

# Camp White Meadow

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## The Director's Chair:

Hello again everybody! Week 6, despite the heat, went very well at The Meadow. Our campers, as usual, came to camp with smiles on and ready to beat the heat in any way possible. All of the groups spent ample time in the pool, at the beach, on the slip and slide, in the sprinkler, and at the clubhouse watching movies. We finished the week off on Friday with "Western White Meadow Downs Day" during which all groups tie-dyed, we had a whole-camp scavenger hunt, and the annual White Meadow Downs "horse" competition took place. What a great way to end the week.

All throughout the week a Gator Ball tournament also took place during clubs, and judging by the camper and counselor response, it appears that it will be an annual tradition.

The Teen Travel groups were busy as usual this week, with the Sprinkle Bubbles going to see Harry Potter at IMAX and going on a water hike at Hacklebarney State Park, while the Silver Monkeys had a "Guitar Hero" filled overnight at the clubhouse, saw the Jackals play at Montclair State, and finished the week strong by rafting down the Delaware River.

Lastly, just a reminder to send your children in their bathing suits if possible and with plenty of water or bottles to re-fill with water in these last two weeks!

COLOR GAMES 2007 IS COMING SOON!!!!

Until Next Week,  
-Jonathan Roman

## Splishin' and Splashin':

This week we worked on the arms for breaststroke. All of the kids are showing great improvement. We finished working on the breaststroke with a perfection relay and other contests like holding your breath the longest and treading water. Next week we will begin working on the sidestroke.

-Kat & Teigan



## Boating & Nature:

Week six began in exciting fashion. The group, "We've Dropped Our Socks", caught three turtles on Monday. We caught one of the turtles three times and named him Crawlo. To date, our total turtle catch of 26 surpassed last years turtle catch of 25. Mysterious water creatures named "Braineacks" were found around the cove and shoreline.

On the hiking front, the first and second grade took a short walk behind the A-field. There is a hike to Mt. Hope Park on Thursday and Friday.

-Bruce

## Creative Corner:

This week was stuffed with such creativity that the arts and crafts room is bursting at the seams!!! Earlier in the week the Golden Dragons painted their clay sculptures of zoo animals that they designed last week. The Wiggly Worms created their favorite activity at camp with clay and then the next day painted it. The Wiggly Worms also were able to paint little birdhouses to hang up outside their own homes. On Tuesday the Fast Fig Newtons learned how they could save their money by painting ceramic piggy banks. The Golden Dragons were able to even create a project to use at home, mouse shaped mouse pads for their computers!

Friday's theme day was "Western Day" so towards the end of the week the groups were able to create something that was related to the "Old West". The Golden Dragons created wonderful Native American Head Dresses, while the Fast Fig Newtons pitched their own miniature tee-pees. The upper camp spent time "pounding leather". Campers were given leather pieces that they were then able to hammer designs into. Friday brought tie-dye to Camp. Every camper did a fantastic job in cooperating and having a blast!!!

-Paige & Allison

## From the Fields:

Sports at "The Meadow" have come a long way since the beginning of the summer,

and I'm really impressed. Monday and Tuesday every group showed me how well they can play their two favorite sports, gatorball & basketball. Wednesday we changed things up a little and played beach wiffelball and volleyball, and some "BBK". Of course, everyone's been closely following the big gatorball tournament and were anxiously waiting to find out who will take the gold. And by the way, COLOR GAMES will "break" on...

-Ali

#### **Wiggly Worms:**

How low can you go when you play the limbo rock game? The hokey pokey, the YMCA and the Macarena dance has been on our summer hit list. We have been dancing and enjoying these tunes. Our favorite game is to play freeze tag. We became beach bums with the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders, who call themselves "We've Dropped Our Socks". We enjoyed cheering their softball game on the sand. We had fun boating, digging in the sand and looking for turtles! Backwards Day was a lot of fun and White Meadow Downs Day was a blast. It was so cool to see the counselors as horses and the campers as jockeys. We had a great time betting on what horse and jockey team would come in first and win. There was even a treat for the campers whose team came in first. Art was awesome at camp this week as we made birdhouses and tie dying was the best- we can't wait until we can wear our shirts. Until next week, stay cool and happy...

-Barb, Molly, Sarah, Rachel & Liz

#### **Golden Dragons:**

What an eventful week! It was very hot out but we kept cool. The pool was so refreshing; everyone made sure to cool off. On Wednesday we took a break from the outdoors and went to the Clubhouse and watched a movie. We also enjoyed swimming, boating and playing in the sand at the beach. Friday should be fun also! We can't wait to tie-dye our shirts and are looking forward to the "Western Downs" events! Enjoy the weekend everyone.

-The Dragons

#### **Fast Fig Newtons:**

What a great week. Due to the extreme heat, many "creatures" that we don't normally see came out!! Frogs were hopping, Zachery, Billy and Shane all catching interesting insects such as spider, dragonflies and even a gigantic grasshopper! Thanks to Erica, we spent one of the HOT mornings watching "The Wild" in the air-conditioned Clubhouse. A lot of time was spent in the water either at the pool or the beach. We did manage to play gatorball, basketball, and boxball and during breaks do the slip and slide. All around you can tell that the "heat wave" didn't keep us down! Friday is Western Day... Ask your camper what colors they chose to tie-dye.

Stay Cool-

-Miss. Nancy, Jackie, Gabe, Dillon, Steve & Jess

#### **We've Dropped Our Socks:**



The games are getting hot as we try to stay cool here at "The Meadow". After the trips of last week, we are back to a warm schedule. Campers are really finding out their favorite sports. As a group boxball seems to be the favorite. Tuesday was an excellent day, as our group received its reward from the star chart. Wednesday was crazy since "hello" meant "goodbye" as we ended with our opening during backwards day. Thursday and Friday brought us a hike and a movie at the clubhouse and White Meadow Downs Day. Plenty of activities to keep us busy. We can't wait for the Color Games Break to happen!

-Matt and Friends

#### **Sprinkle Bubbles:**

Our week started off on the right foot with a trip to Beach Three where we visited with Bruce. We also cooperated well with the Fast Fig Newtons. Our afternoon was filled with our regular dose of athletic events including a high-scoring soccer game with a 7-4 final result!

Tuesday's trip extravaganza included a gigantic IMAX movie, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" and some shopping in the mall. The

mall was extra-large and we discovered that some of us are smart consumers; other are quick spenders and still more were just window shoppers. It was a very enjoyable day and much cooler than the heat outside.

Thursday's trip for a hike and for wading in the Black River was a blast! Again, we escaped the high temperatures in the cool forest and we "chilled" in the water for both exercise and relaxation. Some campers caught fish and other living creatures. Following our awesome hike, we stopped at Rita's for a special snack, which surprised many campers. Surprises can be fun and that reminds me that Color Games are arriving soon! We'll be ready, but first we'll have to wait until the true "break" of Color Games occurs.

-James, Patrick & Caity

#### **Silver Monkeys:**

We had an action packed evening Monday at the Clubhouse overnight playing frantic: guitar hero. Then after resting up on Tuesday, we cheered the NJ Jackals to victory against Atlantic City on Wednesday. Thursday we had great weather for our wild trip down the Delaware River. We wrapped up the week with Western Day and White Meadow Downs. We wish the best of luck in the upcoming school year to those campers who are leaving us this week and hope you enjoy the remainder of your summer. We will miss you all! To everyone else, prepare for a wonderful week 7!

-TT Staff



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