REMINDERS FOR THE FINAL WEEK OF CAMP!

Camp Kinneret Highlights
August 14 - August 18

WEEK NINE ALREADY?

Dear Friend,

Every year at this time we look at the calendar and say, "It can't be the end of summer already!" We work hard preparing for camp all year, and then once summer arrives, it's over before we know it. Though the days pass quickly, we hope that all of our campers leave their Camp Kinneret summer with wonderful memories that they will cherish throughout their lives. Now, with just a few days remaining in the summer of 2023, it's time to begin saying goodbye. We hope that these goodbyes are not permanent, and that everyone will keep in touch with their new camp friends. Our objective was, is, and always will be to make Camp Kinneret a special place for children.



As we reflect on 2023, many different thoughts come to mind, including plans for next summer! We encourage you to tell us about your child's experiences at camp this summer. Your comments, suggestions, and concerns are very important to us and help in shaping future camp seasons! Send an email or give us a call after camp ends to share your thoughts. Your input is important to us and to our staff and the campers. Thank you for your trust and confidence. We strive to make Camp Kinneret the best that it can be and hope that this summer was all that you wanted it to be.

THE CAMP KINNERET CARNIVAL IS THIS WEDNESDAY!

This Wednesday, August 16th, is our annual Camp Kinneret Carnival. There are no roller coasters or rides, but even better: there are booths and games created by none other than Camp Kinneret campers!

Campers registered this session but not scheduled for that day may attend for just the carnival in the afternoon. You don't need to call ahead - just sign them in with a staff person at 12:45pm and pick them up between 2:15 and 2:30pm. Our staff will be waiting by the barricade to sign them in & out. (Please note that campers who come only for the carnival in the afternoon must be picked up at camp and cannot ride the bus home.)



MAKE UP TIE DYE

If your camper missed tie-dye last week, please send a shirt with them this week. Be sure to have your camper tell their counselor that they have something to tie-dye with them. They will need to take a special trip to Arts & Crafts. Also, be sure to label your child's item with their first and last name!

ANOTHER GREAT KINNERET SLEEPOUT!

The Great Kinneret Sleepout II was another success! After our traditional late afternoon activities and chicken dinner, we all headed off to enjoy the entertainment of skits. They were creative and funny and everyone will remember the great performances! A special thanks to all of our staff and campers for making the Sleepout another fun night for everyone.

DID YOU KNOW?...

- On the nights of the Sleepouts, some bus drivers sleep at a local hotel. In the unlikely event that we need to evacuate during the night, they're ready to come to camp on a moment's notice!
- We hire a security guard to monitor camp during the nighttime hours at each of our Sleepouts. Mostly they find raccoons and listen to the sounds of the night. We have never "needed" them, but it's nice to know that they are with us at camp just in case.

Camp Kinneret has partnered with a handful of camps across the country to bring our families this podcast! Featuring child development professionals inside and out of the summer camp industry, there are over 30 episodes of great tips, tricks and lessons we use to make camp the special place it is!



A-PARENTLY PODCAST

Praising the Process

with Catriona Sangster and Kristy Andrews

A lot of our world is focused on final products. Due dates, numbers, and letter grades can completely overwrite the creative thinking, problem-solving, and learning experienced along the way. We know that we cannot help our children overcome every adversity. But what is the role of the parent in this learning cycle of setting up and taking down supports? And how do we shift our focus (and our children's focus!) from these products to the experiences themselves? The secret to raising children for resilience and success, according to Cat and Kristy, is to praise the process. To not only accept, but commend failure, a First Attempt in Learning. Encouraging creative thinking and problem-solving may take more intentionality on our end, but the result is a child that is just as excited about the learning process as we are. Join us today for some examples of how you can implement this into conversations with your kids.

CLICK HERE TO START LISTENING!

LOST & FOUND

We do our best to get labeled items back to their owners, but many of the things we find have no names. Items like bathing suits, goggles, and water bottles often go unclaimed. Please help us by clearly labeling your child's belongings with full names, and by updating those labels as they get worn off. If you ever realize your camper has brought home someone else's towel, t-shirt, or other item, please send it back to camp with your child and we will get it back to its owner. Unlabeled items are displayed on Thursday and Friday each week so campers can stop by to claim things that belong to them.

We've taken pictures of all of the unlabeled items that we've collected and would encourage you to **click here** to look through the photos of unlabeled, unclaimed pieces! Items not claimed will be donated to charity in the fall.

CAMP PHOTOS!

We want to share a glimpse of camp with you! Each week we have been posting our collection of photos on a password protected site for families who are enrolled in Session Two. Please enjoy the photos and keep the password private. The password is 'S2ck23w6789!'. You can find the photos here: **ck.camp/s2_photos.**

Please note that, while we try to get a diverse collection of photos, we know we likely missed some campers and groups along the way.







DIGITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Each week you can find digital copies of the weekly reminder emails online. They will be posted Mondays. Click here to go to our Newsletters page!