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Dear 2017/2018 Kindergarten Families,

Hingham Public Schools has provided the Kids in Action Before and After School program to Hingham families since 1986. With a focus on Social and Emotional development while supporting academic skills, the program is designed with a structured, yet flexible curriculum that encourages independent thinking and self-help skills. The Kids In Action program provides outside play, snack, arts and crafts, organized games, and child directed activities. Themes incorporate board games, dramatic play, science and math and children's literature into the daily routine. The program offers children abundant opportunities to develop socialization skills and to make lasting friendships.

The Kindergarten program is located at the South Elementary School and offers care for Before School, After School or a combined schedule. Transportation from the Before School programs at East and South, and to the After School program at South is provided by Hingham Schools.

Children are enrolled on a first come first serve basis. A waiting list is used if capacity is reached for the classroom. KIA follows a 1to10 child to teacher ratio for the Kindergarten classrooms.

KIA tuition is approved by the Hingham Public School Committee. A registration event for new families in grades K-2nd will be held in late April for those wish to enroll for the 2017/2018 School year. Details of the event will be published in the Hingham Journal, the KIA Facebook page, and PTO newsletters at all HPS Elementary Schools. Updated registration forms will be available at the event or on the website starting in early April. (hinghamschools.org; click on the kids in action tab)

Kids In Action follows the Hingham Public Schools calendar. The program is open on early release days at no additional cost. All tuition is collected through FACTS management. Parents can pay the annual tuition or pay in 10 increments from August - May.

We look forward to becoming acquainted with you and your child. Please feel free to contact me at any time with additional questions or concerns.

The components of the KIA Kindergarten before and after school program include

- Before School- 7:00-8:45am @ South for South and PRS Students, & @ East for East and Foster students
- After School - 2:30-6:00pm@South Elementary - 2, 3 or 5 days
- (Combined Before & After Schedule) - 2, 3 or 5 days After School with option to add Before School

Sincerely,

Kathleen Jordan

Director