

August 9, 2024 Parshas Devarim



#### Rabbi Gold's Parsha Corner

"Hashem, your G-d, has multiplied you and behold, you are like the stars of Heaven in abundance." (Devarim 1:10)

The Midrash explains that there are three times that Klal Yisroel is compared to the stars.

- 1) Just as one star is greater than another, so, too, Klal Yisroel has different levels, one greater than another: Kohanim, Leviim and Yisraelim.
- 2) Just as there is no end to the stars, so, too, there is no end to our People.
- 3) Just as the stars have power from one end of the world to another, so too, Klal Yisroel manifests such power.

Chazal teach us that Hashem's bracha to Avraham Avinu, that his descendants will be likened to stars, is multifaceted. Not only will they be compared to stars in quantity, but also in attributes. Here at Camp Shalom, all of our campers are stars who each bring something unique to the bunk. We have great daveners, learners, athletes, ba'alei middos, and more. Each camper is recognized for the greatness that he/she brings to the bunk and is given the opportunity to develop these attributes in camp. Especially during the nine days, our campers learn the importance of treating each person the way they want to be treated.

#### **Reminders**

- Please remember to send your child with a non disposable 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:

Tuesday, August 13

Tisha B'Av—No Camp

Wednesday, August 14

Xtreme Energy Trip

Friday, August 16

Last Day of Camp Camp Shalom Concert

#### Nosim Trips

M: Yom Chesed

T: No Camp

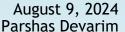
W: Yestercades

Th: Xanadu Roller Rink

Th: Camp Shalom

Concert









### **NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM**

Rishon had an incredible week 7, and we can't wait to share it with you. In honor of the 9 days, we focused on mitzvos and chesed. On theme day, we enjoyed listening to the book called The Shabbos Box. We also enjoyed decorating shabbos boxes and filling them with shabbos items to send to cholim. Of course, you can find us doing mitzvos every day, and we couldn't be more proud of our amazing campers. We had an amazing time in ceramics, team building, messy masterpieces, and art. Shabbos oneg was so special as we danced to Rabbi Yoni's acapella music. Stay tuned as we finish up our amazing summer with week 8.

Wishing everyone a wonderful shabbos!

What an amazing week for the Sheini and Shlishi Girls! In honor of Rosh Chodesh Av on Monday, Morah Estee taught the girls all about the phases on the moon. In Fun with Food the girls made smoothies, ice cream, candy pie and pancake tacos. Some bunks even had a chance to make candy sushi in a Chopped competition. On Tuesday, the girls got cozy in pajamas for a fun dress up day. Theme day, this week, gave everyone a chance to do some extra Mitzvot during this period of the Nine Days. The girls collected decorated and packed boxes of school supplies to give to Friendship Circle families to start the year off right. Even the rain couldn't stop us and the girls swam through drizzles as they worked on improving their swimming skills. The week ended with a yummy Siyum treat and an Acapella oneg. We can't believe we only have one more week together, it is going to be epic!

Nosim had a fantastic time this week! We started off with a trip to NYC where we explored the magical Harry Potter Exhibit. On Tuesday we went to Grounds for Sculpture where we wandered around the massive grounds filled with abstract art and highly detailed wax candles. We then started our final overnight of the summer! We started off by time traveling to the 1800s and visiting Wild West City where we lassoed cattle and rode on Carriages. We then had a blast at Dorney Park, zooming around at exhilarating speeds. We ended the week traveling back up North and having some fun with exploding science experiments! We are looking forward to our last week of camp!

Week 7 at Camp Shalom was an unforgettable adventure for the Sheini Boys and Yosef! They started the week with a heartwarming Chessed Day activity, where they packed 'Back to School' boxes for children at Friendship Circle, filling them with essential supplies and kind notes. Seeing the impact of their kindness sparked a sense of purpose and joy among the campers. Later in the week, a rainy day might have dampened spirits elsewhere, but not at Camp Shalom! When swim time got rained out, the lifeguards saved the day with an epic game session, bringing out the boys' inner competitors and laughter. From silly challenges to team-building triumphs, the boys had an absolute blast, making memories that will last long after the summer fades.



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#### **NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM**

### **Around the Pool**

We had another great week at the pool! Because of the 9 days, our older campers benefitted from double periods of instructional swim to really hone in their swimming skills. Our younger campers still had both instructional and free swim periods which were filled with progress, excitement and lots of fun! We braved the weather when possible and quickly shifted to indoor activities when needed—filled with tons of laughs and good times. We can't believe we're almost at the end! Can't wait for another awesome week ahead! Shabbat shalom and happy swimming!

The Aquatic Staff
Yael Green—Head of Aquatics
Chana, Rebecca, Valarie, Heisy, Rachel, Racheli, Blimi, Malka Leah,
Yocheved, Leah, Hillel, Moshe, Eli, Brian

### **Sports @ Shalom**

Sports Spotlight: Coach Shaya

Shaya is an awesome Sports Specialist at Camp Shalom, known for their exceptional kickball pitching skills and ability to connect with campers of all ages. Specifically, the Rishon bunks love having Shaya as their specialist, as he matches their energy and excitement. Shaya is a great addition to the sports scene at Camp Shalom!



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### PARSHAS DEVARIM Q & A

#### דברים

- What is ספר דברים about?
   It is משה's final speech to the Jewish people.
- When does פר 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 lain that to the tune of איכא. איכא.
- 5. What are some of the עבירות, Moshe reminds the Jews of at the beginning of the

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 B'av?
  - 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 B'av?
  - Eat, drink, leather shoes, creams, washing.
- 5. How do I wash on Tisha B'av?
  - I wash up until my knuckles.
- 6. What are some other things that are not done on Tisha B'av?
  - We sit on the floor or a low chair (until midday). We try to avoid greeting people. We do not put on tefillin 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.

