



Chabad Day Camp Newsletter

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Week #1 - in Review

Welcome back o' faithful Gan Izzy campers!

Boy are we happy to have you, and you sure must be glad to be back for year two! Camp was off to an awesomely exciting start! **On Monday**, after learning the new camp anthem (see page 2), we entered the Jewish Heritage Time Machine, and went back to the time of the very first Jew, Avraham. We had special missions, and learned all about Avraham's unique style of teaching people about Hashem. We baked an even-eat-the-crumbs-off-your-plate-icious brownie cookie crunch, and played a smashing game of kickball. Swimming at Walden Pond was just what we needed to cool off. And we made our very own Can-Do-Robots. Before we knew it, the day was over... time flies even faster when you're having tons of fun!

On Tuesday, we made beautiful wooden bencher holders, and played Puddle Jumping (how many times can YOU jump rope without spilling your cup?). At funshops we learned basic hairdressing and the nitty-gritty of PC hardware (do you know what RAM is?). Hose-Head was the funnest-wackiest game ever - what a riot! At sports, the Blue Monkeys tied the Red Roadrunners at kickball, and then we all headed to the pond for some more summer splish-splash and fun. Ending the day with our very own homemade falafel and hummus sure hit the spot!

On Wednesday we traveled to Lowell National Park, for an exciting vintage trolley ride, and a daring boat tour of the Pawtucket and Merrimack river and its water-powered textile mills. What a fascinating story of Mr. Francis's' great gate (folly, no more!). The Boott Cotton Mills Museum was a captivating hands-on experience. (I still think I want to be a lock-tender!)



Thursday began with another thrilling trip in our JHT Machine. We traveled back in time to Egypt, in the times of Joseph. We kept true to our heritage, even when it meant spending more money to keep our Jewish name, language, and mode of dress. The Red Roadrunners (finally) won in Kickball, and we baked awesomenacious gourmet Apple Galettes, and crunchefying lip-smacking Chocolate -Dipped-Cookies. We made pottery bowls and plates and learned more hairstyling

techniques at funshops. The Sci-Tech funshop made some really eye-popping-superific science experiments, and made their own mini-parachutes. **On Friday** we baked Challah,



What's Inside

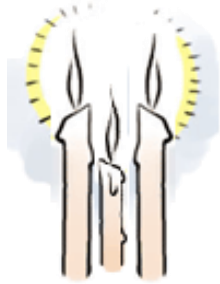
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built pyramids of colored ice blocks, and played an awesome few rounds of knock-'em-down-stand-'em-up. The sun made its appearance, finally, and we headed straight to swimming. Then we scrapped about camp and joined in the weekly Shabbat Party.

See You next week!

**Shabat Shalom!
GO IZZY!!!**

Shabbat Parshat Chukat-Balak



Light Candles
8:08 pm

Shabbat Ends
9:18 pm

*Sponsored in honor of
Yosef Ben Chaya Malka - for a speedy recovery*

Are You Ready?



A Word from the Director

Hello Campers!
If you enjoyed the first week of camp as much as I did, then you really enjoyed it!

For those of you joining us for the first time, welcome! Our CGI family is always growing, and we are glad to have you on board. We hope you will enjoy your time in CGI. For those of you who are returning CGI campers, welcome back! There is no better follow up to the great summer of 2008, than an even greater summer of 2009. And what a follow up do we have in store for you!

I hope to personally greet you at our open house BBQ this coming Wednesday, July 8th, at our campgrounds, 148 Great Road, 5:30 pm. Bring along your family and friends; we are always excited to meet new people.

Wishing you Shabbat Shalom, and a happy Fourth of July.

Sincerely,

Rivkie



Ganizzy
Go dizzy
Come wizzy
Delizy
Its easy
And peasy
To doozy
Good deedzy
So pleasey
Come joinzy
Enjoyzy
Go Izzy!

Thank Hashem
wherever you go
Thank Hashem
because you know
Whatever we have
is from Hashem
Lets sing it
once again!

Baruch Hashem!
Baruch Hashem
Is what I always say
To show my thanks
to Hashem
Every single day

Baruch Hashem!
Baruch Hashem!
Praise Hashem forever
And bless his Holy Name!

Baruch Hashem!
Baruch Hashem!
Let's join in together
And sing it once again!



Holler!

Gan Izzy's Songs and Cheers



C.G.I. 2009 Anthem

C.G.I. its year two now,
join us and we'll show you how
to have fun, learn, play, and sing,
and thank Hashem for everything

Mezonos Munchers!
Munch! Munch! Munch!
Shehakol Crunchers!
Crunch! Crunch! Crunch!
For supper, breakfast,
brunch and lunch
Thanks, Hashem, a bunch! 2x

Thunder and lightning,
ain't so frightening
'Cause we know its from Hashem!
Ha'etz, Ho'adama,
Hamotzie, Hagafen
Thank Hashem for all of them!

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GO GAN IZZY!

Torah-Bytes

From the Daily Torah Lesson

- Everything in the world comes from Hashem - thank Him for it.
- When you say a Bracha, you are speaking **directly** to Hashem!
- Say a Bracha when hearing thunder, even if you don't see lightning.
- We maintain our Jewish Identity - no matter the cost.
- We bless Hashem for giving us the Torah and Mitzvos.



Cuties Quoties

Quotes from our Campers

"What are YOU thankful for?"

- Sheina - "My parents"
- Nissim - "My eyesight"
- Yakov - "My head"
- Yoshi - "For Nissim"
- Ariella - "Chabad Day Camp!"
- Miriam - "For being able to breathe"
- Rivkie - "My family"
- Esther - "For Chabad of Acton"
- Chava - "For my brothers"
- Bracha - "That we have a pool"
- Devorah - "That I am alive"

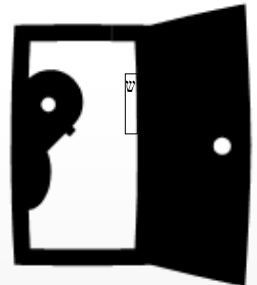
Attitude of GRATITUDE

"Thanks, Hashem!"

- A person blinks an average of 4,200,000 times a year. Think of those muscles working in tandem, hundreds of times a day, to keep our eyes moist! Thanks, Hashem!
- If not for electricity, we would be using our computers by candlelight 😊 Thanks, Hashem, for granting us humans the intellect to discover such helpful things.
- In a recent medical breakthrough, scientists have developed special contact lenses that can restore eyesight to blind people!
- Just twenty seconds worth of fuel remained when Apollo 11's lunar module landed on the moon. Phew, Hashem! That was cutting it close!
- A stroke of lightning discharges up to 100 million volts and 30,000 amperes of electricity. If only we can harness all that energy.
- There are over 6.7 billion people living on earth. Thanks Hashem for providing us this wonderful planet!
- There are close to 1000 Camp Gan Israel Camps around the world. Thanks, Hashem! Now, no matter where I am, I can have a great summer. But, boy am I lucky to be part of CGI Acton-Concord. A BIG thanks for that!

Peek-a-BOO!

Next Week in CGI



Monday, July 6th

Swimming
Baking
Jewish Heritage Time
Sports



Tuesday, July 7th

Ha'etz (fruit) Dress-Up Day
Funshops
Sports
Swimming
Kosher Krafts



Wednesday, July 8th

Trip Day
Jump On In
Late-Night BBQ



Thursday, July 9th

Sports
Funshops
Swimming
Jewish Heritage Time
Baking

Friday, July 10th

Ho'adomo (Vegetable)
Dress-Up Day
Sports
Challah Baking
Shabbat Party

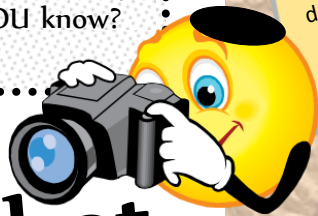




Izzy Quizzy

1. What are the three categories of Brachos?
2. Why do we make a Bracha?
3. What do the words "Boruch Ata Hashem" mean?
4. Bread and apples. Which Bracha comes first?
5. Apples and Peaches. On what do I make the Bracha?
6. What Bracha do you make on water?
7. When won't you say the Bracha Ha'eitz on an apple?
8. Is Chabad day camp the best camp ever? Or is it the best camp ever?

Quiz during lineup on Monday!
How many answers do YOU know?



Snapshot Snapshot



Note Tote

Letters from our Inbox



Dear CGI,
I love camp because of the swimming and all the other fun stuff...
Nissim

Dear CGI,
I love camp because I get to make friends, and I love swimming.
Yoshi

Dear CGI,
My kids are having such a great time... at the end of the day, I can't get them to leave. Really. They rave about the activities every day...
Elizabeth

Dear CGI,
I love camp because I am always busy!
Yakov

