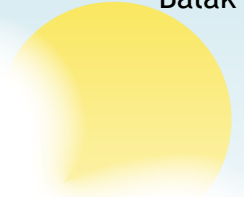




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Rabbi Gold's Parsha Corner

In this week's Parsha, Parshas Chukas, Aharon dies. After Aharon died, all of Bnei Yisroel were sad. Chazal explain that Aharon loved peace and would always make peace between anyone who had a disagreement. Now, do we really think that Aharon broke up fights between everybody? The Mefarshim explain that of course not all of Bnei Yisroel fought. However, once a few people begin to fight, it starts to rub off on others, creating an environment where fighting is acceptable. The Medrash is teaching us how quickly something can spread, both for the good and for the bad. We also learn the importance of having a good environment, surrounded by good people. Aharon helped create a positive environment, something that was appreciated by all. In Camp Shalom we strive to create an atmosphere of Torah, ruach, and good middos where campers can feel safe and have fun!! This is accomplished by each camper coming to camp with a smile on his/her face, excited to have a fun filled day. This positive attitude will rub off on other campers and counselors, creating this amazing atmosphere of Torah, middos, and fun.

Candle Lighting

Teaneck: 8:14 PM
Bergenfield: 8:14 PM
Passaic: 8:14 PM
Fairlawn: 8:14 PM
Riverdale: 8:13 PM
Upper West Side: 8:13 PM

Important Dates:

July 3

Bubble Show

Red, White Blue Dress
up Day

July 4

No Camp

July 5

Yom Sheini Theme Day

July 6

Shiva Assar B'Tammuz

1:30 Dismissal

Nosim Trips

M: MacEvoy Castle

T: No Camp

W: Harry Potter The
Experience

Th: Bower City

F: Care One

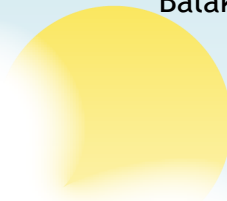
Reminders

- 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.



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NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

Welcome to Rishon! We have had an amazing week filled with playing, singing, dancing, and fun!

This week we enjoyed theme day and celebrated the first day and the creation of dark and light. In honor of theme day we were treated to a fabulous dance party with glow sticks! We made beautiful creations in art and fun with fashion. We enjoyed moving around with yoga and dance. Fun with food was of course yummy. Swim was a blast as we enjoyed learning how to swim and play. We ended our week with an awesome shabbos oneg featuring a video of none other than our Rishon superstars! Wish you were here!

Wishing you a wonderful shabbos!

What an amazing start to the summer for our **Sheini** and **Shlishi Girls** campers! The girls took part in an array of diverse activities to celebrate our theme for Week 1- Yom Rishon. In "Fun With Food" they delighted in making black and white s'mores parfaits, turning delicious treats into edible masterpieces. During STEM, the girls created custom light reflecting kaleidoscopes and mini fireworks in a jar. Our girls shined in Art where they made monoprints by painting black and white designs on tin foil that they then pressed onto paper to create unique works of art. But the highlight of the week was our theme day, when we had our much anticipated glow-in-the-dark dance party! The girls showed off their best dance moves alongside their counselors and friends adorned in glow sticks. Our Sheini and Shlishi girls illuminated the room with their amazing energy! As we look back on the week we are beaming with pride for the enthusiasm and resilience our campers have shown. Rain or shine, their spirits remained high, reminding us that nothing can dampen the fun at Camp Shalom!

...and then there was
deLIGHT!!

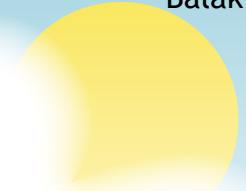
Our boys division kicked off the first week of camp with unbelievable energy and excitement! The committed counselors got to know their campers, introduced their campers to one another, and helped make sure each and every camper was included and having a great time! Looking around our DJ dance party, we could see the joy and exuberance on the faces of all our campers and counselors. We have been having the best time at all of our activities and have been creating incredible Ruach in the lunchroom. We hope everyone has a restful Shabbos as we prepare to level up for Week Two!!

Nosim has zipped up their bags and is ready to go. While traveling to Top Golf, NYC, Six Flags, and hiking, they are forming relationships with their counselors and each other. We cant wait for exciting adventures next week!



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Around the Pool

Rainy Start, Splashing Success!

What a wet and wonderful start to our exhilarating swim program here at Camp Shalom! As the heavens opened up on our first day, we embraced the raindrops with smiles on our faces and swimsuits at the ready. The unpredictable weather couldn't dampen our spirits as we dove headfirst into a week full of aquatic excitement. Despite the initial downpour, our dedicated lifeguards wasted no time in getting everyone geared up and ready to make a splash. With their guidance and enthusiasm, campers quickly acclimated to the waters and discovered the joy of swimming, rain or shine.

When the sun finally made its grand appearance, it seemed as though it was shining just for us! The remaining days of the week were filled with sunshine, laughter, and refreshing dips in the crystal-clear pool. Campers couldn't get enough of the thrilling water fun and whirlpools.

As the first week of swim draws to a close, we can't help but eagerly await the beginning of the instructional swim program. From hesitant Rishons to confident Shlishis, all our campers will get an opportunity to improve their strokes. With the sun shining brightly above us, we eagerly anticipate the weeks to come, brimming with endless possibilities for fun, growth, and aquatic adventure. Stay tuned for more thrilling updates from Camp Shalom!
Wishing you sunny days and splashes of joy,
The Camp Shalom Aquatics Division

Sports @ Shalom

What a great first week of sports in Camp Shalom! The boys and girls enjoyed basketball, hockey, soccer, volleyball, and much more. Our amazing sports counselors are helping the children learn new skills while having fun in a safe environment. Can't wait for a summer full of sports fun!



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PARSHAS CHUKAS-BALAK Q & A

Parshas Chukas - Balak Parsha Question



1. What is a חק?
A מצוה we don't know that reason for.
2. What is משפט?
A law we understand and know the reason for.
3. What is the פרה אדומה?
It is a red cow. We Shecht it and burn it. We mix the ashes with Spring water (and other things). We use it to make people pure by sprinkling it on them on days 3 and 7.
4. What does עבירה Moshe do? What was his punishment?
He hits the rock instead of talking to it. He doesn't go into Israel.
5. Which two special people die in this week's Parsha?
מררים and אהרן.
6. Who was the king of מואב?
בלק
7. Who was בלעם?
A Navi from מדין
8. What did בלק ask בלעם?
To curse the Jewish people because he is scared of them.
9. What animal did בלעם ride on?
A donkey
10. Who stood in front of the donkey?
An angel of Hashem with a sword.
11. What happened when the donkey saw the angel?
He kept turning away and would not take בלעם where he wanted to go.
12. What miracle did Hashem do?
He made the donkey talk.
13. Did בלעם curse the Jews?
No Hashem made him give a ברכה.
14. What did בלעם do to try and get ה' to curse the Jewish people?
They built 7 מזבחי and brought קרבנות.
15. What song did בלעם say in this week's פרשה?
מה טובו.