



S.T.A.R. Camp

News

Summer of 2017

Sharon Public Schools

Message from our Camp Director

Dear Families,

Starting this Friday night you will be receiving an email from Kaymbu, our visual newsletter. Pictures or videos are taken throughout the week capturing campers participating in different activities either at Heights, the lake or even on field trips. We have around 130 campers that are spread out throughout the building or broken up into smaller groups on trips. Please keep in mind that this is a way for you to see what goes on at camp. This is a great tool to use as a conversational starter when your kids tell you that don't know what they did at camp today.

Please remember to send in a water bottle with your child's name printed on it. We will refill them at the end of each day and keep them cold in the walk-in. On Friday, we will send them home to be washed and returned for the following week. We also ask, if you know that your child will be out, please call and let us know the name and group your child is in. Equally important, if your child is being picked up early, please let us know what time they will be picked up and who will be picking them up.

Don't forget, we will be taking camp trips once a week and traveling to the lake on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays. If your child is in the following groups Barracudas, Mackerels, Hammerheads and Manatees, counselors will be sending home a notice regarding their trip next week to Boda Borg. Please make sure that you complete the online waiver before the scheduled trip on Tuesday, July 11 in order for your child to participate in the Boda Borg experience. If you need any more information or have questions, please feel free to call: 781-784-9999.

Warmest Regards,

Erin McCabe
Camp Director

Week 3 of Camp – Theme of the Week – Camp Crazy

Monday, July 10 – Messy Monday, Lake Day

Tuesday, July 11 – Field Trip: Pre K-3 – will be going to the Dr. Seuss Museum

Tuesday, July 11 – Field Trip: Grades 4-8 will be going to Boda Borg

Wednesday, July 12 – Wacky Wednesday, Lake Day

Thursday, July 13 – Sensational Senses, Cookout

Friday, July 14 – Crazy Hari Day, Lake Day

PRE K Guppies



Hi Parents,

This week was surely an exciting one. On Monday, we ate cake and celebrated the 4th of July together with some water-fun outdoors. The guppies earned a rubber ducky for listening well and participating in Miss Emily's music class. When we came back from the holiday, we ventured off to Canobie Lake Park in Salem, NH. Wednesday was action packed and full of laughter. Thursday came quick! The sports staff hosted sponge relays before we ate delicious food from our cookout. Both Thursday and Friday afternoons were spent lounging at the lake, splashing in the waves, and castle-building in the sand.



"I'm excited to have a turn to be the froggy in music class" - Jacob

"I like to play 'Kiddie Wants A Corner' in Drama!" - Argus

"I love the playground!" - Bennett

"I liked riding on the bus!" - Dennis

"I went on all the rides at the park!" - Adi

"My favorite part is playing with Amelia. Always!" - William

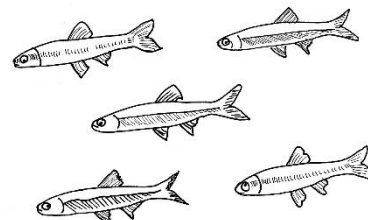
"I took a nap on the bus ride!" - Amelia

"I liked passing the sponge in the sponge race." - Raesha

"I really like when we get to print our drawings in computers!" - Anika



Kindergarten Minnows



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I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July! Although it was a short week it was packed with many fun activities! Monday we spent the day at different locations doing water activities and spending time with all the Kindergarten groups. Wednesday we had a wonderful day at Canobie Lake Park! Our group combined with the Bettas and spent the day on all different rides like Wave Blaster, Carousel, Tea Cups, Skyline ride and the Dragon Coaster. The Minnows had so much fun on all the rides and spending time with their friends! They were such great listeners and extremely respectful to the park and everyone there. Thursday and Friday we played Water Jug Relay and Sponge Toss Relay and Water Wars to start our mornings and then off to the Lake in the afternoon. Our groups numbers were low this week but it did not stop all the Minnows from having a blast each day!

Kim :)



Minnows Favorite Ride at Canobie Lake Park

Melanie	Dragon Coaster	Ayden	Wave Blaster
Kingsley	Dragon Coaster	Zachary	Sky Rail Ride
Lara	Mini Dino's Ride	Praneeth	Dragon Coaster
Aaron	Dragon Coaster		

Preview to next week.....

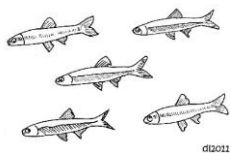
Monday → Messy Monday & Lake

Tuesday → Dr. Seuss Meuseum

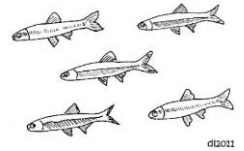
Wednesday → Wacky Wednesday & Lake

Thursday → Sensational Senses & Cookout

Friday → Crazy Hair Day & Lake



Kindergarten Bettas



Wow! What a fun-filled and exciting week. Despite it being a short week, we squeezed in so much fun! Monday was our Independence Day celebration! We enjoyed some festive cake and water games outside and returned Wednesday for our first field trip. Canobie Lake Park was a blast! Bettas and Minnows, our two Kindergarten groups, combined and traveled about the park together. We are so proud of our group for showing excellent patience and respect towards others in the park. For some, it was our first time in a theme park and everyone was very supportive and willing to try new things! By the time we were on our way home we were wiped (a sign of a great day)! I don't think there was an open eye on the bus ride back! We will wrap up this week with two more lake days, a cookout, and some more water fun! Can you believe it is the end of week 2!?



Grade 1 Dolphins



We are the Dolphins!
The mighty, mighty Dolphins!
Everywhere we go
People want to know
So we tell them...

This past week we were off to a great start. Some of the many exciting things that we did were: a Scavenger Hunt, lake activities, specials and who can forget our delicious cook out!? The campers call the cook out "their favorite day of the week."

This week we all had an incredible time at Canobie Lake Park, where students got to go on multiple rides and for some kiddos this was their first time at an amusement park! To celebrate the Fourth of July we had the biggest red, white and blue cake we have ever seen!! Instead of going to the lake this past Monday, students got to enjoy a water park day at the Heights! Many students enjoyed the slip and slide and kiddie pools that were located on the back field.

Looking forward to the coming weeks!

Your Counselors, Kari Kaye and Kaitlyn Reardon

Grade 2 Marlins



Welcome to the second week of Star Camp, where we had great days back at Camp! Although it was quiet because we had a smaller group of campers, we had a terrific time outside playing on the Water Slide and doing Gimp under the Tent. For the Fourth of July celebration we got to have delicious chocolate and vanilla cake! Then we watched Moana, the fun-filled Disney movie, it was great!

On Wednesday we were off to Canobie Lake Park in New Hampshire, a water slide and fun ride park! It was a terrific day with fun being had by everyone and we couldn't have asked for better weather! On Thursday and Friday, we were back at the beautiful Sharon Lake! Where we always have a breeze and lots of Swimming and Water play!

Brenna and I have had a lot of fun with the Marlins so far! We are very impressed with their Kickball skills! We have seen two fun-filled Games with lots of running, kicking and great catches! They also love the Computer Lab and playing on the Aftercare websites!

We hope you had a wonderful Fourth of July!!!! Happy Birthday to America!!!!

Until Next Time,

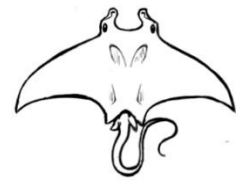
Ms. Jill and Ms. Brenna

Marlin Reminders

- Please wear sneakers everyday
- Please send a refillable water bottle every Monday. We will refill it each day and then send it back on Fridays to be washed and cleaned.
- Sunscreen!

Grade 3 Stingrays

This week we enjoyed a wonderful field trip to Canobie Lake Park! Some of our favorite rides included the teacups, bumper cars, “the caterpillar”, and “the skateboard”. We enjoyed special treats like slushies and Italian ice.

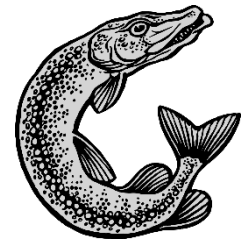


On Thursday, we had outdoor sports activities that included a water relay race, and a shaving cream contest. Rithish volunteered first to have shaving cream put all over his shirt and the rest of the Stingrays had to use a water to blast the shaving cream off of him. It was very funny! We had a cookout and everyone enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs.

The Stingrays are looking forward to going to The Dr. Seuss Museum next week!



Grade 4 Barracudas



It has been an action filled week for the Barracudas and we hope everyone enjoyed Independence Day!! Even though we could not go to the lake on Monday (too busy there, due to set up for the holiday activities), we managed to cool off with the water slide on the playground. Our theme this week is Water Games. The weather is being very cooperative!

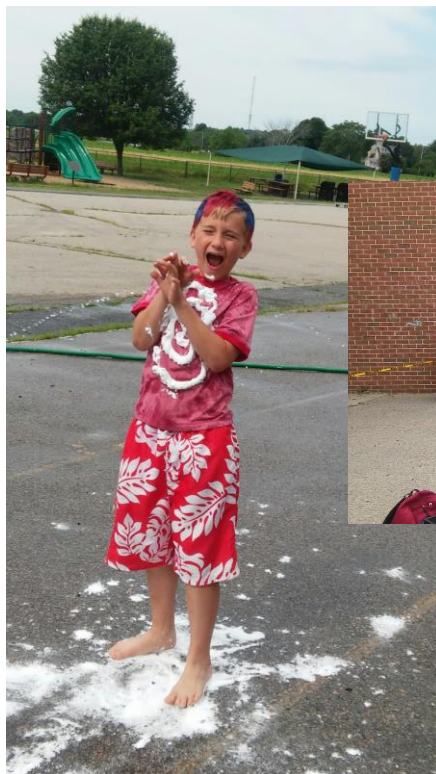
On Wednesday we took our first field trip to Canobie Lake Park. We hope your campers came home feeling happy about their day. They all did a great job having a blast together and they will get a group duckie for their cooperative spirit. They managed to get on many rides, including Zero Gravity, the Caterpillar, Flying Chickens, the Gondola and many more. Two brave Barracudas even went on the Cannonball roller coaster!

On Thursday we had two fun outdoor games - the water jug relay and shaving cream competition - in addition to drama and dance. Then it was cookout time and off to the lake where, in addition to swimming, we had an art table, play on the field, building in the sand and just relaxing with friends.

Next week we have a full week, including a trip to Boda Borg in Malden on Tuesday. Please note that we are sending home a note about the requirement to complete an on-line form in order for your child to participate in the Boda Borg activities. Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Betsy and Will



Grade 5

Hammerheads



Hello All,

What a short but fun filled week we have had this week! On Monday, instead of heading to the lake we had a water activities day at Heights which included a slip-n-slide! Also on Monday, we enjoyed a surprise snack of cake to celebrate the 4th! Roberta and Alex hope you all had a fun Fourth of July! We had so much fun at Canobie Lake Park. Many loved the roller coasters while other enjoyed the slower rides. The rest of the week we played all kinds of water games in the morning and went to the lake in the afternoon. We had absolutely great weather this week and hope it keeps up for the rest of camp!

-Roberta & Alex



Grade 6 Mackerels



Week two of Star Camp was full of fun for the Mackerels! On Monday we broke out the Slip-n-Slide and had a 4th of July celebration with cake! On Wednesday we combined our group with the Star Assistants at Canobie Lake Park. We stayed together as one big group for some of the day and then split up in two groups towards the end. Evan went on his first roller coaster ever and it was his favorite ride there! Clara and Lili also loved the Yankee Cannonball roller coaster. Palash was daring and went on a ride called Star Blaster with some of the star assistants. Johan enjoyed the log ride which splashes you with water throughout the ride. Izzy conquered her fear of heights on the Flying Rooster ride. Overall, the Mackerels

had a super fun day at Canobie and are looking forward to the other field trips in the coming weeks!! The rest of the week we played lots of different water games. What a great week!

Star Assistants

Manatees



Hello! This week was filled with lots of fun and lots of sunshine. Some of the specials we went to included: Drama, Computers, and played Ga Ga. In Drama we enjoyed doing a lot of group exercises and getting to know one another. In the Computer Lab we got to cool down and the Manatees chose online games of their choice to play.

On Wednesday we ventured out on our first field trip to Canobie Lake Park. We had a small group this week so we partnered up with the Mackerels (6th grade). Some of the campers wanted to take on the big rides including The Yankee Cannonball, The Corkscrew, Starblaster, and more! Others enjoyed the simpler rides like the Tea Cups and taking a ride on the old fashioned cars. No matter what kind of rides they chose, all the Manatees had a great time!



This is a group photo of the manatees right before getting wet on the log flume ride!

We are looking forward to next week's trip to the Boda Borg!

Have a great weekend, Emily :)

Welcome to ART with Mallory!

Happy Fourth of July! I hope that everyone had a great holiday. We have had a short week in the Art Room with the holiday and our first field trip. I had a blast with some of the Dolphins exploring Canobie Lake Park. Thanks Tess, Yulin, Sasha, Kayla and Lia for a great day!

We started working with clay this week and have been practicing our sculpting skills. We practiced making a pinch pot, making a coil, rolling a slab, and attaching clay. Even with the short week we have some awesome projects going.

This week we have been working on:

Guppies: Flag Prints and Bubble Wands

Bettas and Minnows: Clay Turtles and Panda Prints

Dolphins: Clay Snails and Sandcastle Drawings

Marlins: Clay Owls

Stingrays: Clay Crabs

Barracudas: Painting our Clay Looms

Hammerheads: Finishing Hot Air Balloons

Mackerels: Origami Bas-Relief Sculpture

Have a great weekend!
Mall



Music with Emily

Fourth of July week was full of singing games and percussion instruments in Music class. Everyone got to practice their lines and spaces by playing Simon Says on our giant music staff.

The Mackerels, Hammerheads and Barracudas worked with the conga drums on making beats with the different pitches and adding in an ensemble of smaller percussion instruments, including the cowbell, shakers and guiros.

We learned a new singing game called "Froggie in the Meadow" with the Dolphins, Marlins and Stingrays and got a chance to sing and explore the music room.

The Guppies, Minnows and Bettas learned a rhyme to help with remembering the notes of the treble clef and worked on keeping a steady beat and singing at the same time.

We're looking forward to working with the instruments even more next week and learning about all the instruments of the orchestra and some from around the world.

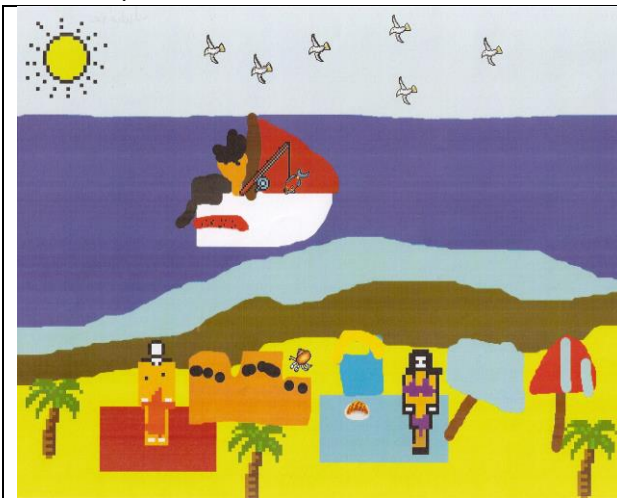




Computers with Mrs. Shulman

The theme of the week was Splish Splash and it was no exception in the computer lab. The campers used the program KidPix 3D to draw beach pictures. They also played the game Alphabet Bubble on the website www.abcya.com. As always, we start each class out with a movement break on GoNoodle (www.gonoodle.com). This week we danced to the all-time favorite Pop Se Ko.

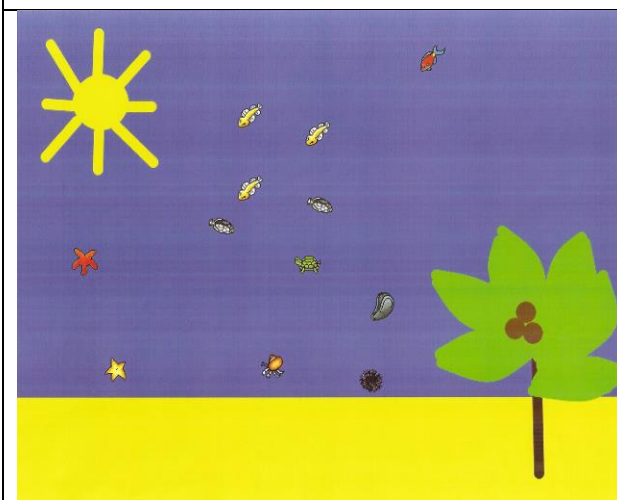
I had such a good time at camp this week and the beach pictures the campers drew were truly amazing. Below are just a few examples of the great job the campers did!



by Juliana – camper in the Bettas



by: Abby – camper in the Bettas



by: Aaron – camper in the Bettas



by Miss Jill, Counselor of the Marlins

DRAMA with MRS. GROSSMANN

We've been continuing our Ensemble Building Exercises from last week, and have begun focusing on creating environments using Mime techniques. The Box, the famous Marcel Marceau routine served as a springboard for the 4th, 5th, and 6th graders, as well as the S.T.A.R. Assistants.

The campers then went about creating various "environments" through Mime, such as a school classroom, a park, a beach, etc.

A group of three boys in the Barracudas, (4th grade), Kaeson, Jason and Aidan, created the environment of an airplane hitting turbulence!



The younger groups have been focusing on taking turns, observing and choral speaking. We pulled out an old favorite from last year, "Sludge Pie" which focuses on speaking, memorization and pantomime. The Guppies, (Pre-K), have really started embracing the Drama bug, projecting their voices in the group, taking more initiative to try new things and speaking with dramatic expression! And this is only the second week of camp! I can't wait to see the continuing changes in all of the campers as the summer progresses!

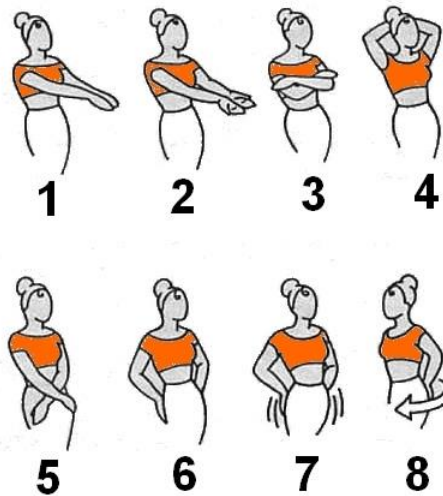
Lisa Grossmann

Dance with Hannah

This week in dance we played lots of fun activities!!! We played connect with a hula hoop and worked as a team to get everyone through the hula hoop and to the next person. We also danced to the Macarena, Cha Cha Slide, Cupid Shuffle and the "Nay Nnay" as well!

With the Minnows we had such much fun dancing and singing along to GoNoodle!! The campers love doing the Roller Coaster, Zap, the Cat Song, and Koo Koo Kangaroo!!

Next week we are going to start learning a dance and preparing to perform it in front of the camp! I am looking forward to seeing what everyone can do.



MACARENA



Outdoor Sports with Zach, Shannon & Samantha

This week at Sports was great, even with the holiday and field trip in the middle of the week. Everyone participated, and had so much fun!

On Monday we played Musical Hula Hoops and spent the afternoon on the Slip-n-Slide!

We also ventured out on the first field trip of the summer to Canobie Lake Park. As always, the specialists get to group up with some of the campers during a field trip.

Shannon got to hang out with some of the Barracudas, Adam, Bella, Heather, and Jason, while we were there. They went on several rides, such as the Bumper Cars, and a Wizard of Oz themed hot air balloon ride! Bella and Jason definitely enjoyed cooling off on the Boston Tea Party water ride and Heather and Adam enjoyed cruising around on the antique cars. We ended our day with a nice treat of popcorn and cotton candy!

Samantha got to spend the day with the Hammerheads. We walked around the park and went on many exciting rides like Zero Gravity, The Boston Tea Party, and Untamed!

Everyone had a great day and we are looking forward to our next field trip.

On Thursday and Friday we had water challenges like shaving cream squirt gun, bucket gallon fill up, and sponge bucket fill ups. The campers had so much fun playing in the water and cooling off!

This second week at camp was great. The campers had fun doing relay races, kick ball and lots of fun outside water sports.

We are so looking forward to all the games and events we have planned this summer and keeping our campers moving with lots of outdoor sports.

-Samantha, Shannon, and Zach

Gym with Rachel

This week has been a blast so far! During Gym, the campers demonstrated their hula hooping skills and came up with creative moves and combinations with the hula hoops.

On our trip to Canobie Lake Park, I traveled with the Marlins. We ventured as a group around the park and went on a variety of rides such as the spinning tea cups, zero gravity, and the merry-go-round. The kids also went on the Boston Tea Party ride towards the end of the day to cool off before the trip home. It was a great first field trip of the summer!

