

North Greenbush Summer Camp Newsletter

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Welcome New and Returning Campers!

What's New?

This summer we'll be sending home a newsletter every week updating parents and guardians about upcoming events and filling them in on all the fun their kids are having at North Greenbush Summer Camp!

A Brief Summary for Week One!

The first week of camp was full of fun, games and even a field trip to Five Rivers for grades 1 - 5!

On Tuesday counselors were given the opportunity to introduce themselves to campers and lifeguards began to swim test children to establish camper's swim levels and abilities.

Wednesday jam-packed with fun -- campers gathered around a karaoke machine in the pavilion by grade, singing both new and old songs!

On Thursday grades 1 - 5 headed out to Five Rivers for a field trip and learned about nature and how to use their five senses via a nature trail, live animals (an owl, crane

and even a snake) and a slideshow!

Grades 1 - 2 brought their stuffed animals to camp for a Teddy Bear Picnic on Friday July, 9th, while grades 3 - 4 participated in water balloon games. Later on in the day campers dunked their favorite counselors and staff in a dunking booth!



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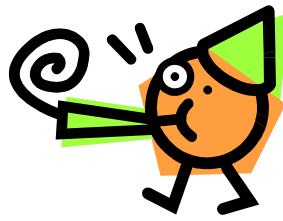
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*Have a Safe and Fun
Summer!*

Weekly Grade Updates!



1st Grade!

*Next week's scheduled events are on page 4 with dates and grade information in detail.

This week ...

The kids played duck-duck-goose, freeze tag and learned how to play both age and name games! They kept busy during the heat by swimming in the lake and singing karaoke in the shaded pavilion! First grade was also one of the grades to attend Five Rivers and learn about wildlife, nature and how to use their five senses. On Friday they brought stuffed animals for a Teddy Bear Picnic and got to dunk North Greenbush Day Camp counselors and staff in a dunking booth!

Next week ...

Campers in first grade will get to play beach ball, learn about fire safety, go on a field trip to Oasis Park (on Tuesday, July 13), build sand castles and participate in a sing-a-long with sign language!

"They're really great kids and are a lot of fun to be around."

- 1st Grade Counselor Rylee M.

*Parents are reminded to have their children stay home during field trips if they do not plan on attending them.

2nd Grade!

This week ...

Campers played four square, swam in the lake & played in the sprinkler during the heat wave, bought yummy ice cream from the ice cream man, and got along with each other exceptionally well! Second grade also took a field trip to Five Rivers in order to learn about wildlife, nature and how to use their five senses. Friday brought a Teddy Bear Picnic dunked North Greenbush Day Camp counselors and staff in a dunking booth!

Next week ...

Second grade campers are planned to learn about fire safety, play beach ball, attend another field trip (this time to Oasis Park on Tuesday, July 13), build sand castles and learn sign language by joining along in a fun sing-a-long!

"Their a lot of fun to be with and everything is going really well after the first three days."

- 2nd Grade Counselor Bryan O'C.

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3rd Grade!

This week ...

Campers played in the sprinklers and swam in the lake! They played on the playground, learned name games, played parachute, four square and card games!

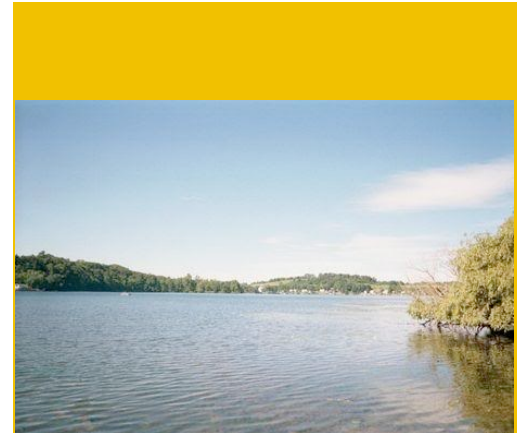
Third grade made their way through Five Rivers - walking on a nature path and learning about wildlife, nature and how to use their five senses. The following day, third grade played water balloon games & later dunked North Greenbush Day Camp counselors and staff in a dunking booth to end a wonderful week of summer camp!

Next week ...

Third grade is scheduled to attend a filed trip to Oasis Park on Tuesday, July 13! They will also learn about fire safety, play beach ball, take trip to Berkshire Bird Paradise on July 15th and top their week off with a fun sing-a-long (including sign language)!

"They like swimming and the playground very much - and having a lot of fun!" - 3rd Grade Counselor Krystina P.

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4th Grade!

This week ...

The campers played boardgames (Chutes and Ladders, Connect Four), went on the playground, ran in the sprinklers, swam in the lake, played kickball, sang karaoke and ate ice cream! The 4th grade counselors said their grade is wonderful at staying clean and picking up at the end of the day! 4th grade learned about nature and the human senses at Five Rivers on their field trip on Thursday, July 8th. Friday was full of fun as 4th grade joined third grade in water balloon games and the whole camp dunked their favorite counselors and staff in a dunking booth.

Next week ...

Campers will learn about fire safety, go on a field trip to Oasis Park (on Tuesday, July 13), learn to golf and take a trip to Berkshire Bird Paradise!

"The kids are very funny and outgoing; they surprise us with the things they say and do."

– 4th Grade Counselor Victoria W.

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5th Grade!

This week ...

Campers stayed cool in the sprinkler and in the lake, sang karaoke, played Yahtzee, made bracelets and attended the Five Rivers field trip on July 8th. They learned about wildlife and how to use your senses, as well as saw live animals such as snakes, owls, and fish! Their counselors said they set a good example for the younger grades with their great behavior and listening skills!

On Friday, 5th grade joined the entire camp in dunking counselors and staff in a dunking booth.

Next week ...

Campers will learn about fire safety, go on a field trip to Oasis Park (on Tuesday, July 13), learn to golf and take a trip to Berkshire Bird Paradise!

"5th grade is the best overall grade, because they listen well, are good to others and are very mature for their ages."

– 5th Grade Counselor Becca S.

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6th Grade!

This week ...

Campers sang karaoke songs like "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" by Cindy Lauper and "ABC" by The Jackson Five. They played a card game called Skip-Bo, Scrabble, Uno and Connect Four. They also played kickball with older grades and kept cool in the lake!

Next week ...

Campers will learn about fire safety, learn to golf, watch magic tricks and take a trip to a driving range on July 15th!

"6th grade makes me smile, because they all act so much older than they are and they don't give me any problems."

– 6th Grade Counselor Stephanie H.

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7 + 8th Grade!

This week ...

Campers played kickball with 6th grade, sang Karaoke, went swimming, played games like Uno and Spud, as well as participated in volleyball and listened to music.

Next week ...

Campers will learn about fire safety, learn to golf, watch magic tricks, take a trip to a driving range on July 15th and play kickball at the town hall. Counselor Phil S. is planning on bringing his guitar into camp next week as well.

"They are all fun to hang out with and have great senses of humor as well."

– 7&8th Grade Counselor Phil S.

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North Greenbush Summer Camp Schedule for the Week of

July 12th:

Monday July 12th	Tuesday July 13th	Wed. July 14th	Thursday July 15th	Friday July 16th
Grades 1-3: Beach Ball Everyone: Fire Safety & Homemade Ice Cream Sandwiches	Grades 1-4: Field Trip to Oasis Park Grades 6-8: learn to golf	Grades 4-5: learn to golf Grades 6-8: Magic Card Tricks/ Demonstration & Instruction	Grades 1-2: sandcastles Grades 3-5: Field Trip to Berkshire Bird Paradise Grades 6-8: Rt. 4 Driving Range	Grades 1-3: sing-along with sign language Grade 7-8: kickball at the Town Hall

Camp Checklist:

Sunblock

Bathing Suit & Towel

Lunch & Water

Ice Cream Money -- in a plastic bag with your child's name on it!

Permission Slips

Paint on the Pallet (thoughts from the Art Director):

Please have your child send in a white A-shirt or T-shirt for tie dye Day on July 22nd. Please also bring empty (clear & plastic) water bottles for sand art for the week on July 26th.

~ Barb Leatham, Art Director

Words from the Waterfront:

Swim tests have been completed for all campers who have been attending camp and did not have notes saying they would not be swimming.

Swim lessons will begin in full-swing on Monday, July 12th. Parents are reminded to pack sunblock for their children as well as a towel and bathing suit if their child wishes to swim. If your child does not wish to be swim tested or to swim, they must bring in a signed note stating that you understand your child cannot swim past the first rope without a swim test, because they will be considered non-swimmers.



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