

Girl Scouts Need Volunteer To Form Daisy Troop In Andover

Press release

Girl Scout troops are forming now in most towns of the Green and White Mountains Council. Andover girls in kindergarten through grade three who want to have fun and develop skills in an all-girl setting are encouraged to sign up for troop placement in the local Daisy-Brownie troop. Home-schooled girls of similar ages are welcome, too. Non-troop membership is an option for older girls through grade 12.

Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains is committed to offering Girl Scouting to every girl. Financial aid is available for families needing help with the registration fee and uniforms.

Troops are led by trained volunteers. Right now we need volunteers for a

kindergarten Daisy troop in Andover. Trainings will be offered locally in early September. Sharing Girl Scouting with your daughter is a rewarding experience, say the many parents who have become leaders.

Short-term volunteers are also needed, such as helping girls with particular badges or doing paperwork for the cookie sale. Women who remember the joys of their own Girl Scout days will enjoy sharing their skills with girls in these limited assignments.

Volunteers should fill out a volunteer application online at GirlScoutsGWM.org. For more information, contact Liz Tentarelli, the volunteer support coordinator for the Kearsarge/Sunapee area at 763-9296 or GirlScouts@KenLiz.net.

IMAGINATION INN

By Doreen Perreault
Imagination Inn Director

Summer time here at the Inn is quickly ending. Sprinklers are packed away, flip flops and wet bathing suits no longer linger on our porches. We've gobbled up the last of the watermelon, hydrated our bodies, and lathered on the last of the sunscreen.

Looking outside our windows, Mother Nature has begun coloring the beautiful leaves, dropping acorns from our trees, and reminding us what a crisp fall day feels like. It appears as though fall and back-to-school excitement are here at Imagination Inn.

the fields and the chance to move, move, move our bodies.

Terrific Tigers will spend September getting to know each other, their new friends, and their exciting classroom. Days will be filled with cooking activities, painting, play dough, and arts and crafts. Tigers will be taste-testing freshly picked apples and discovering the hidden star inside. They will be learning more about the color red and watching with anticipation as the leaves change on the trees and fall to the ground. Tigers will be singing about apples, falling leaves, and meeting new friends.

Our Preschool Pandas will be exploring their new library area, signing in each morning, and charting the changes we see in the weather this month. We'll be talking about letters, putting on our cooking hats, and whipping up some delicious apple trees. Pandas will be mixing colors and finger painting on our windows. We will be turning our classroom into our home as we use our imagination to make and create crafts and decorate our way through this wonderful



Carsyn Perkins enjoys Time Travel week at Imagination Inn. Photo: Doreen Perreault

New backpacks line our walls and shiny new sneakers are walking through our halls. Children are anxious to show us their new lunch boxes and ready for an exciting new year ahead. What makes this time of year so special? It's something about a fresh start, a new adventure, a chance to start from the beginning, an opportunity to once again see the excitement in a child's eyes when they learn something new, experience something for the first time, or see a friend after the long summer break. It's a special time of year for us all.

Our school schedule here at the Inn began on Monday, August 27. Many new, smiling faces entered our classrooms, ready for some fun adventures ahead. New cubby tags, labeled coat hooks, and birthday charts decorate our walls.

The Bouncy Bears have new furniture and many new exciting hands-on activities. The days ahead will be filled with lots of messy, squishy hands-on fun. Exploring the sensory table and walking through the indoor sandbox barefoot are first on our list.

The Marvelous Monkeys are busy as well. Our terrific two-year-olds are climbing, creating, and learning about the world around them. They are meeting new friends and excited to stretch their independent wings. Our regular stroller rides throughout the area are filled with frisky squirrels, changing leaves, and Rail Trail adventures. We love running through

fall month. We welcome our new Afterschool Adventurer teacher, Ms. Jessica Houghton. Jessica is joining our staff as Ms. Ashley begins to prepare for her next exciting adventure as a new mom. The Afterschool Adventurers will be busy exploring the campus, the rail trails, and adjusting to their new school schedule. Those children coming from kindergarten will be enjoying weekly library visits as we begin our story time chapter adventures.

The children will be snacking, eating lunch with us, and exploring their new surroundings. This year they will be building fairy houses, cooking some yummy treats, painting, creating, and getting messy! New Adventurers will be joining us after attending AE/MS as well. We are looking forward to exploring, creating, and discovering everything the great outdoors has to offer.

Here at Imagination Inn we will be hosting our annual Back-to-School Family Night on Wednesday, September 5, at 6:15 PM. Children will be guides as they escort their families through our classrooms and around the school. Children will show off their new classroom, find their coat hook and cubbies, and wander throughout the school. It's a great chance to explore the center, mingle with the staff, and chat with other families. We are looking forward to welcoming many new families – just imagine the possibilities!

School Matters!

The *Beacon* needs volunteers to help gather school news, especially news of our Andover students at MVHS! If you can help, please call 735-6099.

HELP WANTED!

Assistant teacher needed part time at East Andover Village Preschool. Requirements are 18 years old and a passion and enjoyment for working with young children. Hours are 9.5 weekly afternoon hours along with substituting in the program as needed.

Send letter of interest and resume to Elizabeth Janvrin at EAVP@tds.net or PO Box 84, East Andover, NH 03231.

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