



**Gesher  
After School  
Fall 2022  
Chugim**

**Registration Open**

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Dear Parents,

We are very excited to bring back a “Chugim” program this year. Chugim, “games” in Hebrew, are enrichment options in addition to our regular Gesher (“bridge”) program, including several new classes. If you have any questions about these programs or want to help volunteer, or even lead an additional class, please email at [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org).

Ms. Karen Wagshul will again lead the Gesher charge with Ms. Jacobs returning for the morning. Once again this year, our Shinshinim, Zohar and Nadav, will be helping on various days and also have a hand in chugim. For Gesher questions email: [Gesher@wornickjds.org](mailto:Gesher@wornickjds.org).

As always, we look forward to an engaging time with your students and seeing you soon!

**How to Register for Chugim:**

Please register for chugim at:

<https://tinyurl.com/Wornick-chugim>

also conveniently listed in the *Wornick Weekly*. Payment will conveniently be billed via FACTS.

**Key Things to Know:**

There are no chugim on holidays, minimum days, or during Parent/Teacher Conferences. Class days are listed per class. No refunds will be given after the first class, unless the course is canceled. If a particular class does not meet the minimum number of students it will be canceled and you will be notified. Time spent in Gesher before chugim is provided free as a service to our families. Time spent in Gesher after chugim is billed at the standard drop in rate, unless your child is contracted to be in Gesher that day.

**Keep in mind:**

If your child is already contracted for Gesher, you may only alter your contract once per year. There are no in/out privileges once a monthly rate is established. The monthly rate for Gesher care, which includes time for conferences, may still be beneficial for your family. Please make sure to examine your family schedules and estimated pick up times. If you are billed at the Drop-In Gesher rate, you will be billed at the non-contract rate for the time spent in Gesher **after** the chug is finished for the day.

**Pickup:**

You may use the token given to you to enter the gate and pick up your student(s) from Gesher or a chug/afterschool activity. You will be able to find TK-5 students at the end of an activity at the blue picnic tables. If after the majority of the students attending are picked up, remaining students will be cared for in Gesher. You may then pick them up either on the play structure or in the tent on the Shalom Field adjacent to the building. Please be sure to sign out your student on the portal or they may be logged in for the full afternoon until 6pm.

Middle School students may be dismissed to depart campus after their activity. Please make sure to discuss a plan with them regarding pick up times and locations.

# Mock Trial



**What:** In this class, students will learn about the United States system of justice by conducting a mock criminal trial. Students will learn how to make persuasive arguments, separating the key facts and evidence from the less persuasive details. Throughout the semester course, students will have the opportunity to portray the different roles present in a criminal trial: prosecutor, defense counsel, as well as witnesses for the prosecution and defense. They will make opening statements and closing arguments, and will learn how to make legal objections as they examine and cross-examine key witnesses. The class will examine the strengths and weaknesses of our criminal justice system, exploring the roles and responsibilities of judges and jurors, and how our society makes decisions about innocence, guilt and punishment. Taught by Sarah Blake, Neal Rubin, and Annie O'Donnell.

Neal Rubin, an alumni parent and board member, has been an Assistant US Attorney in San Francisco, representing the federal government in legal trials, and was later VP of Global Litigation for Cisco Systems. Sarah Blake was a Deputy District Attorney for more than 15 years prosecuting many different types of crime in San Mateo County. Annie O'Donnell, worked in civil litigation for 9 years, and wrote for a national legal publication for 4 years, prior to joining Wornick.

Minimum Students: 12      Maximum: 18

**Ages:** Middle School, Grades 6-8

**When:** Wednesdays from 3:45-5 pm

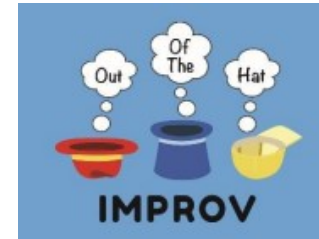
**Dates:** 8/31, 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30 and 12/7

**Where:** Room 214

**Cost:** \$130

**Contact:** Annie O'Donnell, [aodonnell@wornickjds.org](mailto:aodonnell@wornickjds.org)

# Out of the Hat Improv



**What:** Out of the Hat Improv sparks creativity, confidence and connection. Join our chug to participate in playful activities based on improvisational drama. These easy games allow you to think-on-your-feet and tap into your imagination to create scenes and stories. No drama experience needed – just an openness to collaborate with others - and a willingness to be silly. Improvisation strengthens empathy, speaking skills, and teamwork. Come put on a hat in a relaxed, safe group to practice the “power of play.”

Mandy Silber Levitt, M.A., Ed, facilitator and former Wornick parent, is a consultant who focuses on facilitating organizational learning. Mandy has directed children's theater and produced educational software. Mandy loves seeing kids develop their creativity and their ability to connect with others.

Minimum students: 7      Maximum: 14

**Ages:** 6th-7th graders

**When:** Tuesdays from 3:45-5:15pm

**Dates:** 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, and 12/6

**Where:** Classroom TBD

**Cost:** \$330, materials included

**Contact:** [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org)

# Israeli Cooking with Our New Shinshin Nadav

***B'Tayavon!***

**What:** Come join us on the ISRAELI cooking class with our new Israeli SHINSHIN Nadav. Together we will explore the Israeli cuisine, by cooking and baking some of the most popular and delicious Israeli dishes such as Falafel, Ptitim and so many more. We invite you child to a joyful, tasty Israeli experience!

Minimum Students: 5      Maximum Students: 10

**Ages:** K—4th Grade

**When:** Thursdays from 3:45-4:45pm

**Dates:** 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 11/3, 11/10, 12/1, 12/8, and 12/15

**Where:** Ulam Gadol

**Cost:** \$330, materials included

**Contact:** [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org)

# Wornick Robotics Team



**What:** Come join the Wornick Robotics Team! Ms. Brouwer, Wornick's Director of Technology and Innovation will be working with the students to build and grow the year-round Robotics Team with the goal of competing—and winning! - with other local schools' robotics teams. In the spring, interested 4th grade students will be invited to join the 2023-2024 team.

Minimum Students: 5      Maximum Students: 8

**Ages:** 5th-8th Grades

**When:** Thursdays from 3:30-5 pm

**Dates:** 9/1, 9/8, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 12/1, 12/8, and 12/15. Sign ups for 2023 will be open in December.

**Where:** Peleh Lab

**Cost:** \$330, including materials. Competition fees not included.

**Contact:** Corine Brouwer, [cbrouwer@wornickjds.org](mailto:cbrouwer@wornickjds.org)

## “Sew Fab” a Time With Ms. Ginger Slonaker



**What:** Your student will have a spectacular time growing their creative muscles and learning the many arts of sewing. This class will not be just with fabric and thread, but they will learn the art of papermaking, creating paper mache works, and sewing multi-media fiber arts with our very own award-winning art teacher Ginger Slonaker.

Minimum Students: 5      Maximum Students: 10

**Ages:** 2nd-5th Grades

**When:** Mondays from 3:45-4:45pm

**Dates:** 8/29, 9/12, 9/19, 10/3, 10/24, 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, and 12/12

**Where:** Art Room

**Cost:** \$330 including materials

**Contact:** [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org)

## Introductory Chess with Anya Benbarak



**What:** Chess Club is back! Anya Benbarak, Wornick parent will lead this group of young “gamers” in learning the art of chess.

Minimum Students: 6      Maximum Students: 10

**Ages:** TK/Kindergarten – 2nd Grade

**When:** Fridays, 3:15-4:15pm

**Dates:** 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 12/2 and 12/9

**Where:** Classroom TBD

**Cost:** \$120

**Contact:** [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org)



# Who's Got the Ball?

## With Morah Hadar & Shinshinit Zohar



**What:** Your young athlete will have an opportunity to have fun with Morah Hadar and our new Shinshinit Zohar playing ball—of all kinds! They will work together to build ball skills through games—enhancing knowledge, strength, and endurance. Morah Hadar is one of Wornick's Physical Education teacher and Zohar joins us this year from Israel and has spent time coaching youth basketball.

Minimum Students: 8      Maximum Students: 20

**Ages:** TK/Kindergarten – 1st Grade

**When:** Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45pm

**Dates:** 8/30, 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, and 12/6

**Where:** Koret Field

**Cost:** \$200

**Contact:** info@wornickjds.org

# Come Play Ukelele with

## Ms. Andrea Duran!



**What:** In this fun class your budding musician will have an introduction to the basics of the ukelele, learn a few chords, and play some songs— all the while learning skills and basic musicianship from Andrea Duran, Wornick's joyful music teacher. Students may bring their own instruments, however, Wornick can provide them for class time while on campus.

Minimum Students: 5      Maximum Students: 12

**Ages:** 1st-4th Grades

**When:** Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45pm

**Dates:** 8/31, 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30 and 12/7

**Where:** Classroom tbd

**Cost:** \$260

**Contact:** Andrea Duran, aduran@wornickjds.org



**What:** CodeMonkey is an award-winning online platform that teaches children real coding languages like CoffeeScript and Python. Children will learn block-based and text-based coding through an engaging game-like environment. Parents are also able to follow their student's progress through the games. David Ben Ari, Wornick parent, will be leading this program.

Minimum Students: 8      Maximum Students: 16

**Ages:** 3rd—5th Grade

**When:** Fridays, 3:15-4:30pm

**Dates:** 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 12/2 and 12/9

**Where:** 221-222

**Cost:** This program is being subsidized to give students an opportunity to explore programming.

**Contact:** [info@wornickjds.org](mailto:info@wornickjds.org)



**What:** Girls Who Code is a nonprofit organization that aims to support and increase the number of women in computer science by equipping young women with the necessary computing skills to pursue 21st-century opportunities. Their mission is to close the gender gap in technology and to change the image of what a programmer looks like and does. This program is led by Wornick parent Michelle Goldstein, along with Dana Izenson, Wornick's Advancement Manager and long-time web designer. New students welcome and previous students will be able to pick up where they finished last year.

Minimum Students: 8      Maximum Students: 16

**Ages:** Girls in 3rd-5th Grades

**When:** Wednesdays, 3:45-5:00pm

**Dates:** 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30, 12/7, and 12/14.

**Where:** 221-222

**Cost:** This program is nationally subsidized for girls across the country.

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