



# MY WHOLE EARTH ACADEMY

January – June 2026

## Parent Participation Prep Class – Connecting. Developing. Testing.

We warmly invite you and your Toddler to begin their school journey together. In this gentle parent-participation class, you will stay with your child as they explore classroom routines, practice listening to their Teacher, and engage peacefully with peers.

Our Teachers will coach *you* on how to activate your child's natural "learning-by-mimicry," guiding their early social behaviors with kindness and trust. Together, you'll enjoy simple crafts, snack time, and circle lessons — all designed to model and encourage skills like waiting, listening, asking for help, and cleaning up with pride.

As your child grows more comfortable, you'll practice small steps toward independence through brief "practiced absences" (2–5 minutes), learning to gently transfer trust and authority from Parent to Teacher. When your child is ready to engage without your presence, we'll be ready with our Jr. Preschool Program — and you'll be ready for a well-earned break and a quiet moment for yourself.

### Program Goals suitable for families with children 1.5 - 2.5 years old:

- ★ To support Parents as their child's first (and most important) Teacher
- ★ To guide early development of healthy social skills rooted in kindness and trust
- ★ To practice foundational school skills such as waiting, listening, asking a Teacher for help, pride in cleaning up, and taking care with materials
- ★ To prepare both Parent and Child for a positive, confident transition to Preschool

### ★ Monthly Tuition Fees

	2 days	3 days	5 days
<b>Winter Semester</b> JAN 5 - MAR 26	\$280	\$420	\$598
<b>Spring Semester</b> MAR 30 - JUN 26	\$308	\$460	\$650



**2-hour class, available Monday - Friday, 9:30am – 11:30am**  
**For Children 18 - 30 months old**



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## Junior Preschool - Confident. Exploring. Trusting.

Our licensed Junior Preschool Program supports your child's growing sense of autonomy and independence. Building on the Prep Class experience, we continue the *Transfer of Trust and Authority* from Parent to Teacher by providing parents with seating at the side of the classroom or in our lobby during class time if needed and a shorter class time of only 2 hours.

Your child may return to you for reassurance at any time, while practicing "on-my-own" in class participation and developing their confidence to *go to school*. Teachers are on hand to lovingly support your child's progress as their sense of safety grows through progressively longer parental trips away from the classroom.

In this program, English vocabulary and academic concepts are explored in greater depth through both play and structured activities. Children are introduced to cognitive skills such as timekeeping, planning, and problem-solving, alongside social opportunities to strengthen self-control and build life-skills. There are many in class opportunities for math, art, tech, and science exploration, while early numeracy and literacy games and songs enrich the learning environment.

### Program Goals suitable for families with children 2.5 - 3 years old:

- ★ To encourage healthy separation from caregivers for most classroom activities
- ★ To support each child's emerging autonomy at their own pace
- ★ To expand vocabulary for getting help, improving social interactions, and expressing feelings
- ★ To practice foundational school skills such as waiting, listening, pride in cleaning up, and taking care with materials
- ★ To build confidence, independence, and readiness for Preschool

### ★ Monthly

Tuition Fees	2 days	3 days	5 days
<b>Winter Semester</b> JAN 5 - MAR 26	\$242	\$360	\$510
<b>Spring Semester</b> MAR 30 - JUN 26	\$266	\$408	\$556

**2-hour class, available Monday - Friday, 9am - 11am**

**For Children 2.5 - 3 years old**



These prices include a per class reduction based on My Whole Earth Academy's participation in the Provincial Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative (BCCCFRI)



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## Preschool - Independent. Curious. Academically & Socially Engaged

Let the questions begin! Our Multidisciplinary Preschool Program is the natural next step after Prep Class and Jr. Preschool, where children are ready to participate fully and independently in the classroom. The *Transfer of Trust and Authority* from Parent to Teacher is complete, allowing children to focus deeply, build confidence, and experience the joy of “going to school.” And yes, you may stay in our Parent seating area if you’re new to us or need time with separation.

Our thoughtfully designed curriculum integrates Montessori, Reggio, Waldorf, and the BC Early Learning Framework, supporting a wide range of learning styles while nurturing strong academic habits, self-regulation, and intrinsic motivation. Children explore thematic learning stations using high-quality materials that encourage inquiry, persistence, and purposeful engagement.

Teachers support both academic and social growth through compassionate communication and inclusive language, guiding children to express feelings, negotiate social challenges, set boundaries, and collaborate effectively. These skills form the foundation for lifelong learning and mindful leadership, help build friendships, and develop emotional self-regulation.

Academically, we move beyond STEM with our holistic STREAMING curriculum. Weekly experiences include **Science, Technology, Reading & Writing, Engineering, Art, Math, Music, Individual Work, Nature Studies, and Group Projects** that strengthen critical thinking, problem-solving, and early reasoning skills. Monthly thematic studies draw from Cultural Anthropology and Natural Sciences to foster global awareness and compassion. Field trips are chosen to complement the classroom lessons.

Because learning at My Whole Earth is emergent, cumulative, and project-based, we strongly encourage attendance for the greatest number of days your child can attend in good health. Multi-day projects build upon previous lessons, reinforcing understanding through meaningful repetition - Mastery grows with continuity.

### Program Goals suitable for families with children 3 - 4 years old:

- ★ To encourage curiosity, independence, and academic depth - without sacrificing childhood joy
- ★ To inspire empathy, mindfulness, and confidence while out in the world and at school
- ★ To prepare your child for successful entry into Junior Kindergarten

#### ★ Monthly

Tuition Fees	2 days	3 days	5 days
Winter Semester JAN 5 - MAR 26	\$380	\$572	\$808
Spring Semester MAR 30 - JUN 26	\$420	\$630	\$882

3-hour class, available Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 12:00am

For Children 3 - 4 years old



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## Junior Kindergarten - Reasoning. Expressive. Prepared for the Future

Time to Level Up! Our Multidisciplinary Junior Kindergarten Program is the final step in our early learning pathway — designed to fully prepare your child for a successful transition into Kindergarten while continuing to support their social, emotional, and physical development.

Building on the strong academic and independence skills developed in Preschool, this “next level” program invites children to deepen their thinking, refine their focus, and confidently seek answers to meaningful questions about the world around them. Our curriculum integrates Montessori, Reggio, Waldorf, and the BC Early Learning Framework, supporting diverse learning styles while nurturing self-sufficiency, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning.

Our bright, engaging classroom is organized into thematic learning stations with high-quality materials that invite sustained inquiry and purposeful work. With Life on Earth as a central focus of exploration, children engage in real science experiments, Reggio-inspired nature projects, and hands-on Montessori materials to expand vocabulary, strengthen reasoning skills, and connect learning to their lived experiences. Monthly thematic studies draw from Cultural Anthropology and Natural Sciences to cultivate global awareness and a sustainable, scientifically grounded worldview. Field trips are chosen to illustrate the classroom learning and deepen the understanding gained.

Academically, we move beyond STEM with our holistic STREAMING curriculum, ensuring that every intelligence has the opportunity to develop and shine. Weekly experiences include **Science, Technology, Reading & Writing, Engineering, Art, Math, Music, Individual Work, Nature Studies, and Group Projects**, strengthening creativity, critical thinking, planning, and problem-solving.

Because learning at My Whole Earth is emergent, cumulative, and project-based, we strongly recommend enrolling for the highest number of days your child can attend in good health. Concepts are explored through multi-day individual and group projects that build on previous learning — reinforcing mastery, confidence, and academic readiness.

### Program Goals suitable for families with children 3 - 4 years old:

- ★ To encourage your child to feel excited by learning and developing skills
- ★ To nurture your child's confidence and self-image as a kind member of society
- ★ To prepare your child socially, emotionally, mentally, and physically for Kindergarten

#### ★ Monthly

Tuition Fees	2 days	3 days	5 days
Winter Semester JAN 5 - MAR 26	\$448	\$672	\$958
Spring Semester MAR 30 - JUN 26	\$485	\$728	\$1,038

**3.5-hour class, available Monday - Friday, 12:30 - 4:00pm**  
**For children 4 - 5 years old**



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## Highly Interested Learners (HIL) – Logical. Philosophical. Experimental.

Calling all lovers of knowledge! Do you have a child with an unquenchable thirst for answers? A child who loves to learn? This is a special program just for them! An Enriched Extension of our Jr Kindergarten Program, designed as a pull-out program for students who will benefit from it.

The HIL is designed for children who are thriving in our Jr Kindergarten program and are ready to go deeper, think more critically, and take greater ownership of their learning. This enriched stream builds directly on the academic, social, and independence skills your child already possesses, offering increased challenge, complexity, and student agency.

In HIL, children engage in longer-term, more demanding projects that invite deeper inquiry and sustained focus. Weekly learning themes are co-created with the students, encouraging them to ask meaningful questions, propose ideas, and help shape the direction of their learning — an important step toward advanced academic programs.

Children work both independently and in collaborative teams, applying higher-level reasoning, planning, and problem-solving skills. This structure supports the development of executive functioning, leadership, and collaboration, while maintaining the joy and curiosity that define early learning.

Learning extends beyond the classroom through intentional Field Trips that deepen and contextualize ongoing projects. Visits to libraries, nature settings, and educational centers allow children to apply classroom learning in real-world environments while strengthening social connection and teamwork.

The HIL program continues to nurture socio-emotional growth alongside academic challenges, supporting children to articulate ideas clearly, including peers in discussion and project work, and navigate group dynamics with confidence and kindness. This balance of rigor and relational learning makes HIL an excellent preparatory pathway for IB programs and academically focused private schools.

Student learning in HIL is experiential, cumulative, and intellectually demanding, so we strongly recommend enrollment for at least 4 days a week. Multi-day projects intentionally build on prior learning, allowing children to revisit, refine, and deepen understanding — because repetition works.

HIL Junior Kindergarten is for children who are ready to stretch — and for families who want an enriched, forward-looking extension of Jr Kindergarten.

**This is an extension program with variable material fees.**

**Please speak with Miss Jen if you are interested in learning more about this program. Must be registered in JK to join this program.**





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## Lunch Break Chill Session - Eat. Laugh. Rest.

Are you rushing between a class with us and another class somewhere else? Want your child to have time for a healthy lunch but traffic means eating on the go? We got you!

Our fun Lunch break add-on provides families with fewer transitions when moving between programs by making space for your child to have lunch with us.

Children explore stories with their teacher, talk with their friends, or learn a little more about that interesting thing we talked about last class while eating at a comfortable, healthy pace.

All you do is send their lunch along with their snack for the day and we handle the rest.

### ★ Monthly

Tuition Fees	2 days	3 days	4 days
<b>Winter Semester</b> JAN 5 - MAR 26	\$70	\$106	\$126
<b>Spring Semester</b> MAR 30 - JUN 26	\$76	\$115	\$138



**30 minutes, available Monday – Thursday, 12:00pm – 12:30pm**

**For Children 3 - 5 years old**

“Children construct meaning as they engage with materials, other children and adults, the environment, the community, and the world.

Objects, space, place, rhythms, rituals, gestures, sound, children and adults – these are all interconnected and participate in the interactions and inquiries that emerge in early care and learning spaces.

As children engage with the world they delve into inquiries, generate new ideas, solve problems, and build theories of people, places, and materials. These engagements can be vibrant, exhilarating and noisy, or they can be quiet, focused, and solitary.

Providing time, space, and materials rich with possibilities for experimenting, imagining, and transforming allows children to create and explore in diverse ways based on their interests.”

BC Early Learning Framework 2019



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## My Whole Earth Kids - Out of School Care for Curious, Growing Minds

My Whole Earth Kids is a licensed Out of School Care program for children in Kindergarten through Grade 3, rooted in the educational philosophy of My Whole Earth Academy in Kerrisdale, Vancouver. Designed to support modern families, our program offers calm, dependable, and enriching care before and after school, on Pro-D days, and during school breaks.

We honour childhood as a time of curiosity, connection, and growing independence, and we view Planet Earth as our primary classroom and teacher. Guided by the BC Early Learning Framework, our approach respects children as capable, thoughtful learners who thrive when given time, space, and meaningful opportunities to explore the world around them.

### A Grounded Start and a Gentle Landing

Morning care provides a soft, predictable start to the school day, with quiet activities that help children settle emotionally and prepare for learning. Start the week right with Monday Mangia! Staff and students work together to make a fun breakfast buffet to start the week on a positive note! The rest of the week you may send your child with a simple breakfast, and we'll make sure they have space to eat!

After school, staff bring a quick snack to the school for children to refuel before unwinding at the playground. Afterwards, children walk with staff to the safe, unhurried environment of the Academy where they can decompress, refuel with a second, hardier snack, and choose how to spend the remainder of their time — resting, studying, creating, or exploring.

The children are not rushed. Choice, rhythm, and responsiveness guide the afternoon flow.

### Learning That Feels Relevant

At My Whole Earth Kids, learning is exploratory, hands-on, and rooted in real-world curiosity. If it's something that interests your child, we want to learn all about it with them! Activities are offered as invitations rather than requirements, allowing children to engage deeply, follow their interests, and build confidence through authentic exploration.

Invitations to explore may include:

- ★ Earth sciences and geology
- ★ Creative arts and jewellery making
- ★ Cooking and food exploration
- ★ Plant care and nature studies
- ★ Lego construction and design challenges
- ★ Age-appropriate Technology and STEM experiences

### Relationship-Based Care

Our educators are caring, qualified professionals who prioritize physical and emotional safety, inclusion and respect. They act as guides to support children with self-regulation, communication skills, and compassionate peer relationships. We know children learn best when they feel safe, seen, and valued.



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## Active Bodies, Open Air, Real Play

Daily outdoor time is vital for children to maintain a healthy balance between stationary learning and active living. Your children will enjoy at least 45 minutes of active play on their school grounds to support their overall health and well-being. We recognize that children benefit from open-ended, self-directed time at the end of their school day to exercise their individuality.

Staff bring materials for engaging with at the playground. From magnifying glasses and specimen bottles to chalk and tennis balls, your child will have a wide range of fun things to do! Morning children have an opportunity to request materials for after school.

In class, screen use is intentionally limited. A basket is provided on the director's desk for devices to be monitored in case you call. With pediatric research indicating alarming neurological impairment from extended device use, we strive to keep your child engaged in real play, with real friends, in real settings.

## Community-Connected Support

To further support your busy family, we also offer supervised transitions for registered children to and from nearby enrichment programs such as Kumon, Vancouver Martial Arts Academy, Gracie Barra Jujitsu, and Fox and Unicorn Arts, helping your child experience a rich after-school routine.

## Pro-D Days & School Break Programs

On Pro-D days and during School Breaks, My Whole Earth Kids offers full-day care that is engaging, enriching, and thoughtfully paced — providing families with dependable coverage while giving children a meaningful and enjoyable day.

Pro D days are immersive experiences, allowing children to explore in ways not possible at school. Children embark on full-day field trips to various locations around the Lower Mainland with cohesive activities such as scavenger hunts and research projects that are designed to elevate their learning.

School Break weeks are intentionally unhurried, allowing learning to unfold naturally while honoring children's individual rhythms and interests. Field Trips and activities are adapted to the group, supporting both independent inquiry and cooperative play. School Break programs provide children with a sense of continuity — a place where familiar relationships, trusted routines, and meaningful learning continue even when school is out.

## A Place to Belong

My Whole Earth Kids is more than childcare. It is a community space where children are trusted, curiosity is nurtured, and learning feels meaningful and alive. Grounded in the values of My Whole Earth Academy, our program offers a 'head, heart, and hands' centered Out of School Care experience for growing children and the families who love them.

## Hours of Operation

Regular School Days	7:30am – 9am & 3pm – 7pm
Early Dismissal Days	7:30am – 9am & 2pm – 6pm
Pro D Days	8am – 6pm
School Breaks	8am – 6pm

## Food Provided

After School Snacks & Monday Mangia Feast
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