

PLANET PARKER

2015 SUMMER PROGRAMS

created and hosted by
ROBERT C. PARKER SCHOOL

Register Now...
Weeks fill up fast!





PLANET PARKER

offers a series of one-week
programs for children
ages 4 to 14.

Choose from an array of
options in adventure and play—
imagination, sports,
science and creative arts.

SUMMER 2015 SEASON

11 Weeks • June 15–August 28

(No camp on July 3)

**Build a custom summer
experience from our diverse,
fun program weeks.**

**Choose as many (or as few)
weeks as you like.**

*See registration form at the back
of this booklet.*

Robert C. Parker School's skilled teachers and education partners develop and lead these outstanding programs in our art studio, science lab, gym, fields, playgrounds and throughout our 77 acres of meadows, woods and creeks in North Greenbush.

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Robert C. Parker School is an independent school for boys and girls in pre-school through 8th grade, 10 minutes from downtown Albany. Parker students are engaged in thoughtful, challenging, inquiry-based learning experiences. Teachers inspire curiosity and a passion to achieve as students develop confidence and cultivate purposeful action.

OUR 2015 PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Parker Planeteers

Blast off into a summer of fun!

FOR TOILET-TRAINED CHILDREN ENTERING PRE-K 4 AND KINDERGARTEN
AND RETURNING PARKER 3-YEAR-OLDS

Weeks 1–11

June 15–August 28

(No camp on July 3)

Half Days Available – Inquire

Planeteers journey through imagination to places around the world and beyond! We'll start our summer with a fuzzy friend and a passport, then off we go each week to a new destination...wherever our imaginations take us! Artwork, songs and activities all reflect each week's theme. Each week includes a fun cooking activity, special music and movement sessions with our visiting certified music teacher...even homemade healthy, gourmet popsicles! Unstructured, well-supervised outdoor time exploring Parker's grounds as well as water play are featured each day.

Week 1: How Do We Get There?

Week 2: Dinosaur World

Week 3: Into the Forest

Week 4: Deep Blue Sea

Week 5: The Farm

Week 6: Magical Lands

Week 7: Outer Space

Week 8: The Desert

Week 9: The Arctic

Week 10: The Future

Week 11: The Circus

*Parker Planeteers–
We use our imaginations
to make summertime
a magical time!*



Monster Week*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1-3 AND 4-8



Week 1: June 15–19

Join us for some monstrous fun! Unleash your inner wild thing with awesome crafts and activities. We'll make crazy monster masks, puppets and costumes, and prowl around camp in a monster parade. Build creatures out of objects we find in nature, recycled materials, even ink blots, and then animate them. It'll be a wild time! Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.



SeanO's Theatricks Camp Presents:

Jungle Book KIDS!

TWO-WEEK SESSION WITH ONE-WEEK OPTION AVAILABLE
FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 3–9

Weeks 1 and 2: June 15–26

The jungle is jumpin' with jazz in this exciting Disney classic! Join Mowgli, Baloo, King Louie and the gang as they swing their way through madcap adventures and thwart the ferocious tiger, Shere Khan. Specially adapted from the beloved film, this musical includes all your favorite tunes, like "*The Bare Necessities*," and "*I Wan'na Be Like You*." With colorful characters and that toe-tapping jungle rhythm. Parents and friends are invited to the performance on Friday afternoon, June 26.



Underwater Micro-mania!*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1-3 AND 4-8

Week 2: June 22-26

Who lurks beneath the surface? Crazy creatures of all shapes and sizes! Muddy-up your boots and we'll explore Parker's pond and streams for insects, amphibians, reptiles and more. Be amazed when we put seemingly simple things under the microscope and discover another world! We'll also build and race boats and take a day trip to Grafton Lakes State Park! Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.

Parker Chopped!

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 3-8

Week 2: June 22-26

From culinary basics like scrambling an egg to artisan skills like making pizza from scratch, this tasty week will be full of fun in our outdoor kitchen! Work with your team in our very own "Chopped" style competition as you create delectable dishes with your assigned mystery ingredients! We'll dedicate a day to a cake decorating workshop and throw a big pizza party to finish up the week. You'll even take home your own apron!

Energy Transformers*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–8

Week 3: June 29–July 2 (No camp on July 3)

This week will be buzzing as we tinker with circuitry, gadgets of all sorts and even build our own sustainably powered contraption—to keep! Be an energy superhero as we explore alternative energy sources like solar, wind and water. We'll launch a rocket high into the atmosphere and harness the power of hydrogen! Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.



Enchanted Forest

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–5

Week 4: July 6–10

Nature lovers! Come and discover the wonders of the wilderness at Planet Parker. Romp in the streams, meander in the meadows, and hit the trails with our nature expert. Each day will feature fun hands-on activities—from making bird feeders and terrariums, to creating living forest artwork, to building a campfire. There's no limit to the discoveries we can make!



LEGO Robotics

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 3–8

Week 4: July 6–10

Week 10: August 17–21

Dream, design, build and program a robot of your own creation! During this high-voltage week you will make your robot walk, dance, grab, “speak,” perform tasks and follow your every command. With the help of our LEGO Education certified instructor, you’ll design a blueprint, then make your robot a reality through imagination and skill with LEGOs in this challenging and exciting week.

Medieval Maker Faire*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–8

Week 5: July 13–17

Huzzah! Methinks this week of Planet Parker ’tis most splendid! Come explore what it was like to live during Medieval times—from clothes, food and music to dwellings and artwork. We will erect castles with movable drawbridges. There will be knights with suits of armor, ferocious and friendly dragons, powerful queens, princesses, princes, kings, and the even townspeople they rule over. Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.

Survival!*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 3–9

Week 5: July 13–17

Week 7: July 27–31

The wild is calling! Campers will develop real-life survival skills: shelter building, firecraft, land navigation, tracking and foraging. Days will include hiking, friendly competitions and survival techniques simulating the most extreme climates on earth! An optional overnight (for campers entering grades 4 and up) will expand nighttime senses and confidence.



LEGO Robotics, Jr.

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–4

Week 6: July 20–24

Give the people what they want! Many families asked for robotics for our younger campers and we are so happy to oblige! Dream, design, build and program a robot of your own creation and even create a special course for your robot to navigate. During this high-voltage week tailored especially for our mini-engineers, you will make your robot walk, dance, grab, “speak,” perform tasks and follow your every command. With the help of our LEGO Education certified instructor, you can make your robot a reality through imagination and skill with LEGOs in this exciting week.



Parker MUD Games*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 3–8

Week 6: July 20–24

It's all about the fun this week as teams of adventurers battle for points in the first-ever Parker Mud Games. Tackle wet, wild and messy obstacle courses, go for a wacky costume mud run relay, compete in mud-pit tug-o-war and play a giant game of sloppy twister! We'll also play extreme games of Capture-the-Chicken and Doctor, Doctor! We'll be anything but clean in this week of down-and-dirty fun.



The Great Outdoors

FOR CAMPERs ENTERING GRADES 1–5

Week 7: July 27–31

Come explore the wonders of nature at Parker! Hunt for critters in our stream, roll logs in the forest to unearth creepy-crawlies and seek out camouflaged animals in the field. Campers will play games to learn how animals, humans and our environment are all connected. Discover exciting new ways to love being outside.

Animation Creations

FOR CAMPERs ENTERING GRADES 3–8

Week 7: July 27–31

Experiment with stop-motion animation as we turn characters designed from clay, wire and found objects into moving stories. Artists will create characters, storylines and even sounds for their animation videos that might take place in the forest, on the playground, or in the sandbox! Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.

Mad Scientists*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–8

Week 8: August 3–7

From exploding bottles of soda to “magical potions” and an egg drop challenge, this week will put you in control of concocting all types of “mad” science. We will explore kitchen chemistry, out-of-this-world physics phenomena and other extreme science experiments. We’ll make things fly, foam, freeze and more! Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.



Magical Creatures

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–5

Week 8: August 3–7

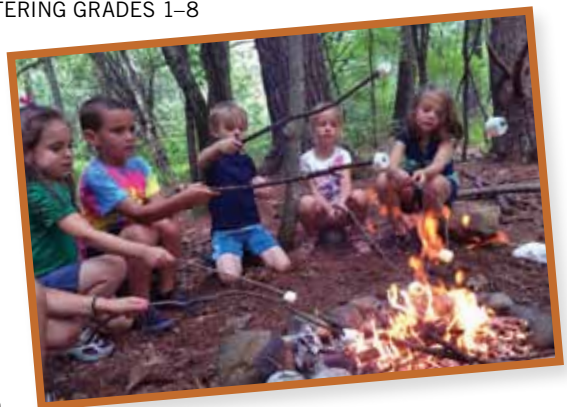
Create mystical creatures such as fairies, mermaids, wizards, dragons, unicorns and many more. We’ll then build whimsical and unique abodes for these magical creatures, both miniature and mighty. Let your imagination soar when you write and perform your very own play featuring your magical creatures in their habitats.

Fire & Ice*

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–8

Week 9: August 10–14

Opposites attract! Explore two extremes in nature as we experiment with volcanoes and lava, the wonders of dry ice, and giant ice sculptures. We will brave the cold with custom-made icy treats and feel the heat when we cook over a campfire in the forest. Of course, the science behind these surprises will be revealed with some investigation by YOU, our resident scientist. Campers will also spend time playing sports and games and enjoying the natural world at Parker.





Exotic Animal Art

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–5

Week 9: August 10–14

From the depths of the ocean to the tallest mountains and the driest deserts, we will bring out your animal instincts as we make exotic animal art. We will draw, sculpt, make masks and costumes, and then bring your animals to life with an amazing animal party!



Flying Wild

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 1–5

Week 10: August 17–21

Bird is the word in this week focused on our flying feathered friends! We'll start off the week assigning you your very own pair of binoculars and then explore birds from every angle. We'll take morning bird walks in the field, forest and around Parker's science pond. Learn native bird calls, build and bust open a bird pinata with your friends, and travel with us to the Adirondack Animal Land to see some interesting birds and other four-legged friends and go on a safari ride!

Around the World of Music

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING GRADES 2–6

Week 11: August 24–28

Grab your passport and join us for a worldwide musical adventure! In the morning explore, learn and perform songs and dances from all over the globe! From German marionettes and African singing games, to Latin American salsa, this will be a music-packed week. In the afternoons we will turn our attention to our sensei as we are initiated into the “Recorder Karate” dojo where students will learn songs on the recorder and earn a “belt” for each song mastered. The week will culminate with a performance for family members to attend on Friday, August 28.

Stashes & Caches

FOR CAMPERS ENTERING
GRADES 1–5

Week 11: August 24–28

Join the fun in this week of scavenger hunts, obstacle courses and light geocaching. Along with your fellow teammates, you will create and solve all types of hide-and-seek scenarios—from stashing away your own specially painted magic rocks, to burying a real geocache in the Parker forest. We’ll play games likes Sardines, Sneaks and Camouflage, and use both low- and high-tech means to unearth secret treasures!



**These weeks include low-ropes challenges*

Our team building expert, Darcy, specializes in ice breakers, group field games and our low-ropes course. You will be faced with a variety of physical and mental obstacles that are designed to build teamwork, leadership skills, problem solving and confidence.

CAMPER INFORMATION/EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM

Parker Summer 2015: This form must be completed with all registrations.

To reserve a place for your child, complete this form and mail it with a check for the total amount payable to: **Robert C. Parker School**. Your cancelled check is your confirmation. Before the program week starts you will receive a letter with an activities and supplies list. Planet Parker may photograph or video children for use in promotional materials.

Please copy this registration form for additional campers. Spaces will be filled in the order that we receive registrations and full payment. Refunds cannot be given for cancellations made less than two weeks before the starting date of any program week. If we have to cancel a program week, a full refund will be given.

Camper's name _____

☐ Boy ☐ Girl Age _____ Birth date _____ Grade entering fall '15 _____

Circle T-shirt size: Youth S M L Adult S M L

Current school _____

Parent's name _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

Cell phone _____

Email _____

☐ I would like to receive news and information from Parker.

Home address _____

City/town _____ Zip _____

Emergency contact other than parent _____

Relationship _____ Phone during camp hours _____

Camper's physician _____ Phone _____

Camper's dentist _____ Phone _____

Insurance carrier _____ Group number _____ Agent# _____

Allergies/food restrictions _____

List any significant health restrictions or conditions _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____

PLANET PARKER 2015
SUMMER REGISTRATION FORM

CHOICES: Circle your program selections for children entering the listed grades Name _____

WEEKLY TOTAL

Week 1 June 15-19	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Monster Week Grades 1-3 \$200	Monster Week Grades 4-8 \$200	Jungle Book KIDS Grades 3-9 \$300	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 2 June 22-26	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Underwater Micro-mania! Grades 1-8 \$225	Parker Chopped! Grades 3-8 \$225	Jungle Book KIDS Grades 3-9 \$300	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 3 June 29-July 2 <i>(No camp July 3)</i>	Planetees Pre-K-K \$170	Energy Transformers Grades 1-3 \$200	Energy Transformers Grades 4-8 \$200		Before Camp After Camp \$20 \$60	\$ _____
Week 4 July 6-10	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Enchanted Forest Grades 1-5 \$200	LEGO Robotics Grades 3-8 \$250		Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 5 July 13-17	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Medieval Maker Faire Grades 1-3 \$200	Medieval Maker Faire Grades 4-8 \$200	Survival! Grades 3-9 \$225	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 6 July 20-24	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	LEGO Robotics, Jr. Grades 1-4 \$225	Parker MUD Games Grades 3-8 \$200		Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 7 July 27-31	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	The Great Outdoors Grades 1-5 \$200	Animation Creations Grades 3-8 \$225	Survival! Grades 3-9 \$225	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 8 August 3-7	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Mad Scientists Grades 1-3 \$200	Mad Scientists Grades 4-8 \$200	Magical Creatures Grades 1-5 \$200	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 9 Aug 10-14	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Fire & Ice Grades 1-3 \$200	Fire & Ice Grades 4-8 \$200	Exotic Animal Art Grades 1-5 \$200	Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 10 Aug 17-21	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Flying Wild Grades 1-5 \$200	LEGO Robotics Grades 3-8 \$250		Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____
Week 11 Aug 24-28	Planetees Pre-K-K \$200	Around the World of Music Grades 2-6 \$200	Stashes & Caches Grades 1-5 \$200		Before Camp After Camp \$25 \$75	\$ _____

Take a 10% discount on registrations of 5 weeks or more per family. TOTAL \$ _____



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Schedule: All programs: 9 AM–3:30 PM
Parker Planeteers 1/2-day option: 9 AM–NOON

Extended Care: Care is available from 8–9 AM and 3:30–5:45 PM daily. Before Care and After Care are designed to provide a warm, nurturing and fun environment for young children. Pre-registration is required.

Lunch & Snacks: Children bring a bag lunch and morning snack each day. After Care healthy snacks will be provided.

Registration Deadline – May 22, 2015

Send registration form and a check for the total amount payable to: Robert C. Parker School. Your cancelled check is your confirmation. You will receive a letter from your counselors two weeks prior to your child's first week at Parker.

10% Discount: For all registrations of 5 weeks or more per family

Cancellation Policy: All programs are subject to a minimum and maximum enrollment. In the event of cancellation, Robert C. Parker School will notify campers in advance and will refund the entire program week fee. ***Refunds cannot be given for cancellations received less than 14 days before the program week's start date.***

Directions: I-90 Exit 8 to Route 43 East. Follow Route 43 for 2.2 miles past Route 4 to the school's driveway on the left.

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