Summer Camps For Kids & Teens

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With School coming to a close in weeks, below you will find some spectacular summer camps for your kids, ranging from basketball programs to music camps, Mandarin sessions, pre-schools, and even a debate camp and a place where kids can make stop-motion animation with LEGOs:

Music / Performing Arts

1. iStage Academy:
The Musical Theatre Summer Academy is a 10-days summer day camp for students age 5-18. You will work with our team of Musical Theatre specialists to explore different challenges of the genre. Students will work on acting, singing, dancing and the integration of the disciplines. Students will be working in two groups, depending on their age. No audition is required for acceptance into this program. All classes will be taught in English.

2. Shanghai City Ballet:
There are 3 divisions: Pre School (from age 3 to 6); Children (from age 6 to 12); Teen (from age 12 to 16). Each division has its carefully balanced curriculum with the dance styles that are the most appropriate for each age group. In addition to Ballet, students have the possibility to study one or several other dance styles and wellness classes. 

* Hip-Hop; Tap; Capoeira
* Flamenco; Jazz; Chinese Classical Dance
* Yoga; Rythmic Gymnastics
Sports

1. **Shanghai Sport United Summer Camp**

   China Sports United is organizing camps for basketball, swimming, soccer, tennis, and a multisport camp where kids can try it all. The organization is Dutch, with classes taught in English and Mandarin. All coaches are certified to teach and are first aid licensed. Options are super flexible here -- you can sign up for one day, four days, or five days for most of the sports. For details and registration, email info@shanghaisportsunited.com or [check their website](mailto:info@shanghaisportsunited.com).

2. **Active Kidz Shanghai Camps**

   Active Kidz Shanghai (AKS) also has camps for swimming, tennis, gymnastics, soccer, or just general "Fun Camps." Certified coaches work to promote creativity and good sportsmanship on top of building physical skills. These camps run all day around Puxi and Pudong. Register or see schedules and prices [on their site](http://www.activekidzshanghai.com).

3. **Iconx Summer Skateboard Camp (This camp may no longer be in session Summer 2019, but please follow-up for confirmation)**

   ICONX Indoor has ten 1-week summer skateboard camps from June to August for kids aged 5-15, with each camp running from Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The program has been crafted to focus on skateboard skill-building and competition, academic enrichment and support, leadership and character development, health and nutrition, and exposure to different parks throughout the city.
Academics

1. **The Genius Workshop**
   This camp was offered back in 2015, but maybe offered again. Please use the contact below to follow-up. Engineering and film–making camps for kids who like LEGO. Kids can choose from programs like "Ninja Quest" and "Space Travel", which all use the colored blocks as educational tools. One of these camps even lets kids create their own stop-motion animation film. They've got these at three locations for kids ages 3-14, in half or full day camps. [Check here](#) or email info@g-workshop.com.cn for more details.

2. **That's Mandarin Summer Camp**
   This Mandarin school has been running camps for 10 years in Shanghai. Mandarin classes are just a small part of the camp -- kids get field trips, arts and crafts, and other cultural activities, too. They also have sleepaway camps in Shanghai and [Beijing](#). Camps run for two or four weeks. Find full schedules and pricing [on their site](#).

3. **Community Center Shanghai Aerospace Robotics Camp**
   The Aerospace Robotics Camp is a combination of visual lectures and hands-on building activities to keep students engaged and curious about various science and engineering disciplines while having a fun experience. Robotics provides an ideal platform for introducing STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) topics related to real world science applications. The camp’s goals are to foster the importance of teamwork, collaboration, critical thinking, and exploration of the scientific method. This camp is offered through the [Community Center Shanghai](#).
Early Learning

1. Jump Start Summer Camp
Concordia International School Shanghai is excited to introduce our first Jump Start Summer Camp! This special summer education course is designed for students who will be entering Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall 2019. Jump Start Summer Camp is a unique opportunity for young learners to get ready for the new school year by engaging in English language development activities within a fun and educational summer camp setting. Children in the camp will be provided time to work together and play together while developing their use of the English language.

2. LUC Preschool and Daycare Summer Camp
The Little Urban Center (LUC) by Kerry Parkside in Pudong has seven weeks of camp for kids two to six years old. Each week's theme focuses on a different continent. Kids learn English while they dance, play sports and games, and make arts and crafts.

This summer, they have developed a condensed phonics course for children 4-7 years to effectively improve the reading and writing skills of the students over a short period of time. In addition, if you would like a fun and safe camp option and experience Chinese traditional culture, they will be offering a Chinese culture camp for children aged 2-6 years old.

3. My Little Sunshine Summer Camp
This daycare and preschool by Zhongshan Park accepts campers as young as 18 months. They have half and full day camps for 10 weeks, with themes like arts & crafts, music, sports, science and other activities. Check here for pricing and registration details.

4. Little World Summer Camp
This Xuhui day care is for 15 months and up. The day is full of activities like arts and crafts, games, cooking, dancing and singing. There are Chinese and English teachers, but reading hours also include French.

5. **Fortune Kindergarten:**
Fortune Kindergarten holds a summer camp for six weeks during July and August. Information regarding summer camp will be posted on the news and events board in May. So stay tuned and check out their website for more details.

6. **Julia Gabriel Center for Learning:**
Julia Gabriel usually offers summer classes for 6 weeks from mid-July to mid-August for the very young ones. There are 4 different programs available broken down by age.
   - 6-18 months
   - 18-36 months
   - 2-4 years old

7. **Sunrise Montessori:**
Summer camp is open to all students aged 3 - 6 years old. It is an optional program for the months of July and August. Their program includes water fun activity, outdoor trips, classroom parties, music & movement, inter-active stories, basic cooking, arts & crafts, painting, dance & role playing activities, math and phonics for reading readiness.

8. **Tiny Tots International:**
From June to July, Tiny Tots is usually offers a 5-week summer school. Pre-schoolers and kindergarteners usually have the opportunity to participate in activities like swimming, arts and crafts, gymnastics, and more. Last year, the five-week session costed 15,000RMB.

9. **2017 Smart Shanghai List of Summer Camps:**
Once this list is updated for 2018, I will post the most up-to-date information.
Miscellaneous

1. **Stepping Stones Summer Program**
This is for everyone, and is less of a camp than a volunteer program. Stepping Stones links volunteers with schools and community centers in and around Shanghai to teach migrant children English. This made the list because they encourage high school and university students to do some good in between semesters. They provide volunteers with orientation, training, and curriculum, so you're not just diving in to a room of 30 kids singing the ABCs. Details and registration [here](#).

2. **Craft’d: Sewing & Craft Camp**
If you are staying in Shanghai for the long Summer holidays then this maybe the perfect opportunity for your kids to get creative! Craft’d holiday camps offer kids a wide variety of creative workshops. In the morning they will be using a sewing machine to create a variety of projects that we are sure they will love. The afternoons are more varied: activities in the past have included soap making, lipstick making, acrylic and watercolor painting, memo boards, yarn crafts and so much more! Lunch and snacks are included and a menu is sent to parents each week. Children are welcome to bring their own packed lunch if they would prefer.

3. **Super Summer Camps List with Family City Weekend**
This list has not been updated for 2018 as of yet, but once it is, I will update the site. In my experience, 90% of the camps will still operate and will start registrations at the end of April and mid-May, so if you see an interesting camp, give them a call or browse their website for more information.