

## Color war Madness!

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MONDAY: the start of a beautiful and amazing color war!! The amazedness of every camper walking in still shocked by how surprised they were by the color war breakout. But they didn't let that stop them, the colorfulness of each camper all dressed up in their team colors brightened up Merockdim almost as much as our beautiful pink shirts do! The start of the day brought a lineup where each team wished us good morning and let us know that they are ready for victory and to "roll". Off to daven and shiur, where some of us may have davened for their team to win! Activities included sports where each team played against team and there were winners. Rebecca Klahr was happy to be playing machanayim in her game! We had food decorating, where we made animal shaped cookies, which I know Henny ate before she even left the food dec room. We boarded the buses and headed to the boys camp for some scrumptious delicious despicious lunch! Ziti! Rifky is on what number bowl?? We've got ruach yes we do!! How about you??? After some dancing as we do in Merockdim cuz duh that's our name. with our trampoline floor shaking to the beat, we were so ready for the food game team versus team! Chani Friedman from team blue vs Eliana Sandhaus from team red...after some ice cream screams Eliana took the win for her team! A benching that
shook the entire field! After some rocking cheering and a dance off to the best song ever...our camp song!! Hey hey hey!! Off to swim we go! Swim, swim swim, under the sea! But not really but almost! Back at camp we had some team time right before Merockdim fever! Each team presented their awesome march/cheer song! Team red's red hot, and teams blue badadadadump! We had some races to get the competition going. First up spoon in the mouth race, where each team tried very had to keep that wooden egg on their wooden spoons! Next up, girls ran as fast as they could to get their shoes from a HUGE pile to put on their feet. Last race was a hula hoop race to go from one end to another through their hands and feet! Lastly a basketball race with the hoop on top of their heads! Nechama Hirsch won for her team with a close 20 balls inside the head hoop! Each team really tried their hardest but we


Coming Soon.....Our .brand new. WEBSS!TE!!!!..Ṣtạy tunẹd for details!!
had only 1 winner! Of each race! With our counselors working all night can't wait for tomorrow!!
\#colorwarcrazy
IUESDAY: what a morning, what a day, anticipation in the air, counselors not exhausted from their late night preparation, we began our morning with each team lined up, cheering for their team. Each team wished us good morning with an original cheer and started us off with an exercise song. We all rushed off to start activities, with some Zumba and daven and shiur. Sports were so competitive as each team pushed themselves to take the win! Off to lunch we go with some hot franks, turkey sandwiches and more yummy deliciousness. We cheered and sang! Each team presented their witty ditty about the lunch menu. Mmmm delicious in our tummy! We cheered loud and we cheered proud. Happy Birthday to Chana in Bunk 6! She was very happy to be turning 11! Cuz of the two l's. It's a thing. I'm telling you. After a rocking benching that was hard to choose a winner, we were off to swim!! After a refreshing swim where a lot of our color war makeup came off we reapplied, had team time and arrived to present the last of the requirements of the very exciting color war. Each team gave a beautiful devar torah, team blue talking about the power of an ocean, bringing together achdus and Team red talking about how fire is the spark of torah! Thank you Shoshana and Tamar. Then

## Merockdim

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Team red presented us with a red velvet cake and team blue with some corny jokes special for ZC. Each team then presented their beautiful banners. Team Bluedesigned by Meira and Team Red by Shani and Mimi and Eliana. From there each team sang their gorgeous alma maters, which brought tears to our eyes and brought back many memories of the best summer of our lives!! We don't want to go! Time to tally up the points! Who is gonna win color war??!! After much counting and deliberating and recounting and tallying a winner was won. Whose it gonna be? Bampbadadaump! Don't forget tomorrow is a trip day!! And the winner of color 2017 is...10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 and the winner is.....TEAM RED!! A big thank you to both teams!! Blumie, Sara, Shani and Penina you all did a great job!!
\#teamredwinsagain?
WEDNESDAY: it's trip day!! We're going on a trip a great fantastic
trip tooooooooo bowcraft!!!! We came to camp and went straight on the roomy buses. Shortly after we arrived!!! There were Roller coasters, froggie jumps, speeding fast go arounds and who could forget about the swings that Chani and Zc went on with all our cutie campers from bunk 3a!!! Thank you Kira and Ahuva for coming on the roller coaster with cuz we were so scared!! We ate yummy yummy fresh hot bagels with cream cheese, butter or just plain :) yes Adina Block had 1 bagel with everything on it. Thank you Esther for sponsoring our sushi. Thank you all the counselors for making the day so much better than it already was. With smiling faces we got onto our spacious buses and drove back to camp. What an amazing day!!! Meanwhile, the time has come for the elites most awaited tripppp the overnight to HERSHEY PARK!!!! We came to camp with our smiles and pink Merockdim t-shirts and hopped onto the bus! We took advantage of the 15 minute drive and watched some old Merockdim videos which cookin with cookie had us craving a Canooolii!!! As we pulled into Hershey Park Bassy and Chani made sure to have their laces tied so they don't trip! We ate some yummy bagels and spread split into our groups and we were off!!! Elisheva and Chavie lovedddd the pirate ship while Naava and Nechama wanted to do Fahrenheit 1000 times!!!! Eliana and Avigayil raced against Bayla and Tani on Thunder and Lightning while Rebecca had fun hitting her elbow! She joined the club!!! Finally it was time to meet up for dinner at the kosher stand were
we all ate delicious scrumptious food!! How many buckets of fries did you eat Gabby?!?! Not before long we were off again going on all the rides!! Singing the Merockdim song as we climb the coasters and cheering as loud as only Merockdim girls can!!!! Ellie and Mira made sure to sit in the middle of Skyrush because they wanted their feet to stay on while Yona and Chana preferred living on edge so sat on the ends! Woahhhhh what a RUSH!!!! Rifky and Mimi continued their tradition of sitting together on Stormrunner which was lit up in tons of colors as the sun set on a wonderful day in Hershey Park!! After some gift shopping and popcorn getting we RAN to the bus even though everyone was whipped from an AMAZING day!!!!!! We got to the beautiful JCC we're we all got into our pjs and set up our bags of sleep and got into a circle linked pinkies and then asked the important question of.... DO YOU KNOW THE BUNNY GAME?!?! Because the ELITES do!!!!! We shmoozed ate some salsa and chips heard stories about couches and high vocabulary done wrong!!!! Oh what a night we had!! As Rifky was falling asleep Ellie started to stroke her hair and told her it

## MSTORY OF COLOR WAR

Color war is here color war is here if you are lazy you are crazy! I still don't know why that cheer makes sense and how it connects to color war but it's the tradition for all camps to sing that as soon as color war is broken out. Break outs. One of the hardest things a head counselor has to do. The planning, will the campers guess what it really is, has it been done before, will the campers guess what it really is, when to break it neeas to be brushea! Inen came WAKE UP time!! For Rebecca Nava and Nechama who pulled an all nighter they were helping get everyone up by tickling their toes and tapping them on the nose!!! We all packed up ate yummy breakfast and then got back on the bus for another SUPERFUN DAY!!!!! All Esther Miriam wanted was to have "Ahavti" play on the bus but sadly it wasn't working..... so we improvised and chilllllled and sang instead!! We got to CHOCOLATE WORLD with our
out and of course will the campers guess what it really is. Finally a plan has been concocted, and the day arrives. It has to be the right day, not the usual day to keep the campers guessing. With our hearts pouding and the plan in motion, maybe even a few days in motion, the break out happens. With carefulness, casualness and excitement, it's broken out and color war is here!
bellies grumbling, especially Yocheved and Hillahs!!! We rode the ride singing along with the cows AND getting STUCK twice but don't worry it will start moving again in 20 seconds!!!!! After we all went to the gift shop got some yummy chocolate and before we knew it we had to load the bus again!!! As we pulled out we all waved good bye while we ate our DELICIOUS deli sandwiches!!!! We schmoozed sang ate laughed and reminisced our WONDERFUL trip!!!!! We pulled back into camp all happy and tired ready to get

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| REESES PUFFS | 2 | 3 |  |
| KIX | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| CAPTAIN CRUNCH | 5 | 1 |  |



| Major Leagues |  |  |  |
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| EU ER RS | 6 | 1 |  |
| PUMAS | 4 | 3 |  |
| YEEZYS | 2 | 5 |  |

home so we can be fully rested for Friday another SUPER FUN day in CAMP MEROCKDIM!!!!!
THURSDAY: while the elites were away on their trip, bunks 1-5 got into lines for lineup! Merockdim goes around with an S-M-I-L-E! Arts and crafts with Mrs. Kirshner whom we love so much. We created beautiful beaded jump ropes and painted candlesticks. Davening and shiur were of course inspirational as we learned about the history and significance of TU B'Av, a general overview of Parshas Eikev, the Shivas Haminim, the importance of Kavanah during Tefillah, and the importance of

Chessed as a way of emulating Hashem. Sports were played with some belts which can't be mistaken for running and some good old elimination. Lunch was eaten with gusto as we potato blintzes with some more great stuff to fill our stomachs. Let's get our dance on please! Its MEROCKDIM!! The food game with Tova Gelb as our champion really made us scratch our heads with a WHAT??? And benching was of course rocking! Swimming was deliciously wet and leagues was deliciously competitive. Merockdim fever came right after that with a spider web

## TAKE A WALK DOWM MEMORY LAME

## Interview with: Dine continued.....

Chani: we were talking about sharing the last time we spoke and I was going to ask Effy...

DINA: and?

Chani: well he said he never orders anything he just eats from your plate, except for ummm

DINA: I know I know dessert

Chani: Ok Dina, let's talk more about how you are celebrating 20 years of Merockdim

DINA: well we are celebrating with our beautiful new campus that the campers are really enjoying

Chani: yes the boys camp is really and we are so grateful that the girls gets time there too

DINA: yes they do but they don't


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need it as much since they have you
Chani: what do you mean?

DINA: well you are the greatest head counselor and your program is so amazing that the girls don't even need all the amenities

Chani: aww Dina I'm blushing
DINA: I don't know what I would do without you

Chani: well lets hope you never have to find out

game only bunks 1-5 know how to play! If they were in Merockdim or even know what Merockdim means!! What a fun game! Elites then pulled in all exhausted but smiles on their faces and with chocolate for all! Thanks Tamar and Shani! So sweet!
FRIDAY: Good morning camp Merockdim! Let's get this day started! After davening and changing for swim we were off to Merockdim Chef. The chefs that were still in from last week, got a new creation to get creative about. Cake pops! With 2 types of cake batter to choose from and many different toppings they sure were beautiful to look at and even more yummier to taste! The call was sounded, and hands up, the judges deliberated and winners were chosen to move onto the final round, where winners will be chosen to win the $\$ 100$ gift cards! cant! We then left to eat lunch and hooray its Pizza dayayayayayayay!! Scrumptious, hot and delicious, what more can we ask for??!!! Soda too!! ONLY IN CAMP MEROCKDIM!! Campers and daveners of the week were announced. We took bunk pictures and wished each other a good Shabbos and are ready for next week!!

HAVE A WONDERFUL SHABBOS!!

## We LOVE you!

Chani,
Rifky \& ZC

|  | CAMPERs of the WEEK |  | DAVEMERs of the WEEK |  |  | CAMPERs of the WEEK |  | DAVEMERS of the WEEK |  |
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| 2 | Chana Raff | Shana Ciment | Elky Rennert | Kira Cohen | 5 | Toby Kahn | Margalit Levi | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hindy } \\ & \text { Indig } \end{aligned}$ | Daniella Taub |
|  | mimi Yaniv | Linda Alfie | Riki Cohen | Ashrit BarDavid |  | Chana marrus | Elisheva Plotzker | Penina Betsalel | Shira Schuh |
| 3B | Adina Klein | Kaila Rothman | Atara Zimmerman | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Faigy } \\ & \text { Genut } \end{aligned}$ | 7/8 | Mira Fishman | Gabby Richland | Nechama Hirsch | Chani Friedman |
| 4A | Hudis Schoenfeld | Batsheva Levin | Racheli Rappaport | Shira Raff |  | WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU! |  |  |  |
| Best in Shiur |  | Bunk 1 |  | Bunk 2 |  | Bunk3A |  | Bunk 3B |  |
|  |  | michal Ratner |  | Teri Brodie. <br> Amira Wizman |  | Riki Cohen |  | Ariella Greenfield |  |
| Bunk 4A |  | Bunk 4B |  | Bunk 5 |  | Bunk $\sigma$ |  | Bunk 7/8 |  |
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## MEXT WEEKS MEWS:

- OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, August 13 at our Boys camp! Can't wait to see you!
- Late Night for Elites: TBA


## IMPORTANT IMFO:

- We are a nut-free camp!
- Please send in extra water bottles!
- Send in your Tuna Fish Cans!!
- We are constantly posting pictures on our Instagram account, check them daily for updates!





