



Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



Rabbi Gold's Parsha Corner

The pasuk tells us to "Place judges and officers for yourselves in all your gates." (16:18)

Why does the Torah use the singular tense when the Pasuk applies to the entire community?

Rav Chaim Vital explains that each of us has a number of gates through which external influences, both positive and negative, enter your body. We have the gates of sight, hearing, smell, speech, and feeling. To protect ourselves, we need to establish judges and police to ascertain whether the influences are positive or negative. This is why the Pasuk is written in singular form, since each one of us must be vigilant within our community. We place our children and ourselves in environments that we know will be beneficial for their spiritual and emotional growth.

Here in Camp Shalom we spend all summer creating the perfect environment for each of our campers and staff members to grow in all aspects of their lives. As the summer comes to a close, we are so thankful to every staff member, administrator, Rebbe/ Morah, parent, and camper for partnering with us to create this beautiful opportunity for growth. We look forward to a year full of growth, and can't wait to see you all again next summer for Shalom 24!

Rabbi Yehoshua Gold
Camp Shalom Director

Candle Lighting

Teaneck: 7:32 PM
Bergenfield: 7:32 PM
Passaic: 7:33 PM
Fair Lawn: 7:33 PM
Riverdale: 7:32 PM
Upper West Side: 7:32 PM

**Countdown
for Camp
Shalom
'24
Begins
Now!!
Tuesday,
June 25,
2024**



Camp Shalom

Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

It's so hard to believe that we have reached week 8 here in Rishon! We have had an amazing summer filled with friendships, giggles, playing, and singing. Our last week of camp was truly incredible as we celebrated each day in our own special way. Monday was rainbow dress up day and we were so impressed by the campers creativity! Wednesday was spent on a school bus as we made our way to bounce U. We had a blast jumping and bouncing with our friends. Thursday we enjoyed a very special carnival. We ended this amazing week with a concert and oneg led by our very own Rabbi Yoni. The campers had so much fun dancing and singing, and finally watching a video featuring them!!!! Once again, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for sharing your children with us. Thank you to the incredible morahs who gave so much of themselves to make sure are campers were safe and happy. Wishing you a wonderful shabbos.

The **Sheini** and **Shlishi Girls** ended off the summer with an action packed week! While in camp they enjoyed activities such as forming the world out of rice crispy treats in Fun with Food, molding the rainbow fish in Ceramics, and designing candle stick holders in Art. The Sheini and Shlishi girls then traveled out of camp for our second trips of the summer! The Sarah and Rivka bunks had a blast at Bounce U, while the Rochel and Shlishi girls had a ball at the Mets Game! We ended off the week having a Carnival come to Camp Shalom. While the girls were having fun on the different attractions, they made sure to also cool down and refuel with Snow Cones and Popcorn. Our last day of camp ended on high note, as the girls got to enjoy a concert by Benny Amar and dance with their friends and counselors. It was such a great week, but even more so an amazing summer. We look forward to seeing our Sheini and Shlishi girls next summer! Shalom, Camp Shalom!

The final week Camp Shalom was a whirlwind of excitement and unforgettable moments for the boys. The Shlishi Division experienced the thrill of attending a Mets game, creating lasting memories as they cheered on their favorite team together. Meanwhile, the Sheini Boys had a blast at Bounce U, bouncing around in an indoor jumping paradise. The highlight of the camp was undoubtedly the electrifying Benny Amar concert, where the boys danced and sang their hearts out. As the camp days came to a close, the final day carnival brought everyone together for a day of joy and celebration. Laughter, friendships, and exhilarating adventures made this Camp Shalom experience truly remarkable for all the boys involved. We can't wait to see everyone next summer!



Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

Around the Pool

Shalom parents, campers, and staff,

As the sun sets on another unforgettable summer, we're filled with a mixture of bittersweet emotions. It's hard to believe that we've reached the end of Week 8 and bid adieu to Camp Shalom for this year. What an incredible journey it has been, filled with laughter, growth, and cherished memories that will stay with us forever.

Our campers truly embraced the spirit of adventure this summer. From conquering new strokes in the pool to forming unbreakable bonds of friendship, their enthusiasm has been the heartbeat of our camp. We couldn't be prouder of their dedication, whether they were mastering advanced techniques or diving into the joy of free swim sessions.

The highlight of this closing week was celebrating our campers who embarked on the deep water test and progressed to higher swim levels. Their achievements are a testament to their hard work, determination, and the unwavering support of our exceptional swim instructors. We've witnessed not only their growth in swimming skills but also their personal growth as they faced challenges head-on and emerged victorious.

As we say farewell to Camp Shalom for this summer, our hearts are full of gratitude for each camper, family, and staff member who contributed to the magic of this season. The memories we've created will forever be etched in our minds, and the lessons learned will continue to shape us in the years to come. Until we meet again, remember to keep those waterlogged smiles and the spirit of adventure alive.

Swimmers of the week: Ami Fine, Moshe Gamss, Mikki Miles, Avital Baron, Shani Solomon, Isabella Honig, Esther Steiner, Yechiel Berkson, Dovid Kruter, Akiva Schwartz, Eliyahu Seigman, HZ Press, Eliana Minzer, Freddy Selevan, Charlie Hersh, Izzy Grauberd, Rosie Rubin, David Amzaleg, Ezzi Koslowsky, Gavi Danzig, Aaron Kra, David Adler, Nathan Dayan

Lifeguard of the week: Akiva Cohen

With waterlogged smiles,
The Aquatics Division of Camp Shalom



Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

Sports @ Shalom

What an amazing summer of sports we had here at 🌲🕒 in 2 0 2 3!

Whether it was 🏏, ⚽, 🏈, 🏀, or 🎱. We had a lot of fun, but as our motto says we had fun in a Torah way! We made sure to play sports with sportsmanship, built friendships. We made sure to leave the competitiveness of the games on the fields and courts.

It's hard to believe that 8 weeks went so quickly. Looking forward to camp next year in ירושלים!



Coach Levi



Have a safe and fun rest of the summer and a sweet new year.

Nosim Girls and **Nosim** Boys had an amazing last week of camp! We helped out at the food pantry on Monday and enjoyed making our own Pizzas at EJs. On Tuesday, we learned about NYC at the museum of New York City and spent some time with the turtles in Central Park. It was great to see the Mets win at Wednesday's baseball game. Thursday, we all enjoyed the fun bicycles at Wheel Fun Rentals before returning to camp to take part in the Camp Shalom Carnival. The week ended with an awesome concert and bowling at Bowlero. We had a great time traveling with everyone this summer and hope to see you back next year!



Camp Shalom

Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



PARSHAS SHOFTIM Q & A

1. What is the name of this week's parsha?

Parshas Shoftim

2. What does שופטים mean?

Judges

3. Where did the judges sit?

At the entrance of the cities (so people will know where to find them)

4. What does a מלך (king) have to have with him at all times?

תורה ספר

5. Where are we not allowed to plant trees?

Around the בית המקדש

6. Why?

Because the זרה עבודה planted trees around their houses of

7. Which שבט did not have a נחלה (portion of land)

לוי

8. What is the בל תשחית מצוה?

Not to ruin or throw away useful things.

9. Where does a כהן get his clothing from?

From wool that he received as gifts from the Jewish people.

10. What is the name of the new month that has just begun?

אלול

11. Beginning from rosh chodesh אלול until ראש השנה what do we do after davening?

Sound the shofar

12. Why do we blow שופר during the whole month of אלול?

To remind us to do תשובה



Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 18, 2023
Parshas Shoftim



**AUGUST
SPECIAL
LOCK IN SUMMER '23
PRICING FOR
SUMMER '24**

**DEADLINE:
AUGUST 31**



**Group of 4 New
Full Summer
Campers:**
\$250 off each enrollment

Sibling Discount:
Enroll a full summer (8 week)
camper and receive \$100 off
each subsequent 8 week sibling
enrollment

CAMP SHALOM NJ.ORG
A SUMMER OF FUN THE TORAH WAY



SPORTS



LEARNING



RUACH



SPECIALTIES



TRIPS