

# **WEEK 2 HIGHLIGHTS!**

Your Weekly Kinneret Newsletter!

June 23 - June 27

Dear Friends,

We're exhausted and excited after an awesome first week of camp and are looking forward to Week 2! The weekly Kinneret Highlights are the best way to find out what's happening in the coming week at camp!

# **IMPORTANT REMINDERS & INTERESTING TIDBITS**

#### CALL THE OFFICE INSTEAD OF EMAILING

Call us old fashioned, but during the summer we are out and about on the site, so calling us on the phone is the best way to reach us. While we love email most of the year, during the summer it's not the best way to reach us. Plus, we love to hear about your camper's experiences when you call! If there's something we can do to make the summer better, no matter how small, please let us know. We also love to hear how great of a time your camper is having. You can always call after hours to leave a voicemail as well.

#### **CAMPTTENDANCE APP**

The CAMPttendance app is a great way to schedule makeup days, let us know about an absence, make a change to drop off or pickup time and more!

We sent an email the weekend before camp started (subject line: "2025 Camp Kinneret Attendance App") to learn about our app, CAMPttendance!

Please use the app to schedule absences, makeups, and transportation changes!

Visit: <a href="mailto:ck.camp/attendance-app">ck.camp/attendance-app</a> to download the app!

**Please note:** if you've tried to use the app but are not receiving your verification code, do you use a Yahoo or Ymail email address? There is a known issue with Yahoo's mail servers. The team is looking into resolutions, but in the meantime, if you have an alternate email address you can use, please try that one instead!

# **ABSENCES AND MAKE-UPS**

**Absences:** Thank you for reporting your camper absences. If your camper wakes up ill, please use CAMPttendance or call the office to report the absence as early as possible. **Makeups:** To schedule a makeup day, please call use our app, CAMPttendance or call the office. It is best to call between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.) **Just a reminder that for campers enrolled in Session One only, all absences must be made up during <u>Session One.</u>** 

#### **ADDING EXTRA DAYS**

If your camper is having so much fun that they want to come to camp for an extra day (or more!), you are welcome to call the camp office to see if space is available in their group (extra days cannot be scheduled using the app). Simply give us a call the week before the extra day you'd like to schedule and the office staff will be happy to see if the space is available in their group and on their bus. The fee for each additional day is \$150 and days must be scheduled during your camper's enrolled session.

# NEED TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD EARLY? NEED TO BRING YOUR CHILD LATE?

It's easy in the app! If you know you will need to pick your child up early, or drop them off late, please use our app, CAMPttendance to make the change as early as possible. It is much harder on everyone (Office Staff, Bus Captain, Group Counselors, etc.) when we don't find out about a change until the last minute. If you don't want to (or can't) use the app,you can always call the office!

Reminder: If you need to pick up your camper early, there is no pickup between 2-4pm as we prepare for the end of the day.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

It felt great to see our campers arriving in the safety of our big yellow school buses. Thank you for your patience during the first week as our bus counselors got to know you so that they could release your campers more efficiently in the future. Please help us speed up the process by being at your stop on time and ready to be identified by your bus counselor at the end of the day. Please remember to always bring your photo I.D. in case your stop has a different counselor for a day. Also, we have a text-alert program that we will use to let you know if your bus is running late due to traffic or an unexpected bathroom stop! Thank you for your understanding!

Tip: Take a photo of your ID so you have it on your phone in case you leave your ID at home!

#### **GROUP ROSTERS**

Contact rosters for each group will be emailed to the parents/guardians of every group member soon. These will include parent/guardian cell & home numbers, as well as email addresses. We hope campers will want to continue many of their summer friendships throughout the year! If you have any concerns about sharing this information with other members of your camper's group, please contact us.

#### T-SHIRTS, LUNCH BAGS & MORE!

Every camper who was here last week should have received their Camp Kinneret t-shirt along with their blue Camp Kinneret lunch bag! If you ordered a water bottle, they should have received that as well. If your camper didn't come home with these items, give us a call to let us know. Or if your camper came home with the wrong size shirt, let us know and send it back so we can get them the correct size! (Any campers starting in week two should receive these items on their first day.)

### **GROUP PICTURES!**

Group pictures will happen this coming Thursday, June 26th and Friday, June 27th. Send your camper with their brightest smiles! Many campers like to wear their official Camp Kinneret shirts on picture day too. In the winter, we'll mail a copy of your camper's group picture as a reminder of their Camp Kinneret summer, the fun they had, and the friends they made. If your camper is absent on photo day, they will still receive a copy of their group photo.

# SAVE THE DATE FOR THE GREAT KINNERET SLEEPOUT I

Our first Sleepout of the summer will be Friday, July 11th through Saturday morning, July 12th. More information will be coming soon!



#### **BIRTHDAYS AT CAMP**

If your child's birthday is during their time at camp, we have some exciting birthday traditions to help them celebrate! We've got a birthday bell, a fancy birthday button, and our traditional silly Kinneret birthday song to make the day special. *Note: Please do not send food treats for your camper's group as there may be allergies.* 

#### **SENDING NOTES TO CAMP**

If you are sending a note to camp with your camper, it is best that you give it directly to your bus counselor or extended day counselor in the morning. We find that notes placed in camper bags often never leave the bag!

#### **INTEREST IN EXTENDING YOUR CAMPER'S SUMMER?**

Campers enrolled in Session One may extend their enrollment into Session Two for as few as 2 weeks. You can select any two of the weeks to fit your vacation or school schedule. There are still some day combinations available in many groups. If you would like to check availability for your camper's group, please call the camp office today.

#### WHAT TO WEAR TO CAMP

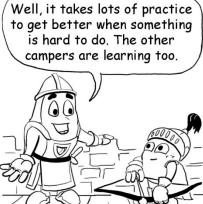
The key to camp attire is comfort. Shorts and T-shirts are great for the summer. Because there are trails to walk, hills to climb, and games to play, **sandals / Crocs / Keens / Natives / etc.** are not permitted in camp. Camp activities are most safely done in fully enclosed shoes such as tennis shoes or sneakers.

#### THE KINNERET FARM



We have many animal friends at our farm. We have three goats named Boots, S'mores, & Tippy, three alpacas named Oakley, Zuma, & Barney, two sheep named Sequoia & Montana, and a pot-belly pig named Pickles. Our pre-K through 2nd graders will be visiting the Kinneret Farm throughout the session and our older campers can get the opportunity to visit during Choice. The Camp Kinneret Garden can also be found at the farm and is visited regularly by campers entering 2nd & 4th grade.







# **DIGITAL HIGHLIGHTS**

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

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