



A group of children with Alicia Colby as they rowed out to Halcyon Island in Highland Lake. They listened for birds, insects, and other wildlife that is living on or near the island. Photo: Elizabeth Janvrin

East Andover Village Preschool

By Elizabeth Janvrin
Director, EAVP

With the approach of September, it is time to say "Goodbye" to summer. We had a fabulous first year of our Summer Camp Program. The month of August finished out with talent shows, puppet shows, treasure hunts, and a boat ride on Highland Lake to Halcyon Island. Thank you to Don and Marilyn Gould, along with your family assistants, as you let us explore wildlife and Highland Lake up close and personal.

Keep an eye out for more information on next year's Summer Camp Program; plans are already in the works!

September is also the time to say "Hello" to our new school year and to our returning and new friends. Our preschool group returned for our "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom: Welcome to Our Classroom!" Open House. During this eventful evening, the group popped coconuts to find the mystery letters, tasted and explored coconut while making a graph, and followed a recipe to make their own

delicious and healthy palm tree snack. We are very excited to start the school year and get to know all of our new friends and continue to learn and explore with those who are returning.

Our teaching team has been very busy working together to make the classroom environment fun, engaging, and hands-on. Ms. Alicia will continue to explore Environmental Science with our afternoon friends, and Ms. Carmen will continue to teach Yoga. Along with our daily activities in Literacy, Math, Creative Representation, and Science, we will also work in our outdoor learning environment as we continue tending our garden and observing our sunflower house as it grows.

We are still accepting registrations for both of our preschool programs. Call 735-5105 or e-mail us at EAVP@tds.net to visit the school or learn more about each program. Check us out on Facebook or on our new Web site at EastAndoverVillagePreschool.com to keep up-to-date on the happenings at EAVP!



Andover Recreation Soccer

By Nicole Donovan
Andover Recreation Soccer, Director

The first day of school has arrived and so has the new soccer season for sixty-two 1st through 6th graders. September 4th marks the official start, and practices and games will be played at Blackwater Park through October 18th.

Heading up the first and second grade coed group again this year is Bruce Clough. Practice time will be Saturday mornings from 9am-10am. At this level, the focus is on basic ball handling skills, including dribbling and passing. There are sure to be a few scrimmages among all the kids.

At the third and fourth grade level, soccer skills are further refined and basic strategies are introduced to create offensive and defensive plays. This

year, the league has tacked on three extra games for this age group, adding to their game time experience. I am coaching the boys' team and Emily Furtkamp will be coaching the girls' team.

When you get to the fifth and sixth grade level, the competition increases even more. Longer kicks, improved control, game strategy, and working as a team make for a faster, more skilled game. Goalkeeping is important, and learning to stay on-side is a challenge. This season, Claudio Marcus is coaching the girls' team and Brian Kellogg is coaching the boys' team.

Games are played on Tuesday, Thursday, and a few Friday nights, and all day on Saturdays. Check out www.mvsl.org to see the schedules and come out and cheer on the kids!



Andover Boy Scouts Hold First Meeting Of The Year

By Doug Bent
Andover Boy Scouts

A meeting of the Andover Boy Scouts will be held at the Annex (formerly called the Hamp House) adjacent to AE/MS on Wednesday, September 5, from 6 to 8 PM. Any boy who has completed the fifth grade or is

eleven years old is eligible to sign up.

Meeting times are Wednesdays from 6 to 8 PM. Boys who like the outdoors, camping, and hiking and would like to learn new skills such as first aid, wilderness survival, and emergency preparedness are welcome to join.



Andover After School Program

By Diane Adams
AASP Director

Welcome back, Andover After School Program and Andover Five Alive Program kids! Josh, Renee, Tatjana, and I are all excited and ready for a new year.

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer. We want to welcome our new after-school kids as well as our new Five-Alive's. We also are happy to see all of our old friends, as well as many new ones.

The upstairs has changed a bit, as well as the third-grade room. We have new and exciting kindergarten role-play kits, activities, songs, and movement games. We of course still have our craft day, library day, cooking day, and movie day with Josh.

Thanks to all who gave me a hand to get things ready for a new year.

We still have Five Alive openings for the morning and afternoon sessions. Please call with questions: Diane at 735-6566.





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IS YOUR LITTLE ONE GOING TO KINDERGARTEN NEXT YEAR?

The Andover Five Alive Program provides **day care services for your kindergartener** for the other half of the day when they're not in AE/MS kindergarten.

- We are conveniently located in the AE/MS Annex, right next to AE/MS
- Uninterrupted adult supervision between AE/MS and AFAP programs
- Safe learning environment
- Arts & crafts daily
- Socialization with children in their class
- Extracurricular activities with AE/MS

When your child is enrolled in our Five Alive program, you may use us on every school day, or just the days you select. AFAP is open on many days when AE/MS isn't, including:

- Teacher workshop days
- Occasional snow days, delays, and holidays
- February and April vacations

When your child is enrolled in AFAP, you have priority for the Andover After School Program (which is generally filled to capacity and is open until 6 PM every day after school).

Stop in any time for a visit.
You may also call with any questions: 735-6566