



# Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 5, 2022  
Parshas Devorim

## RABBI GOLD'S PARSHA CORNER

Moshe Rabbeinu recounts how he warned the then-newly appointed judges not to show any favoritism that might corrupt the results of a case over which they are presiding.

The Gemara (Kesubos 105b) teaches that bribes don't necessarily have to come in the form of money. Even seemingly minor exchanges can affect the way a person sees things.

The Gemara mentions a story of Ameimar who was sitting in Beis Din, and a feather flew onto his head. A fellow came over and removed the feather. When he told Ameimar that he was there to have his case heard, Ameimar disqualified himself from hearing the case. Rav Pam wonders: Were these Amoraim so fickle that the slightest favor could influence their judgment? Rav Pam answers that this Gemara is not really about judicial integrity or the corrosive nature of bribes as it is about the extent of hakaras hatov we should have for those who do us favors. These Amoraim were not fickle; they took people's favors more seriously than we do. To us, such favors might be so insignificant that they don't even register on our radar screens. But people who have worked on appreciating what others do for them consider these "minor" kindnesses worthy of so much gratitude that it might skew their judgment.

During the nine days, our campers have learned the importance of Hakaras Hatov and being thankful for everything people do for us no matter how small!

## Reminders

- Please remember to send your child with a **refillable water bottle**, **sunscreen** and **snacks** every day. The children work up an appetite with their daily activities and get hungry. Only the Rishon children are provided with snack from the camp.
- **We are a nut and seed free camp.**
- All clothing should be labeled clearly with your child's name.
- Please send water shoes and towels daily for swim.

## Important Dates:

### August 9:

Terrific Tishrei

### August 10:

Mets Game

### August 10:

Rockin' Jump

### August 12:

Shalom Spirit Day &  
Last Day of Camp

### Nosim Trips

#### Monday:

Food Pantry

#### M-T Girls:

Overnight

#### Tuesday Boys:

Belmont Lake Boating

#### Wednesday:

Mets Game

#### Thursday:

The Jewish Museum

#### Friday:

Urban Air



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## NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

It is so hard to believe that we have just finished another incredible week in **Rishon** ! This week was filled with learning, exploring, friendships, and fun! This week we enjoyed an amazing puppet show that made us laugh and learn at the same time. We enjoyed watching 3 puppet shows and learning some valuable lessons along the way. Theme day was a blast as we enjoyed so many fun activities for Incredible Iyar. We had so much fun making Tefillas haderech signs for our cars to bring home as well as other beautiful creations such as ceramics and Fun With Fashion. We learned all about Tisha BAv and the 9 days. We also had so much fun learning about the letter Ches for Chesed and Chaver Tov!

Wishing everyone a wonderful Shabbos and an easy and meaningful fast.  
Rishon Staff

On Tuesday, it was quite a sight  
To see the **Sheini** and **Shlishi Girls** dressed in all blue and white.  
Incredible Iyar was the name of theme day  
And there were so many activities and games to play.  
Girls threw bean bags in the buckets and had a hoola hoop race  
But the water balloon toss is what really put the smile on each girl's face.  
We discussed the Nine Days since it's that time of year.  
And the girls all said that they wish that moshiach could be here.  
We said "Amen" and then discussed all the mitzvot that we can do  
To hopefully make that statement true.  
Each girl wrote a sentence or made a picture on a "brick"-  
Of an important mitzvah that she wanted to pick.  
And then those bricks were hung up in the hall  
To create a new bais hamikdash- which is admired by all.  
On Thursday, Rabbi Gold made a siyum- oh, what a treat  
The girls had a meat lunch and got a cookie to eat.  
Can't believe 7 weeks have flown by and that next week is our last.  
Wishing you a wonderful shabbos and meaningful fast!

**Nosim Girls** did a variety of different activities during week 7! Monday was an enjoyable day at Humdingers, bowling and playing at an arcade. On Tuesday, the girls enjoyed entertainment at Jenkinson's boardwalk. We played mini golf and then had fun at the amusement park. We enjoyed watching the New York Boulders baseball game on Wednesday. Thursday was an intense hike- the girls definitely deserve a round of applause for their perseverance throughout the trail. We ended the week with a surprise scavenger on Friday. Get excited for next week, our last week of the summer!



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### Around the Pool

What a wonderful week seven!! We had instructional swim for the entire nine days and focused on strengthening our skills. We used diving toys as well as, kick boards and pool noodles to work on balance and trusting themselves. We saw tremendous progress physically and mentally with the campers in the pool. We took advantage of the additional instructional swim time to test our campers. We hope everyone has a great Shabbat and have a meaningful fast!  
See you next week!!

Happy Swimming!!

The Aquatic Staff

### Sports @ Shalom

Our youngest campers are learning so many sports skills. They are building their hand-eye coordination skills with games like Gaga and basketball. They are practicing kicking soccer balls, and they are having so much fun running around and getting great exercise.

**It's hard to believe seven weeks have passed,  
Our **Boy's Division** is having such a blast!  
From theme day, sports, and chinuch too,  
Camp Shalom we love you!**

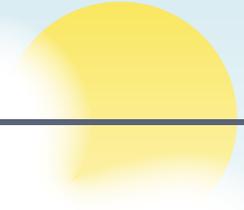
Week 7 was our most adventurous week yet! On Monday, the **Nosim Boys** bowled our way through Humdingers, while exploring all of the video games. Tuesday led us to the Jersey shore and exploring Jenkinson's Board Walk going on rides and the ropes course. Wednesday we rolled into the Boulders' game and enjoyed a Boulders' victory. Thursday we conquered a mountain at Harriman State Park. Friday we had our Surprise Scavenger Hunt. Can't wait for the final week of camp!



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### PARSHAS DEVORIM Q & A

#### דברים



1. What is ספר דברים about?  
**It is משה's final speech to the Jewish people.**
2. When does ספר דברים happen?  
**The last 5 weeks before Moshe dies. Before we go into Israel!**
3. What does ספר דברים talk about?  
**Moshe rebukes the Jewish people. He talks about a lot of the mistakes that the Jews made in the desert.**
4. Which פסוק is lained differently in this week's Parsha?  
**There is a פסוק in the second Aliyah that starts with the word איכא. We lained that פסוק to the tune of איכא.**
5. What are some of the עבירות, Moshe reminds the Jews of at the beginning of the פרשה.  
**He talks about many. He hints to the חטא העגל, he talks a lot about the story of the מרגלים.**

#### תשעה באב

1. What happened on Tisha Beav?  
**The Beit Hamikdash was destroyed.**
2. What happened with Kamtza and Bar Kamtza (at the Party)?  
**He was kicked out of the party, and not allowed to stay.**
3. What did the people at the party do?  
**They did not do anything. This story is an example of the way Jews were treating each other, and the reason the Beit Hamikdash was destroyed.**
4. What are the main things that I am not allowed to do on Tisha Beav?  
**Eat, drink, leather shoes, creams, washing.**
5. How do I wash on Tisha Beav?  
**I wash up until my knuckles.**
6. What are some other things that are not done on Tisha Beav?  
**We sit on the floor or a low chair (until midday). We try to avoid greeting people. We do not put on tfillin until midday.**
7. How do we do Havdallah this year?  
**Saturday night, we say "ברוך המבדיל בין קודש לחול." We make the ברכה on the candle, but not on בשמים. We do not make הבדלה until Sunday night.**