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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Middle School offers after school clubs on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays beginning on **Tuesday, October 9th, 2018** unless otherwise noted. Listed below are the clubs that are currently in the program. **Students should sign-up on the first day the club meets.**

Three activity buses will be available at the Middle School to accommodate the students who participate in clubs. Buses will depart the Middle School at approximately 3:50 p.m. Since these are not the normal bus routes, please make sure your child knows his/her bus stop and bus number so they know which late bus is correct. A bus schedule is attached for your information and is also posted by the Main Office for students. If you have any questions, please contact the Assistant Principal, at 914-295-5620. Buses are **ONLY** available to students who are eligible to ride the bus during the day!

Important: Any student who is not registered to participate in an after-school club will be dismissed at the usual time and may not remain on school grounds.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Goldenberg
Assistant Principal

Clubs/Activities 2018-2019

<u>Club</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Grade/Day/Time</u>
<p>Audio-Visual Club Mr. Melk Room: Auditorium hmelk@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Students will learn the sound, lighting and projection system in the auditorium in order to help with the school musical. The audio-visual club will begin just before rehearsals.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Tuesdays 2:45-3:45 Students should see Mr. Melk to indicate their interest in the Audio Visual Club.</p>
<p>Book Club 5/6 Ms. Joseph Ms. Barney Room: 216L ejoseph@ardsleyschools.org jbarney@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>This club is for the strong, avid reader who finds pure joy in a book, and is looking for another place, besides English class and home, to share his/her thoughts, insights, and experiences around a shared text. We will read titles from various subgenres in both fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Our first meeting will be used to choose books together that the group will read. Each student will be given a journal in order to draw and/or record thoughts around the books we share. Come with a favorite book suggestion!</p> <p>**Each student will be required to bring a \$50.00 check, made out to Ardsley Middle School, to the first meeting to cover the cost of books and the journal used during the year. If any money remains, it will be returned to each student at the end of the year.</p>	<p>Grades 5-6 Every other Thursday, beginning on 10/11 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Chamber Orchestra Mrs. Lee-Chong Room: 104 sleechong@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>The Chamber Orchestra is a select orchestra that requires an audition. We will perform in both the winter and spring concerts.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Thursdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Comic Book Club Mr. Gondar Room 301 lgondar@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Each week students will engage in activities focused on learning different aspects of creating comics; story and character development, illustration and page design, and Photoshop processing and coloring. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the craft and flex their creativity.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Thursdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Debate Club Ms. Joseph Ms. Barney Room: 216L ejoseph@ardsleyschools.org jbarney@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Come and learn how to use your natural talent of arguing and challenging authority. By joining the Debate Club you will learn a variety of skills that will help you be successful in all aspects of your life. You will be able to choose topics that are important and relevant to you.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Every other Thursday, beginning on 11/1 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Jazz Band Mrs. DeFrenza Room: Band Room ldefrenza@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>This activity is offered to students who wish to learn to play basic styles of Jazz. The Jazz Band performs at the school winter and spring concerts. Traditional Jazz band instruments are used in this ensemble. These instruments include: saxophones, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, piano and drum set.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Tuesdays after school 2:45-3:45</p>

<p>Junior Chef Ms. Vlad Room: 401 svlad@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Come join Vlad's creative kitchen as a junior chef. We will be learning about all types of foods, how to prepare them, and of course, you will eat your own creations. We will prepare a variety of recipes ranging from simple to gourmet, American to Global, appetizers to desserts. We will also participate in in-class cooking competitions. There is a \$50 non-refundable lab fee.</p> <p>SIGN UP w/PAYMENT: 10/1 JR. Chef I starts 10/18 JR. Chef II starts 10/25</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Jr. Chef I is for individuals who HAVE NOT participated in the Junior Chef club in the past. It will meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. Jr. Chef II is for students who HAVE previously participated in Jr. Chef I. This group will meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. (see below)</p> <p>Each club is strictly limited to 16 students. Sign up will begin on October 1 and is first come first serve. Sign up and payment happen together and are in person only. You cannot sign up without payment and you cannot sign up in advance. Please make check payable to Ardsley Middle School.</p>
<p>Kids Who Love to Write Club Nicole Pirraglia Room: 207 npirraglia@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>As the name suggests, this club is geared for students who love to write, but can't always find the time to do so. Our community of writers will focus on genres of their choosing while drafting, revising, and drafting some more. All that is needed is a writer's notebook, pencil, and desire to write!</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Every other Thursday, beginning on 10/25, plus a brief meeting on 10/11</p>
<p>LeStrade Literary Magazine Ms. Borthwick Ms. Townsend Room: Mac lab mborthwick@ardsleyschool.org mtownsend@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>The AMS LeStrade, an on-line arts publication, showcases the work of our literary and artistic student body.</p> <p>Once the publication is on-line, students have a celebratory gathering with friends and family (usually on Awards Night).</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Tuesdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Library Time Ms. D'Aliso Room: LMC jdaliso@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>The after-school library time will enable students to stay after to work on reports and other assignments or study for tests.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Tuesdays/Thursdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Madrigal Choir Mr. Squillante Room: LGI fsquillante@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>https://www.ardsleyschools.org/Page/4540</p> <p>If you love to sing and want to perform in the winter and spring concerts, this is the club for you! No audition necessary.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Thursdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p>Musical Productions Mr./Ms. Grady Room: Auditorium sgrady@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Auditions will be held at the end of October. The musical will take place Thursday, January 31st and Friday, February 1st. Students are responsible for their own transportation home. Schedule TBD.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Dates to be determined Informational Meeting on Thursday, October 11th</p>

<p><i>The Outcast</i> Mrs. DeFrenza Room: Band Room ldefrenza@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>This activity is offered to students who wish to learn to play basic styles of Jazz but play an instrument not in the typical Jazz band format. The Outcast performs at the winter and spring concerts. These instruments include: flute, clarinet, Oboe, piano, and drum set</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Fridays after school 2:45-3:45</p>
<p><i>No Place For Hate</i> (Formerly ALL) Ms. May and Ms. Vlad Room: 401 mmay@ardsleyschools.org svlad@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Students work together to promote kindness and acceptance throughout our school community. Students generate activities and projects creating a positive and mindful learning environment.</p> <p>*This club welcomes parent participants as well! Be on the lookout for an email blast.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 The 1st Friday of each month and then various other dates selected based on activities. Some lunch time meetings will occur.</p>
<p><i>Science Olympiad</i> Mr. Beames Ms. Joseph Mr. Ponterio Mr. Ryan Room: TBD abeams@ardsleyschools.org ejoseph@ardsleyschools.org dponterio@ardsleyschools.org sryan@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>The team will participate in the regional competition in early March 2019. This competition consists of 23 different events covering topics in science, technology and applied mathematics.</p>	<p>Grades 7-8 Tuesdays/Thursdays Before school for technology/building events Tuesdays/Thursdays After school for science events</p> <p>*We will be having an organizational meeting on Thursday, October 11th, at 2:45pm in Mr. Beames' room</p>
<p><i>Student Council</i> Ms. Barney Room: 207 jbarney@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Homeroom representatives will help conduct and oversee the community events held throughout the year.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Fridays 2:45-3:45 October 12, 26, November 2, 16; December 7; January 4, 11; February 8; March 1, 22; April 12, 26; May 17; June 7</p>
<p><i>Troubadours Vocal Group</i> Mr. Squillante Room: LGI fsquillante@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>https://www.ardsleyschools.org/Page/4541</p> <p>The vocal ensemble is a select chorus that requires an audition. Auditions will take place in late September early October.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 Tuesdays 2:45-3:45</p>
<p><i>Yearbook</i> Ms. Vlad Room: 401 svlad@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>We will be taking and choosing photos, arranging pictures, writing blurbs and preparing the yearbook for the end of school year distribution.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8 The 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month from 2:45-3:45, starting October 9</p>
<p><i>Youth to Youth (Y2Y)</i> Ms. Mastrogiacomo Room: SAS Office amastrogiacomo@ardsleyschools.org</p>	<p>Y2Y is dedicated to helping students make positive, healthy decisions and promotes an alcohol and drug free lifestyle among youth. Students will plan activities for the various awareness months/week such as Red Ribbon Week, Great American Smokeout, Alcohol Awareness month, etc.</p>	<p>Grades 7th & 8th Fridays during lunch</p>

