how to do a trick. More than any specific tricks or talents, this class will seek to teach performance.

MIT Scratch: Video Game Design For Grades 2 & 3. In this class, children will use MIT Scratch, an easy to use, visual-based computer language to make their own interactive artwork and animations. Children will also gain experience in the basics of using a computer, and learn very basic computer programming skills. This class will be a fun, exciting way for children to explore their artistic ability while also gaining technical knowledge.

MIT Scratch: Video Game Design For Grades 4 & 5. In this class, children will learn the basics of animation and video game design using MIT Scratch, an easy to use, visual-based computer language. They will also learn the basics of creating the art necessary for the game environment.

Monolog & Scene Study Students will have the opportunity to dig deeply into the language and physical life of selected age appropriate scenes and monologues. Each scene/monologue will be grounded in a study of basic acting techniques relevant to the scene and character creation.

Music for K Kids: Rolie Polie Amusement Class Kids move, dance, shake and use their imaginations to the songs of Rolie Polie Guacamole. Frank Gallo released his first full-length album at the age of 15 and has continued to release albums with the popular children's band Rolie Polie Guacamole ever since. Frank's musical style blends acoustic rock and folk music.

Musical Theater Glee In this class we will sing and dance, working with standard musicals and other styles of music, including pop, jazz, and rock! Stephanie Wells has worked in NYC as a teaching artist with The Leadership Program and TADA! connecting with kids in every borough. She teaches at Kingsborough College and works as a musical director for NYU Reality Show in NYC, Abu Dhabi and Shanghai.

Musical Theater Glee Solo Singing In this class we will sing and dance, working with standard musicals and other styles of music, including pop, jazz, and rock- solo focus! Stephanie Wells has worked in NYC as a teaching artist with The Leadership Program and TADA! connecting with kids in every borough. She teaches at Kingsborough College and works as a musical director for NYU Reality Show in NYC, Abu Dhabi and Shanghai.

Naturalist Club For Grades 2 to 5. Children investigate and suggest topics to explore in the natural environment. Why are plants green? How is soil created? The focus is on science, experiments, exploration and fun, with art included. Please note that by enrolling your child in this class you are giving permission for your child to go on neighborhood walking trips. Grace Markman is an artist and educator who teaches nature programs for The Nature Conservancy and others. (www.gracemarkman.com)

Playing with Lines Using Drawing as a way to tell a story. Sometimes it's taken from real life... sometimes it's pure fantasy... but it's always FUN and fulfilling.

Pop Life! (after the Prince song) Taught by our beloved Ms. MaryBeth. Song and Dance..... and you don't even know how to sing or dance. We will use Just Dance videos to learn steps to current Pop songs. Don't think you can do it! You can! Love to sing but don't know the lyrics (just like Ms. Marybeth). We will also sing Karaoke and print lyrics to learn the songs on our own.

Roots & Wings We will incorporate dramatic arts/ role play, mindfulness/ yoga, mural arts and an intergenerational learning project through storytelling. Students can expect a brief mindfulness/ movement/ breathing practice to center and focus our bodies and minds then some sharing and group play. Participating in activities together to help build relationships, problem solving and create a group help students build a sense of trust, foundation and confidence. Being active and sharing also builds team. These help students develop a strong sense of self and belonging while empowering them to be a strong self and community advocate.

In Roots and Wings, we will create a vision board of what we would like to learn and how we would like to grow through the year and collaboratively create a set of expectations that we will hold for ourselves and our peers that will set us up for success in meeting our goals. That will be our group contract that we will seal with our paint dipped hand stamp.

Section 2 Scratch: Video Game Design For Grades 2- 5 who have completed a year of MIT Scratch with us.

Schoolyard Sports Mixer: Old-School Sports Fundamentals Your kids will have a blast learning sports fundamentals with Mr. Paul and Mr. Joe in this active class. Through sports such as T-Ball, Kickball and relay races, children will have a great time while getting exercise and learning to work together as a team.

Schoolyard Soccer Soccer with Coach Campos and other great coaches from Soccer Fun For Kids. Children learn and develop fundamental and advanced soccer skills in a non-competitive, fun soccer training experience. This class takes place in the big yard and will take a Winter break from the end of December through the start of March. On Mondays this class is for both 1st and second grade and on Tuesdays this class is for 1st grade. (www.soccerfunforkids.com).

Schoolyard Track For Grade 2 & 3 Only. This class will include stretching, warm-ups, sprinting and running. Designed for children of all fitness and athletic levels. PSACC Athletic Director Diane DiTonno-Gilhuley will lead this class in the 14th Street Schoolyard, Prospect Park and at the YMCA Armory. Class runs weather permitting when not in Armory. In addition, a completed Off-Site Sports Waiver is required.

Sketchbook + Making Things A class that starts with drawing about MAKING STUFF. We each have a Sketchbook that we USE in class and out in the world of inspiring ideas and images we notice. Art and ideas are all around us in a unified experience of the world & life that is a continuum like a sketchbook, like your life. We work in many techniques, many materials, using artists and thinkers as our references. We use drawing (how to), painting (how to) and making (how to) of dimensional objects (sculptural, illustrative, painted on, drawn upon,

collaged, murals) to investigate, go wilder, get deeper into the fun and intelligence of art, where visual art touches other disciplines.

Soccer In the Park Soccer with Coach Campos and other great coaches from Soccer Fun For Kids. Children learn and develop fundamental and advanced soccer skills in a non-competitive, fun soccer training experience. This class is currently scheduled to run in Prospect Park. Please bear in mind the Dismissal & Pick-ups policy, and that all classes begin and end at school. In addition, a completed Off-Site Sports Waiver is required. (www.soccerfunforkids.com). Class will meet on Tuesdays and will take a break from the end of December through the start of March.

Stop Motion Animation For Grades 3 to 5, In this class children will learn elements of animation through screenings, demos and hands-on experience working with a video camera and computer. From designing their own character to creating story concepts to animating flip books, clay, and found objects, the students will come away with an understanding of the elements that go into bringing engaging characters to life with stop motion animation. Pilar Newton is the director of a full service animation and illustration company (www.pilartoons.com).

Storybook Theater Children will be invited into the world of a new picture book each week of this course. We work to ignite the imagination while encouraging social, physical and cognitive development through theater games and improvisation in the realm of each book.

The Art of Cake Decorating In this hands-on class we will explore different ways to work with fondant, buttercream, candy melts, chocolate, tools, and techniques used by professionals of the cake decorating world. Combined with creativity and fun we will transform our treats into edible art.

Daniella Tagino (Danny), is a pastry chef currently teaching at the NYCake Academy in NYC. Her background is in fine pastry and cake decorating. She trains, leads and motivates aspiring home bakers in all aspects of this field.

Supplies for this class are generously donated by *NY Cake & Baking Supply*, located in New York City. Lisa Mansour is an award-winning expert in cake decoration, and is co-founder and co-owner of NY Cake & Baking Supply, located in New York City. <http://www.nycakeacademy.com/>

Track (For Grades 3-5) The Track Class promotes healthy eating, running and walking. Designed for children who want to develop their running skills. PSACC Athletic Director Diane DiTonno-Gilhuley will lead this class in Prospect Park and at the YMCA Armory. The number of children able to participate is limited, and is dependent on parent volunteers running each week to maintain safe adult-to-child ratios while off-site. Class runs weather permitting when not in Armory. In addition, a completed Off-Site Sports Waiver is required. * Students will not be able to register for both Wednesday and Friday track until we have confirmed there are enough spots for everyone to be placed in at least one class. For 3rd graders, please note this Friday class is more challenging and is recommended only for those who have running experience.

Unbored Games- Taught by our beloved Ms. MaryBeth, this is not your typical after school game room. Grades 3-5. In this class, we will play our favorites and try our hand in some tried and true board games like your parents used to play. Don't have a favorite, just bring your interest and we will teach you all you have to know to be Unbored with board Games such as Farkle, Othello, Taboo, Connect 4..... like a little friendly competition? We will have tournaments and leader boards so your skill can be shown off a little. Just a little :)

Vocal Jams In this class, we will explore the vocal styles of Pop, R&B, Soul and Hip-Hop. We will include both solo and ensemble singing/rap. We will also add choreography and movement to some of the material in the class. Let the groove get in! Stephanie Wells has worked in NYC as a teaching artist with The Leadership Program and TADA! connecting with kids in every borough. She teaches at Kingsborough College and works as a musical director for NYU Reality Show in NYC, Abu Dhabi and Shanghai.

Word Wizards: A Fantasy Writing Workshop (For Grades 2-3) If you enjoy books about magical powers and imaginary lands, where tree houses can travel and animals can talk, then you're a fan of fantasy fiction! This

creative writing workshop will cover the elements of fiction, including character, setting and plot. Through writing prompts and other brainstorming activities, students will create protagonists and villains, map out imaginary worlds, and outline their quests. Over the course of the workshop, students will write and illustrate their own fairy tales and fantasy stories.

Word Wizards: A Fantasy Writing Workshop (For Grades 3-5) Could you be the next J.K. Rowling or Rick Riordan? This creative writing workshop for aspiring fantasy authors will cover the elements of fiction, including character, setting and plot. Through writing prompts and other brainstorming activities, students will create protagonists and villains, map out imaginary worlds, and plot out quests. Over the course of the workshop, students will write and illustrate their own fairy tales, science fiction stories and fantasy adventures.

Wiffle Ball Clinic This class will introduce children to Wiffle Ball, the game designed to take the place of baseball, stickball and softball for boys and girls in back yards and city streets. PSACC Athletic Director Diane DiTonno-Gilhuley will lead this class in the 14th Street Schoolyard. Class runs weather permitting.

Yoga Age and developmentally appropriate yoga poses, breathing exercises, and relaxation techniques offer a child-friendly understanding of the physical and philosophical traditions of yoga. This class will incorporate lessons in creativity, self-acceptance, interpersonal skills, positive thinking, personal & environmental awareness and, most of all, fun!