



The Scuttlebutt

Camp Newsletter

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THE CAPTAIN'S QUARTERS

Ahoy RRDC families! After a topsy-turvy year, we were so EXCITED to reunite at the RIVA for our 29th voyage! Our first fun-filled week was packed with activities from sports to mini-golf to ceramics. We beat the heat in the pool and smiled for the camera on Picture Day. Navigators were thrilled to take their first off-campus trips of the season, too. A perfect Tuesday was spent enjoying the rides & games of Adventureland. On Thursday, 5th grade girls tumbled & stretched at Gymnastics while 5th grade boys knocked down pins at Bowling. Meanwhile, the 6th, 7th, & 8th graders jumped to new heights at SkyZone Trampoline Park. Today brought our annual Red, White, & Blue festivities & we showed off our best patriotic attire. Uncle Sam & Lady Liberty quizzed us on American history & gave out awesome prizes. Skippers danced and sang along to a special music show while Mariners and Navigators competed during everyone's favorite Powerhouse Show in the Hockey Rink. Tuesday kicks off SPIRIT WEEK, and we'll continue to celebrate our love for camp with special theme days. We can't wait for Friday's SONG & PLAQUE DAY!

Rhonda, Mark, Marissa, Ali, Jen & the Rolling River Crew



Camp Division Updates

SKIPPERS



We are trying lots of new activities, learning new games, and creating beautiful projects, too. We love splashing in Skipper Pool! We can't wait to see what fun SPIRIT WEEK has in store!

MARINERS



We are having an amazing time down at the RIVA! We made many projects at Arts & Crafts & Loading Dock, & showed off our athletic prowess in Gaga, basketball, beach volleyball, softball, and soccer.

NAVIGATORS



Our oldest campers are having a blast on- and off-campus, enjoying all the sports & activities at the RIVA and getting into the spirit of Intramurals. We'll show off our camp pride during SPIRIT WEEK!

CHARTING THE CITS

The CITs have been doing an incredible job with their groups! The CITs have two optional activities a day, one team-building activity and at least one trip per week. This week, they had fun making candlestick holders in Arts & Crafts, playing Scatterball, and making USA-themed frosted donuts at Cooking. We can't wait to "sea" what fun adventures this summer will bring.





NEXT WEEK'S ITINERARY

Tuesday, July 6 to Friday, July 9, 2021

RRDC ANNUAL SPIRIT WEEK!

Monday, July 5 - Happy July 4th! CAMP CLOSED

Tuesday, July 6

Career Day! What do you want to be when you grow up? Show off your dream job attire today.

Splish Splash Trip: Navigators & CITs
(B12, B13, B14, B15, G12, G13, G14, G15, CITs)

Wednesday, July 7

Holiday Day! Come to camp wearing your favorite holiday clothes & get ready to celebrate.

Wildplay Trip: CITs

Thursday, July 8

Crazy Sock Day! Who will wear the CRAZIEST socks to camp?!

Long Beach Trip: Grades 6 - 8 (B13, B14, B15, G13, G14, G15)
Bowling: Grade 5 Girls (G12)
Tennis: Grade 5 Boys (B12)

Friday, July 9 - SONG & PLAQUE DAY!

Celebrate your group by sharing your group song and plaque with your division!

LET'S SAIL-ABRATE!

Weekly Birthdays

6/28- Cooper Gottcent
7/1- Gavin Brill
7/1- Juliana Solow
7/2- Desmond Deacon
7/2- Mason Broderick
7/4- Chase Nilsen



SPORTS REPORT



Intramurals Update

Our popular Intramural program breaks groups into teams for weekly competitive athletic events. Winners of each Intramural bracket receive the coveted Intramural Champions t-shirt at the end of the summer. First grade groups participate in a non-competitive introduction to Intramural sports, while second through eighth grade groups compete for points. Standings are posted each week by the Hockey Rink and basketball courts.

This year's themes are "Candyland" for the Mariners and "Colleges" for the Navigators.

Tune in next week for team standings and score reports.



SPECIALIST SCOOP

Featured Activity: Nature

Campers explore the natural world around them when they visit Nature at Rolling River. This week, campers had a blast playing with *pluffle* - kinetic foam - which helps sharpen sensory and motor skills. Campers who visited Nature during Hobbies learned all about hummingbirds before creating their own hummingbird feeders. A shaped like flowers to attract these tiny fliers, the feeders were made with foam pieces, plastic tubes, and pipe cleaners. Check your camper's hummingbird feeder for the sugar-water food recipe and a story about hummingbirds. Grab your binoculars and camera and get ready to spot some hummingbirds outside your home!

AHOY FROM OUR CAMPERS!

Featured Camp Groups: Nursery & PreK

N2 Minnows: Minnows made their mark this first week by stamping their own aprons with bright paint and decorating water bottle holders at Skipper A&C. They also practiced their soccer skills on the field.

N3 Guppies: Guppies loved singing with Mr. Steven at Hidden Treasures and decorating their own 4th of July Brownies at Cooking.

N4 Ducklings: This week the Ducklings sailed the high seas at Boating and scored goals during soccer at Skipper Field.

N5 Goldfish: The Goldfish bounced around on the trampoline & tackled the obstacle course at Tumbling Tides.

N7 Otters: The Otters made beautiful music together playing the instruments at Sand Playground this week. They also loved building sand castles and going down the slides. They stayed cool in the pool, swimming and blowing bubbles.

N8 Porpoises: The Porpoises created yummy USA brownies at Cooking this week, played "Pirates" at Pebble Playground, and swam like fish in the pool to beat the heat.



WEEKLY BIG FISH



Crew Employees of the Week

Congratulations to this week's Big Fish:

- Tashine Fenelon - Mariners At-Large
- Damian Giorlando - Head Counselor B4
- Danielle Rothenberg - Head Counselor B6
- Dylan Lisi - Assistant Counselor B10

We would also like to recognize two outstanding Shadows this week:

- Brian Fox B10
- Rachel Chuarov B8

SPOUT OUTS



Special Announcements

Register for our 6 Week After-Camp Sports Clinic with **Soccer Shots!** All clinics will be held at Rolling River Day Camp. Your camper CAN participate in the clinics even if he or she is not enrolled to attend camp on those specific dates.

- **Who:** Campers going into Kindergarten through 2nd Grade (Ages 5-7)
- **Start Date:** Wednesday, July 7th
- **End Date:** Wednesday, August 11th
- **Time:** 4:15 - 5:00 pm
- **Location:** Rolling River Day Camp

Register on the Soccer Shots website
<https://longislandwest.soccershots.com/>