

High Meadows Happenings

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This Week's News

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We had a great first session at camp and we hope you had fun too! Limited spaces are still available in our third session: July 15 - August 1. Sign up for another session, or we'll hope to see you next year! Registration for Summer 2015 will begin in early December.

- <u>Last chance Lost-N-Found.</u> We won't hold on to it much longer! Claim your items at the Community Center under the porch. Items left over are donated to charity.
- UNIT CHOICE DRESS UP DAY

Ants – Pajama Day Grasshoppers – Banana-Bandana Day Juniors – Banana-Bandana Day Super Seniors – Sporty vs. Nerdy Day Senior Quest and Legend – World Cup Day CITs – Throw Back/Throw Forward Day Specialist Staff – War Paint Wednesday Pool Staff – Hawaiian Pirate Day

































- Place Highlight: ANIMAL AREA/ROUND STABLE ~ High Meadows has many different types of domesticated animals. We have two African Pygmy goats (Jody and Bunny), a Gulf Coast Native sheep (Lulu), one Shetland mix gelding pony, one Welsh mix gelding pony, and one bay mix gelding pony (Silver Moon, Little Moon and Sunny), four Lion Head mix rabbits (Nala 2, Simba, Domino and Little Bunny Foo Foo) and twelve chickens (not including 5 yet-to-be-hatched eggs). Senior Quest and Legend campers who have chosen Animal Care as one of their activities learn about how to properly assist in the handling, feeding and care of the animals and in doing so, may choose to participate in the knighthood program. Ants, Grasshoppers and Juniors have pony rides every other day. Campers of any age may be taken to learn about and interact with the animals during free periods or during Nature classes.
- Class Highlight: WOODWORKING ~ This activity is held for both Seniors and Super Seniors.

 Super Senior campers learn the basics of woodworking and the use of tools through the completion of their choice of six different projects. Senior campers engage in more complex tasks, which include tree identification, more advanced tool usage and project design/completion using wood gathered from the forest.

This week's value was EXPLORATION!!

High Meadows Camp encourages curiosity and inquiry as well as creativity and imagination. High Meadows campers have the confidence to try new things and the skills to problem solve. High Meadows campers encourage their peers and appreciate those who do things differently. Questions for parents to ask their campers:

- ~ What does exploration mean to you?
- ~ What did you explore at camp this week?
- ~ What new experiences did you have at camp this week?
- ~ How did it feel to try something new?

Ants Announcements!~ Jan

- We had our annual Lemonade Stand on Tuesday where we sold lemonade and cookies in exchange for the singing of a good old camp song!
- Wednesday was Pajama Day, we came to camp in our nice, cozy jammies!







Grasshopper Gazette! ~ Marli

- Grasshoppers cooled off on the JELL-O slide today to celebrate an amazing session!
- In Unit Discovery, we explored the sense of touch by playing with activities involving frozen objects, including Frozen Chalk Painting, Frozen Bowling, Frozen Shaving Cream, and Frozen Excavations!
- Wednesday was Banana Bandana Day, as we showed off our inner Tarzan!
- At the all camp Livestock today, we performed "Let It Go" from the movie "Frozen"









Junior Journal! ~ Allison, Olivia and Avery

- Along with our friends the Grasshoppers, we had a great time on the JELL-O slide today!
- Banana Bandana Day was Wednesday, and to celebrate, we made Banana Penguins for Snack!
- We tie-dyed the plain white tees you sent and transformed them into an exploding rainbow!









Super Senior Shout Outs! ~ Jennifer & Jake

- Congratulations to all of our Super Seniors who successfully completed the No TV Challenge!.
- On Tuesday, we had a great time sliding down the waterslide.
- Wednesday was Sporty vs. Nerdy Day, with both athletes and geeks abound.
- We assembled Erector Sets in Unit Discovery.









Senior Quest Quips & Legend Lore! ~ Annie, Cristina, and Andy

- Senior Quest:
 - o We had a great lake trip. Campers had fun swimming and building sand castles!
 - We had a very fun cookout night.
 - Congratulations to Moon Dragon and Shadow of The Sword for their victories In Greasy Watermelon!







- Senior Legend
 - While Senior Quest was gone on their lake trip, we had fun on the low meadow playing the home grown High Meadows game of Social Ball!
 - o Congratulations to Raven's Blood and Wolf's Head for their victories in Greasy Watermelon!



Pool Post! ~Lynda

- On Monday, as part of their continuing education, our Lifeguards practiced their emergency procedures so they are prepared to take action just in case a situation arises. Lifeguard skill verifications and emergency drills take place throughout the summer at the pool and at the pond we use for canoeing.
- All campers are tested for their swim ability on their first days at camp and placed in appropriate lesson levels. Each swim period consists of well-supervised small group lessons, followed by free swim with all of our lifeguards on duty. Our waterfront director, Lynda, has been with High Meadows for over 25 years.
- Reminder for parents of Seniors campers: Be sure to keep track of your Swimming Requirement Sheets during your time away from camp, so you pick up right where you left off when you come back, be it















