

# **High Meadows Happenings**

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## This Week's News

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- <u>Calendar Events for all camp</u>:
   Wednesday 6/19 is Unit Choice Dress Up Day. See below for each unit's choice.
   Friday 6/21 is Medieval Day, the last day of first session. Dress up as knights, dragons, wizards, jesters, and damsels!
- Today was our ALL CAMP COOKOUT and UNIT PRIDE DAY!







Wednesday was CRAZY HAIR/ CRAZY HAT DAY







• New Place Highlight: NEW WOODWORKING CASTLE- During last year's construction, the area surrounding our old woodworking castle went through major changes. The basketball court nearby was converted to a parking that has provided many additional parking spaces and congestion relief to our campus. Additionally, the detention pond near the old woodworking castle received some updates during the construction and as such, when it was time to build a new woodworking castle, it was decided that we would convert our old maintenance shed and its surrounding area into a space that can be used for Super Seniors and Seniors woodworking during the summer, and as a maker-space for Middle Years mini-courses during the school year. The new woodworking castle was built entirely by our own Facilities staff and all the woodworking classes have been enjoying it so far.







# This week's value was Community!

High Meadows campers understand the value of community and illustrate this by practicing cooperation and understanding. The campers appreciate the diversity of our community and feel comfortable expressing themselves. The campers understand their responsibility to our global community and work to protect the environment and live sustainably.

Questions for parents to ask their campers:

- ~What is community? What does a community look like?
- ~How do members of a community act?
- ~How does it feel when you are part of a community?
- ~What can we do to take care of and strengthen our High Meadows Camp community?
- ~What responsibilities do we have as members of our community?



• Don't forget to "like" High Meadows Camp on Facebook, and "follow" us on Instagram and Twitter @highmeadowscamp in order to keep up with the latest announcements and camp news.









~ Jan

- Our Unit Choice for next Wednesday 6/19 is Pajama Day!
- We had a lot of fun making and eating Ants on a log for snack today.
- We had fun on our mini waterslide today!
- We visited the tire swing, the tipi, and the water garden this week.
- After visiting the water garden, we made art inspired by the fish we met there.











#### ~ Dani

- Our Unit Choice for next Wednesday 6/19 is 101 Dalmatians Day!
- Grasshoppers make snack during group time. We made trail mix, haystacks, and candied grapes. The kids really loved snack this week. We also made picture frames this week.
- We cooled off on the waterslide on Thursday.

Grasshoppers Snack Menu Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Snack Necklaces
Sunflower butter Banana Bear
Dalmatian Cookies
Butterfly Snacks
Popsicles









#### ~ Travis and Anna

- Our Unit Choice for next Wednesday 6/19 is Amazing Artists Day! Dust off your dance shoes, grab your paint brushes and pick up your feather boas. Dress up as your favorite artists whether that be a painter, dancer, actor, or any artist in between!
- If you haven't yet done so, please send in a white t-shirt with your camper by Monday, as we will be tie-dying shirts.
- We cooled off on the waterslide and played water weasel on Thursday.

Juniors
Snack Menu

Mon 17<sup>th</sup>
Tues 18<sup>th</sup>
Wed 19<sup>th</sup>
Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>
Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

Magic Wands
Snail Snacks
Apple Cars
Popsicles







#### ~ Jennifer and Rob

- Our Unit Choice for next Wednesday 6/19 is Character Day! If the costume is hot, please remember to bring a change of clothes.
- The **NO SCREEN CHALLENGE** ~ Formerly known as the "NO TV Challenge", this is a great camp tradition that starts on Monday 6/17 at camp and ends Thursday 6/20 when the campers go home. Campers who are interested to take on the challenge are encouraged to not use any

electronics for 4 days. This includes computers, tablets, smartphones, video games and of course, TV. At the end of the session, successful campers will be honored for their dedication and group effort with a traditionally decorated feather.

We cooled off on the waterslide on Thursday.









~ Annie, Tina, and Rey

- The Unit Choice on Wednesday 6/19 for both Quest and Legend is Heroes/ Villains Day!
- During Senior Activity, we have done rotations, soccer, and capture the flag.
- Today's Livestock had a special theme. It was called "Randomstock" and involved lots of improvisational skits assigned to campers at random.
- Legend had a great time on the Amicalola River on Wednesday. They also had an amazing Overnight on Thursday which included a friendly Camper vs. Counselor soccer game, a dip in the pool, dinner, down time on the low meadow, dessert, games in the barn theater, a special campfire ceremony prepared by campers, and of course, Donut Trivia breakfast.











- Quest had a great game of Gaga Ball and Social Ball while Legend was at the river. Additionally, some Quest campers have been completing half-day and full-day silent challenges. Campers not completing the challenges have been very supportive of their friends.
- Quest Lake Trip is Monday 6/17, Quest campers will load up on a bus and make the short drive to Victoria Beach on Lake Allatoona. What to bring: Close-toed shoes with heel straps (old tennis shoes are the best for protecting feet in the water), towel, sunscreen and bug spray
- QUEST EVENING on Tuesday 6/18, is a wonderful way to spend an evening on our campus.

<u>Details:</u> Quest campers will enjoy a group game, take a dip in the pool, eat a scrumptious meal prepared by the CITs, enjoy some down time, maybe some ol' camp songs and finish the night with... what else... S'mores! Rain or shine, they plan on having a great time! Campers who do not plan on staying for the evening will go home the same way they always do at 4:00. <u>Pickup will be at 8:30</u> at the carpool location. No bus service! Any evening medication must be turned in to a counselor in the prescribed bottle & with any instructions needed. If needed, please fill out and turn in the Medication Release form found on our website:

http://www.highmeadowscamp.org/registration/forms

You may email it back to <u>camp@highmeadows.org</u>, or print it and turn it in to a counselor. <u>What to bring:</u> A mess kit (we encourage using a reusable plastic plate, bowl, cup, fork/spoon)

<u>Dinner:</u> Snack provided, as well as water and Juice

Sandwich Bar

Peanut-free butter and Jelly sandwich alternative

and of course S'mores!

## CIT Corner ~ Hannah and Andy

• Hello again. Best wishes and other pleasantries. The CITs have had another excellent week, bringing fun and excitement to every unit at camp and building skills for future counselordom (let's pretend that's a word). In addition, we spent time climbing the up-an-over wall as a team, crossed the wild woozy cables in pairs, worked on video projects in groups, and rocked some crazy hair/hats. A handful of CITs stuck around for the Senior Legend overnight last night, preparing food, dancing their hearts out, and joining in the activities. Today we had the pleasure of putting on the Hotdog cookout for all of camp in our Friday Tie Die (say that 5 times fast).

Thanks again for reading. Enjoy your weekend and stuff.

-Handy (Hannah and Andy)







# **SPECIALIST SPOT- GRACIE AND ERIC-** A Brief recap of what all the Specialist activities did with each Unit!

#### • Nature - Elena and Cam

- -Grasshoppers worked on exploration through sensory and scavenger hunts, including a bug hunt where they found praying mantises and butterflies. They also built fairy houses.
- -Juniors played a game called "Treevial Pursuit", a nature-themed quiz game. They also worked on discovery and exploration by building fairy houses.
- -Super Seniors used previous knowledge from last week to play "Treevial Pursuit".

#### • Traditions - Grace

-In Traditions this week, we learned about our special High Meadows creatures and worked in groups during our Pioneer game stations. We then learned about pictographs and learned how to tell stories about them.

#### • Arts and Crafts - Dax and Cate

- -This week, the Grasshoppers were introduced to Medieval camp experiences with Jewelry, making duct tape bracelets and straw necklaces. They also created their own personalized crafts and popsicle stick people.
- -This week, the Juniors created magic wands in the theme of Medieval Day and traded snakes to learn how valuable patience and listening to making any worthwhile project.
- -On Monday, the Super Seniors created their own personalized bracelets out of duct tape and designed their own personal crests like the knights and royals of Medieval times. On Wednesday and Friday, the Super Seniors created their own beaded lizards, while also learning the value of patience and listening.

#### • Sports~ Karen and Tess

- -Grasshoppers played Cops and Robbers this week. They practiced strategies to get to the robbers' hideout safely and worked as a team cheering for each other.
- -Juniors showed off their soccer skills, both offensive and defensive. They worked as a team during Cops and Robbers while saving teammates from jail.
- -Super Seniors enjoyed playing Camper-Counselor soccer, bomberball, and manhunt. They are building a sense of community while playing big group games.

## • **Discovery**- Ashley and Lily

- -This week, Grasshoppers soared to new heights with their very own customized airplanes. They learned how to structure an aircraft with proper mechanics and demonstrated their creations to their peers.
- -Juniors discovered what it takes to make a building strong and tall. With hands-on experimenting, they figured out how to turn recycled materials into structures.
- -Super Seniors were lighting up the dance floor this week. They built solar ovens out of old pizza boxes and cooked their own waffles.

## • Archery~ Jackson

-Campers have been doing two different Archery games: Flight and Tic-Tac-Toe. Flight is a game that helps them build muscle by pulling further back on the bow to get further distance. Tic-Tac-Toe divides the archery targets into nine squares and helps kids practice their aim. We had a great week and the kids are getting better by the way.

#### Woodworking~ Andy and Fiona

-This week, the campers continued to work on their projects. Although Counselors were available to provide help and instruction, we encouraged the campers to be independent and problem solve. Throughout the week, we continued to discuss safety in the woodworking shed.

Are you loving your High Meadows Camp experience? We'd love to tell you more about what happens the other 10 months of the year at High Meadows School! Since 1973, High Meadows School has inspired children age 3 through 8th Grade to think critically, learn creatively, act globally, and live compassionately. Contact Director of Admission Laura Nicholson to hear more about enrollment opportunities: lnicholson@highmeadows.org, 678-507-1170.

