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Color War 2K17

A instant camp favorite! We were all introduced to this new fun activity late wednesday. Each and every bunk got a paper with the listing of the upcoming races. Every bunks job was to try and predict which participant was going to win the event. If the bunk was extremely confident with their pick they waged 5 points, if the bunk was a bit wishy washy perhaps they only waged 1 to 2 points. At lunch thursday, all sheets were submitted. The camp was electric as we made our way to our very own MetLife Stadium right after third activity. With our music blasting each bunk was ushered to their seats. Here we go first race was our oldest

bunk, Bunk Chasidus lets call them the goliaths Vs. one of our energetic rocking bunk, Bunk Gedulah. But there was a catch, bunk gedulah had 12 campers, while bunk chassidus only had four. In a wild tug a war we saw our BUNK GEDULAH take down the might Chassidus. The crowd was not so happy. LOL, thats besides for the other third grade bunks who were cheering on their fellow third graders. Next race up was the thrilling gatorade chug. Eliyahu Newhouse Vs. Yosef Lemel Vs. David Heymov Vs. Yehuda Berman. Each contestant was handed a 32 oz bottle of cool blue gatorade, after a little sip for bracha purposes, we saw the one and only Yosef

Lemel win a nail bitter. Crowd goes crazy!! A number of other awesome races went down. Including a frisbee toss, obviously with the Merockdim state of the art frisbee catcher. Koby Greenwald took that event with an epic walk off. In the field kick we saw camper Yossi Shtuyack take down multiple staff members. Good job yus! Who would've thunk, maybe try out as a NFL kicker. Speed race was won by a tenth of a second seeing our favorite Shimi Ruskin take down his best camper. Qb accuracy may have been the hardest contest. Thriller!! This was the one where Avi drove John's golf cart around the field where moshe dovid and no-am had to nail the yellow and

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Next Weeks News

(Don't even bother trying to find another paper that has this!)

Monday will be Color War everyone come in their team colors and bring along your cheering voice. We will also be having Pros VS Joes. Everybody better come ready for the best activity of the summer.

Tuesday is the elite grand trip we will be going to Hershey park. Middle and junior league will be going to Bow Craft Amusement park!!!!!! On Wednesday our elites will be returning to Hershey park while the rest of camp en-

joys a jam-packed day full of activities at camp. Thursday is pajama day everyone come in their top pajamas. Friday of course is Pizza day!! Have an amazing Shabbos!!!!!! OICM!!!!!!



Activities & Leagues

Lunch talent show was super fun!! Dance offs!! Sing offs!! Choirs, and flexible men making moves! Thank you Ozzie Warum for getting up there and performing! You sing like an angel! Yitzi Lenowitz it was so fun to watch you showing us your moves. Thank you to everyone who performed. Leagues- You know the drill BLOCK-BUSTER MONDAY!!! No biggy! Yosef Warum had an incredible day scoring two hat tricks for the Shaq's. G. Bennett nailed a half court buzzer beater! Aryeh Muller great job in dodgeball, you're a good catcher and a great kid! Magic's were straight up showing off in football, Akiva

Jacoby 3tds and 2 int's, Rafi K. two 100 yrd tds wo!! All in the coach/qb Coach Huda Brady was on his A game with his pinpoint accuracy, should have been in the QB MYP contest. Oliver, you made your coach proud with that crazy baseball catch. The Kareem's got super hot special thank you to Dovid K & Yosef H on joining the squad! On his debut, Yosef H completely laid out as he made the catch of the year taking away a potential base hit! Yoni M decided to bat left handed and it paid off as he smashed a triple to deep right field to win the game for his

team. Coach Shlomo Jacobi pitched a no hitter for his team while drinking a can of coke! Moishy H had a career week reeling in 7 tds this week! Aron M beasted up in football on Monday as he scored 9 touchdowns for his team! Moshe K in bunk Emunah beat bunk chasidus in dodgeball all by himself! Merockdim training camp what a week!! Lacrosse, yes lacrosse! Dovid Kurzman!! Where did that come from? How in the world are you a star lacrosse player?? Krazy maze dare devil relay race! Not to mention our regular sports! Don't miss out! OICM!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! OICM!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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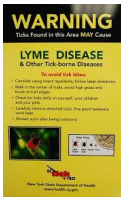


FOR DAILY PICTURE AND
UPDATES

REMINDER: WE
ARE A NUT-FREE
CAMP



blue blow up target, being dragged in the rear. In over-time we saw MD take it. Perhaps a sign of things to come?? HAHA! Lacrosse shoot was cool. Effy vs. David in arm wrestle????? Who won???? Bambi!! What?! a deer trapped on Camp Merockdim's beautiful new campus?!?! What is going on here? Scary stuff! You know what is more scary than a deer?? The extreme danger of a tick. Who knows how a little tick looks all day by all ous Effy safe- not a joking matter. We must be aware of how a tick looks. Especially when deer roam the campus at night or on some rear occasions during the day as well, lol. We must always check to make sure we don't have any ticks



on us. Fast forward a little while later to our MYP activity. While we were blasting pump up music from Davids phone, we received a phone call from an unknown number. "Guys should we pick up??" YEAH, PICK UP!! PICK UP!! The boys were shocked to hear a shrieking lady on the other end of the phone. Who could it be and why was she so grouchy?? The boys quickly found out this "lady" was a mother from camp who was beyond upset at Effy, Avi, and David, yelling would be an understatement! "My son was a camper up until yesterday!! We are now at the doctor, my son got a tick!! I want a refund from camp!! I'm going to call the police!! I'm going to call the health department how could it be that you don't have a team of doctors checking to make sure the boys don't have any ticks on them??" The look of fear on Effy, Avi, and David's face said it all,

what can we do for you? Avi sheepishly said. Please don't be upset let's talk after camp... To no avail. There is no chance my son is coming back! But you know what else you could do for me???

COLOR WAR 2017!!!!

LIYLAH RED VS.

YOM BLUE!!!









All boys had zero clue what hit them! COLOR WAR!!! Phew BH, that was a scare! "Wait Avi so you're not really in trouble? Did Effy bring a fake deer into camp yesterday? Who was that mean lady on the phone?? Did her son really get a tick?? So many questions! Not enough time to the day. We quickly rushed back into our grand pavilion dining hall. Teams were announced, staff was called out. WO ROCKING WOULD BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT!! #SICKTIMES!! Color war is also on Monday don't forget to wear your colors.


If you understand, say "understand". If you don't understand, say "don't understand". But if you understand and say "don't understand". How do I understand that you understand? Understand!"



League Standings



MINOR LEAGUE				
	Win	Loss	Tie	Points
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				

JUNIOR LEAGUE				
	Win	Loss	Tie	Points
Shaq's				
Wilt's				
Bird's				
Karen's				
agic's				
Russell's				
Kobe's				
Jordan's				
Reggie's				
Ewing's				

MAJOR LEAGUE		
	Loss	Points
		
		
		
		
		
		

COLOR WAR

Best In Bunk

Emunah	Moshe Klien	Ezra Lazarus	Mordy Weissmandl	Dayus	Ephraim Jacobson	Yehuda Remez	Eli Lefkowitz
Ahava	Motty Berger	Daniel Friedman	Yonah Markowitz	Dveikus	Doni Loebenberg	Shneur Shutyak	Zvi Klien
Binah	Avi Kram	Avi Smolarcik	Ari Zuckerman	Havanah	Yoni Churns	Eli Klahr	Yosef Warum
Bonim	Mordechai Spitz	Avrumi Goldberger	Chezky Shutyak	Hatznai	Dovid Zazon	Elroee Bar-David	Chaim Tzvi Smith
Gedulah	Yosef Halpert	Natanel Bromberg	Tzvi Israel	Vatronus	Shua Ratzker	Yehuda Berman	Dovi Jacobs
Gevurah	Moshe Goleh	Binyomin Iamstein	Ezra Bulow	Zeherus	Dovi Silber	Mendy Friedman	Yossi Farkas
Gemilus	Maor Goldberg	Shneuer Myski	Motti Stein	Chasidus	Sholie Brach	Yitzchok Frankel	Doni Redlich

Best In Learning

Best In Davening

Rabbi Kaplen	Moshe Braunstien	Rafi Gross	Uzi Kurzman	Ephraim Ashkenazy
Rabbi Cohen	Max Sontag	Avishai Weiner	Meir Simcha Sofer	Binyamin Gelbein
R' Nenner	Calev Nenner	Gavi Lerer	Akiva Axelrod	Ezra Bulow
R' Newhouse	Erez Wolfset	Yosef Fried	Shuey Gayer	Netanel Bromberg
R' Gold	Dovy Axelrod	Tzvi Klien	Ezra Koenig	Benny Mendelowitz
R' Marvet	Dani Ratzker	Daniel Hershout	Tuli Frank	Eliezer Hamberger
R' Weiss	Aryeh Hirshaut	Dovid Zazon	Avraham Zev Gayer	Shimmy Halpert
R' Rozner	Meir Landau	Eli Klahr	Chaim Goldfarb	Yisroel Zimmerman
R' Kram	Oliver Teicher	Efraim Barasch		
R' Hoffman	Mendy Friedman	Gabi Altschuller		
Harav Cement	Aaron Mizrachi	Nachi Rosenfeld		

Va'eschanan contains, amongst other treasures, the first paragraph of the Shema. In it we are commanded that 'these words that I command you shall be on your hearts' (al levavecha); a phrase on which the Sfas Emes asks a cracker of a question and volleys back a classic answer.

Why does Moshe tell us that these words should reside on our hearts - surely the more appropriate home for them should be in our hearts, representing our having fully internalised and worked upon these words and concepts.

How are we to understand this command of on your hearts?

The Sfas Emes answers that for sure the best place for these crucial words is in our hearts, for the reasons outlined above. But Moshe is telling us that if we are not on the level that these words can make it into our hearts and really become part of us, then at least they should remain floating and hovering above our hearts as opposed to being rejected and repelled completely.

That way when the time comes that we can find room for these words and concepts in our heart, they will simply seep in naturally; for they have always been there or thereabouts waiting to come into our hearts.

Have a Great Shabbos!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



