

WEEK 3 REMINDERS! Camp Kinneret Highlights June 1 - July 3

Dear Friends,

We had an awesome Week 2 and are looking forward to even more fun in Week 3! Please read through this email for information and reminders about the week ahead.

INDEPENDENCE RELAY DAY

Thursday (July 3rd) is our annual Independence Relay Day to celebrate the 4th of July (because we are not at camp on July 4th). As a part of this annual tradition, camp is divided into Red, White, and Blue teams and campers are encouraged to wear their team color. **Teams are listed by <u>counselor name and group number</u>**. If you're not sure what group your camper is in, check the inside of their lunch bag!

RED TEAM:

Kendall & Liv (A1), Jacob (Q1a), Leora (Q1c), Brandon & Molly (Q2d), Ben & Daniela (O3a), Jamie (O4c), Piper (C5a), Aaron (C67b)

WHITE TEAM:

Ashton & Sydney (A2), Zannah (A3), Ava & Diego (Q1d), Issy & Clara (Q2b), Adam & Summer (O3d), Carly & Luke (O4a), Charlie (C5b), John & Autumn (C56)

BLUE TEAM:

Alex (A4), Inty (A5), Adrian (Q1b), Jenna (Q12), Benjamin (Q2a), Jonathan (Q2c), Zianni & Serene (O3b), Ali (O3c), Peyton & Ashley (O4b), Renee (C67a)

CITs:

CITs (Michael's group) will be spread out among all 3 of the teams for the relay. Your CIT camper can wear all 3 colors!

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Camp is closed Friday, July 4th for the holiday! Those of you enrolled for that Friday were not charged for the day.

LEAVING EARLY ON THURSDAY 7/3?

PLEASE USE THE APP OR CALL AND LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO PICK UP YOUR CAMPER EARLY ON THURSDAY.

For our celebration, we have a camp-wide *Independence Relay* that takes place in the middle of the day. During that time, we won't be able to bring down campers who are leaving early. Please plan to come **prior to 12:30 or between 1:50-2:00** if you need to pick up your camper early.

If you are planning to pick up early, please let us know before Thursday. Planning ahead makes it possible for us to get a note to the counselors, which makes the day much smoother for everyone!

THE GREAT KINNERET SLEEPOUT I

(Friday, 7/11 - Saturday, 7/12)

If your camper would like to join us for this fun annual tradition, please complete the online signup form by Friday, July 4th.



For more information and instructions for how to sign up,

click here!

CILTS ARE CHANGING GROUPS

Many of you have probably heard your campers talk about their CILTs when recapping their camp day. You've also probably wondered, "what is a CILT?" CILT stands for Camp Internship for Leadership Training. These are high school volunteers who have been chosen to participate in our leadership training program. During the summer they are learning and practicing important life skills to become great counselors. In most cases the CILT stays with the same group for two- or three-week rotations. They help the counselor create the fun that makes Camp Kinneret special.

The first CILT rotation ends this week, and next Monday they will join new groups for the remainder of the first session. Keep in mind, getting used to the change of faces sometimes takes some time, especially for younger campers.

CAMP PHOTOS!

We've had a great start to the summer and can't wait for you to see some of the fun we've had. While we try to get a diverse collection of photos, we know we likely missed some campers and groups along the way. Each week we will post our collection of photos on a password protected page for families who are enrolled in Session 1. Please enjoy the photos and keep the password private.

The password is 'ck25s1!'. You can find the photos here: ck.camp/s1_photos

TIE-DYE: WEEK OF JULY 7!

All Week 4, <u>July 7-July 11</u>, we will be tie-dying in Arts & Crafts. Groups are scheduled to tiedye on different days throughout the week. **Please send 1 extra labeled white t-shirt with your camper every day that week.** (Your Camp Kinneret shirt works great!) This way, your camper will be ready each day in case the group has Arts & Crafts scheduled. (Once your camper has tie-dyed their shirt, there is no need to continue sending an extra t-shirt for the rest of the week.)

PLEASE WRITE YOUR CAMPER'S FIRST & LAST NAME ON THE TAG! It is also a very good idea to have your camper wear something to camp that you/they wouldn't mind getting dye on. Sometimes the tie-dying process results in splashes and/or drips!

LABEL YOUR CAMPER'S ITEMS!

We work hard to help campers keep track of their things but we move around a lot throughout the day! Help us reunite your camper and their belongings by labeling everything you send to camp with them. School & Camp Labels is selling Camp Kinneret-themed labels and stickers and has provided us with the opportunity to earn a small commission on each sale, which we will put toward our Campership Fund. To learn more about their product, <u>click here</u>.

USE THE APP OR CALL IN YOUR ABSENCES!

Please continue to help us by reporting your camper absences ahead of time!

- If you know your child is going to be absent, please <u>use the app or call</u> the office to inform us as soon as you know.
- If your child wakes up not feeling 100%, please **use the app or call** to leave a voicemail with your camper's name, day and date of the absence, and their bus stop letter (or location) if you know it.
- If you have two or more children attending camp, and one of them will be absent, please still **use the app or call** the office so that we can properly mark them absent in the office and prepare their group and bus numbers for the day.
- Please **do not send emails** about absences or makeups. The business office staff is ready and waiting to take your calls but do not have access to emails.

Any absences that are properly reported are eligible for a makeup day, with some restrictions detailed below.

Thank you to all of the families that have been reporting their absences. It is a huge help!

PLAN AHEAD FOR MAKEUP DAYS!

Has your camper missed a day of camp? If the absence was properly reported, and your camper isn't scheduled for 5 days/week*, be sure to schedule a makeup day! Please plan ahead and remember that campers attending only Session One must make up their absences during the first session. Makeups are available provided that there is space in the group and on the bus that day. Use the app or call as soon as you can to avoid the end of the session crunch! As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. *The 5-day tuition rate is adjusted to account for a camper missing a day they cannot make up.

SESSION TWO ENROLLMENT

We see so many happy faces at camp and we love to see them continue with their Camp Kinneret adventures. Session Two has a few special activities that do not take place during Session One such as Olympics Week and Carnival. If you are interested in extending your camper's summer at camp, we still have some availability. Please call the office if you'd like to check the space for your camper. Continuing campers from Session One may attend for as few as two weeks (any two) of the second session (July 21st – Aug 15th) or enroll in a full session of three or four weeks. There is limited space available in some groups, so please call soon!

HIKING TO THE LEMONADE TOWER AND OG'S THRONE

Hiking is one of the special activities that we participate in at Camp Kinneret. Parents and campers often have lots of great questions about hiking at camp!

Pre-k through 4th grade campers hike to the Lemonade Tower on the hill behind camp (outsiders might call it a water tower). Hiking to the Lemonade Tower is a wonderful adventure. Each group takes lots of water and once they are at the tower, campers magically get lemonade! Some groups insist that this magic is done by the mermaids that live inside the tower and sometimes groups even talk to the mermaids!

It is fun to look down over camp from the Lemonade Tower. The trail has been cleared (about 8-10 feet wide), so campers hike in their regular camp clothes. The hike is an adventure for little legs; for adults the hike takes about 6-8 minutes to get to the tower. All Sparrow, Quail, and Owl groups are scheduled for hikes at least once during the session; however, on some days hikes are canceled if we feel it is too hot. We always try to reschedule any canceled hikes, but we are at the mercy of the weather. Keep thinking cool thoughts!

Our youngest campers (pre-k and kindergarten) go on a special hike called the Sparrow Summit Spectacular. Several of the groups have already gone together up to the Lemonade Tower with special characters to help them along the way, while others will be going later in the session!

Og's Throne is a hike specially designed for our Condor campers (5th - 9th grades). This hike is incorporated into our Nature program. There are lots of plants and rock formations to talk about on the hike and Og's Throne is located with a great view overlooking the hills of Agoura. Some groups have already been on the hike and others will be going later in the session.

LOST & <u>NOT</u> FOUND

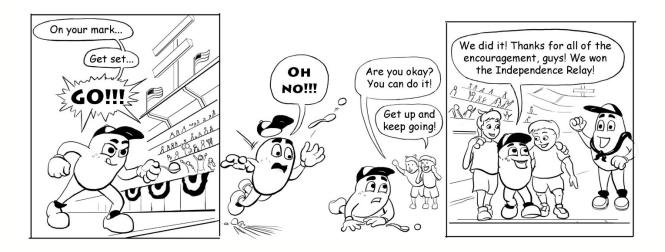
Our collection of lost and (not) found is growing! We do our best to get labeled items back to their owners, but when there are no names it makes it very difficult to help. Items like bathing suits and towels often go unclaimed. Please help us by clearly labeling your child's camp clothing and other items with a first and last name. Also, if you ever realize your camper has brought home someone else's towel, t-shirt, or other item, please send it back to camp and we will get it back to its owner.

We've posted pictures of items that have been left at camp in hopes that we can get them back to their family before the session is over! Our Session One Lost & Found Gallery is now online! We've posted pictures of any unlabeled items for you to browse through. Claimed items, as well as items that were labeled with camper names, will be returned to campers. Any items that are unlabeled and unclaimed by the end of summer will be donated.

Click here to view the lost and found gallery!

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Your child may come home talking about emergency and evacuation drills. We practice for emergencies that may occur in camp as well as any that may happen on a bus route. If you have questions, give us a call!



DIGITAL HIGHLIGHTS

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

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