



Summer Stuff

Letter from the Director:

Dear Summer Stuff Families:

I can't believe the summer only has two weeks remaining! This week I had a great time watching the campers enjoy the water-themed activities. It was especially funny when we soaked the counselors during a game of "Dunk the Counselor" during soccer this week.

A tradition at Summer Stuff is our Totally Weird Week. Each year we have a crazy week, and each day has it's own theme. IT

always seems to be capped with a Halloween in July day where campers are encouraged to dress up.

On another note, if you know of any families that might be interested in our program, feel free to give us their contact information. We will send out a postcard with our winter reminders. There is a form available on our website. Check out each theme on the right ----->

Kevin

Summer Stuff Day Camps

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Events and Reminders

Next Week each day has a special theme. See below for more details.

Monday—Where the Wild Things Are

Tuesday—What Do You Want to Be?

Wednesday—Crazy in the City

Thursday—Halloween in July

Feel free to dress up appropriately each day!

Quotable Quotes

Things overheard at camp:

Overheard as the campers were bringing their bags to the tree:

This has been a very fun day at camp, and a very tiring day at camp!

Chanting overheard from the entire red group during snack time while enjoying some popsicles:

I love Summer Stuff, I love Summer Stuff!

Overheard in the Construction Room during Summer Stuff PLUS:

Where do you get all these fun toys? I want them at home, too!

Summer Stuff PLUS Happenings

This week in art we finished learning about Giuseppe Arimboldo. Students created faces for every season inspired by Giuseppe's work with faces with different elements and season series. We then moved on to the American

painter Wayne Thiebaud. The campers loved the fact the Thiebaud used all types of yummy food to create still-lives. We explored shadows and shading using our shadows outside. The students used this information when drawing

their own apple still-life picture using oil pastels and watercolors.

We splashed into construction this week with beaches and giant sea snakes.

In music, we explored the sounds of Latin America, China, and Ireland.

Construction Room

Open House

Our Summer Stuff PLUS parents are invited to tour the Construction Room and check out our projects on Wednesday, July 22 at 2:30. See you there!

Summer Stuff Daily Events

Design by Rachel

We had a splishy, splashy time in big groups and on the playground this week! Some of our songs were The Itsy Bitsy Spider, You Are My Sunshine, Baby Shark, and the Penguin Song. The campers enjoyed doing motions with many of the songs as we sang them. Our science experiment incorporated water to go along with our theme for the week. The campers learned about the scientific method while we observed celery and carnations sitting in colored water. The campers excitedly kept checking the science table throughout the day and made observations and conclusions about what was going on.

Sports by Devin

Splishy, Splashy week at camp meant including water in all of our sports activities. Soccer dribbling relays holding cups of water and monkey in the middle helped refine our skills, getting us ready for Soak the Counselor day. With two counselors in the pool we kicked the soccer ball at buckets filled with water. Each bucket that got hit was then dumped over the head of the counselors. What a wet day!

Story Drama and Games by Sue

We had a awesome time in Story Drama and Games this week. We kicked off the week reading the classic story Amos and Boris by William Steig. The students then discussed and drew what important items they would take with them if they were to go on a big adventure at sea. On Tuesday the campers really enjoyed playing balloon and blob tag with the counselors. On Wednesday we read the funny story How to Get a Gorilla Out of Your Bath-

tub by John Hall. The campers used their imagination and brainstormed crazy, creative ways they could convince a gorilla to get out of their bathtubs at home. Then, the campers had a blast performing their ideas to a partner and some to the entire group. We finished the week with a game of Sharks and Minnows.

Next Week

Next week's theme is "Wild, Wacky, and Weird" and each day will have it's own theme!

Art by Beth

We followed our Splishy Splashy theme in art this week to first create Sand and Soak pictures. The campers illustrated an underwater picture and then glued sand into the picture for texture. The next day they added color to their drawings using oil pastels and water-color paints.

Next the campers used their visual perception skills to assemble their own sea creature puzzle.

Once their puzzle was solved they were able to use Q-tips to dot paint their creatures in a pattern of their choice.



Checking Out Our Science Experiment