

After School EFL 'Specials' Programmes

Wednesdays - Ages 3 to 6 years

At Kspace we offer a special full afternoon of EFL based study and fun, for children who cannot attend our regular international school.

Names & Age Groups

These programmes run on Wednesdays and are called:

- Butterfly Specials, ages 3 to 4 years
- Big Bug Specials, ages 4 to 5 years
- Super Bugs Specials, ages 5 to 6 years

We also have:

'Elementary Class' for 6 to 10 year olds Runs on Wednesdays and Saturdays, roughly between the times of 3.00pm to 7.00pm.

Please ask us for our special handout for the Elementary Class if this is the programme you are interested in.

About

These classes have been running successfully for many years. Originally designed for our international school alums, the programme was a way for children to return to us so that we can help them maintain/improve their English and continue to experience an international school environment. It has

developed into an excellent ESL option in the afternoon that covers a lot of information.

Who can attend?

We invite all students ages 3 to 10 years old whose families have a serious interest in ESL/EFL studies for their children.

It is particularly beneficial for children who are returnees, have some knowledge of English, or have English language support at home.

If your child is a complete English language beginner this programme is too advanced. We can design a programme for them – please talk to us.

Numbers are limited in each age group and the programme is not generally advertised.

Content

The children learn English through a range of classes that make up a mini-kindergarten day. If they join us early enough they can enjoy PE/Gym time and spend lunch with our international school students, which is a great way for them to be around free-flowing English conversation. In good weather we are able to set up rooftop activities, obstacle courses, team games and even water play!

The students have special Phonics and ESL lessons where they are divided into focus groups. They are taught using a range of games, fun activities, puppets, role-play, desk-based work, worksheets and methods to increase their vocabulary, comprehension and some literacy skills. We follow the Jolly Phonics system and materials as well as other colourful and interesting books and learning support materials.

When the regular international school finishes, the Specials programme children are then channeled into a range of after-school/extracurricular options that are also open to our enrolled international school students and visiting children from other schools. The children continue to hear and use English in every class, regardless of the topic. This gives them a great chance of exposure to English and the variety keeps them interested and motivated to return!

Times

The programme runs from 12.00noon until 5.00pm.

All children have different schedules and we allow starting times at 12.00noon, 1.00pm or 2.00pm.

Fees differ for each start time and parents must choose an option as this is not a 'drop-in' programme. The first periods are within our regular international school day and may be spent following the same schedule as our international school children.

From 3.00pm (2.00pm for Butterfly Specials) to 5.00pm is spent in After School classes, including some classes with children from our international school (and visiting students).

Note - Super Bugs Specials

Only 12.00noon and 1.00pm is spent with our international schoolers for the Butterfly group.

EXAMPLE SCHEDULE (Younger Groups)

- 12.00noon to 12.30pm EFL Gym-Time
- 12.30pm to 1.00pm Specials enjoy lunchtime. Meals can be ordered from our caterer of sent in packed lunch (according to Food Policy)

- 1.00pm to 1.45pm Jolly Music session (this is ESL/Phonics based)
- 1.45pm to 2.00pm EFL Roof play or structured table top activities, puzzles or games
- 2.00pm to 5.00pm After School classes of choice.
 Children join regular Kspace International students and visiting students for a wonderful range of extracurricular options.

<u>5.00pm to 7.00pm</u> - If the children wish to extend to 6.00pm or 7.00pm they will be with their school friends who stay on, but we cannot anticipate how many stay. This period is not curriculum guided but the children are communicated with in English.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

As a part of our community our families enjoy calendar highlights like all-school picnics, invitations to music recitals, parent-teacher social events and other fun dates. Specials families are invited to volunteer and participate in all charity events if they wish, and the children are included in any fun event that may fall on Wednesday afternoon in the regular school calendar.

Media

A colourful weekly newsletter is produced for the After-School period of the children's time with us. This is loaded onto our VIP Members' Site which Specials' parents are given access to. The newsletter does not include the period spent with our international school children. We take occasional group photos of the groups which may also be loaded onto the Members' Site for parents to download and some may be used in the

*Kspace Yearbook.

*This is available for a fee and we cannot guarantee each child is featured unless they are fully enrolled international school students.

Fees and Extras

- A one-time Membership Fee of ¥20,000 (also covers Kspace, Saturday School and Seasonal Programme entrance for one child)
 *50% discount in Membership Fee is applied for each sibling
- Children must have at least one Class Colour Kokomo T-Shirt @ 2,1600 yen each. This must be worn at all times in each lesson and must be visible (not under a jacket or shirt etc). Sweatshirts are available for winter periods. Please request a T-shirt Order Form.

Notes:

- All fees must be paid prior to attendance
- There are no make-ups or refunds, without exception
- All prices are subject to 8% Consumption Tax
- *During busy terms parents may be asked to pay for the entire term fee in advance in order that select places go to children who are committed to regular attendance. Please enquire for details.

Wednesday Afternoon Specials

Materials Fee @ ¥5,000 charged for each new term period. There are 3 terms annually.

12noon to 5pm 1pm to 5pm 2pm to 5pm

Butterfly Specials ¥11,250 ¥9,600 ¥8,000

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Big Bug Specials	¥11,250	¥9,600	¥8,000
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Extended Care

5.00pm to 6.00pm @1,500yen

6.00pm to 7.00pm @1,500yen

Meals

Children who join us for meal times must make special arrangements for their lunch. All children need an afternoon snack and a bottle of water.

Full meal details and your 'things to bring' list will be sent to you upon enrollment.