

THE GATE HILL NEWS

Summer 2017– Week 5



MONDAY

We were so happy to welcome new friends to all of our groups this week. Tie Dye began in art and the colorful shirts, socks and bandanas are truly works of art! Campers picked their favorite colors and tried out swirls, ombre and bullseye patterns. Kurt Gallagher sang with the Villagers and the Pathfinders got a surprise performance as well! Everyone really rocked out!

TUESDAY

Nico and Tony started the day with a crazy Mostest/Tuesday dance party and we campers jumped up to the Hokey Cokey! 4 Mostest champions were awarded! Campers also kept their eyes peeled all day for signs of Challenge Eggs, they could feel the prize was close! Everyone was really hoping to win the ice cream truck visit in time for Carnival!

WEDNESDAY

The Wacky Wheel Wednesday group winners won a GAGA Madness party with Wacky Zacky. He surprised each group by showing up with music, giveaways, and got the party started. Villagers and Pathfinders went wild over Nature Nick's amazing animal show. Who knew monkeys liked marshmallows so much!

THURSDAY

Best...Day...Ever! Carnival is a favorite tradition for both campers and staff. Just the mere mention of it makes all Gate Hillers smile and shout! The whole field was full of games, challenges and rides to enjoy with friends. Campers rocked out to the music, posed for photos at the photo booth and bounced all afternoon. From the swing carousel to the cotton candy, to the friendship rings, it couldn't have been more perfect.

FRIDAY

Campers had been working hard all week together to hunt down rare Golden Challenge Eggs to earn enough Gate Hill Challenge Points for the second prize. The Ice Cream Truck came to camp and victory tasted so sweet! Now just the 3rd prize remains! At 1 million points campers and staff will win a special piece of Gate Hill to take home. For Group Match day groups surprised us with crowds of Emojis, Hippies, Playdoh, Minions and more!



WHO HAS THE MOSTEST???

The Monarch was not upset,
When it rained on his day,
He asked his friend Tony,
If he would share his Tuesday.

Tony was happy,
To join the Monarch for fun,
It always seems to happen,
That on Tuesdays there's sun!

The Monarch had an idea,
The best one probably ever,
Lets combine Tuesday Tony,
With Mostest Monday together!

As the Tony song began to play,
The Monarch put on his cape,
Every camper at Gate Hill,
Knew this was gonna be great!

The Monarch asked Tony,
What dance he was doing,
The Monarch then knew,
That a great challenge was brewing.

At the top of his lungs,
With a smile full of glee,
Who has the best Hokey Pokey
Dance move for me to see!

The Hokey Pokey song blasted
It was heard by all in camp,
Zac and the Monarch then chose,
4 campers to be the Mostest champ!

Cole C from B4B was one,
And so was Lucas from B 7/8A,
Sophia L (G4A) was the third,
And Hannah W from G3A, hooray!

Join us next week,
I am sure it will be a blast
There's only 3 more Monday's left,
Man, this summer is going fast!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!

Ava M.
Erin S.
Sam W.
Dani G.
Kathrine S.
Stella L.
Haley J.
Serena B.
Sahil S.
Shaleen S.

Woo Woo!!!!

THINK SWIM!

The Trident swim group always ends the summer with an awesome canoe trip to Lake Sebago. Campers and lifeguards get to test out their boating skills by paddling around the lake on a scavenger hunt. Campers look forward to this trip and can't wait for it to happen next week! Keep up the great job in swim instruction, the Trident level is just around the corner! ...*"lets go swimming!"*

WEEK SIX AT THE HILL

Monday - The Pioneer Messtival & Villager Visiting Day

Tuesday - Explorer Expedition Trip to Medieval and Villager Pony Rides

Wednesday - Pathfinder Bubble Blast and Pioneer Trip to the Castle!

Thursday - Mountaineers Gate Chill Day

Friday - Villager Oreo Olympics & Sr. Mountaineer Trip



TIE DYE WASHING

The majority of groups received their gorgeous, one-of-a-kind tie dye item this Friday. Each item was "heat set" to stop the colors from bleeding. Although these items have been dried, we suggest washing and drying them again separately to ensure no color will transfer onto other clothes. We can't wait to see all of the beautiful colors on display Monday of Week 8 for our annual Wear Tie Dye Day!

DIVISION WEEK!

What a special Week 6 we have planned! Our Annual "Division Week" is designed to give each division a unique day, all of their own. On Monday, the week will start with Pioneer's extra, crazy Messtival event. Tuesday is the Explorers Expedition—a trip to Medieval times, where their knights will engage in an epic tournament! Wednesday will see bubbles in the air (and everywhere!) for Pathfinder Bubble Blast in a Gate Hill foam pit party. On Thursday, the Mountaineers will get to relax and hang out with their friends for Gate CHILL Day! They'll have a designated "chill zone" with fun backyard games as well as some cool new electives. The Villagers will round out the week with Oreo Olympics. They will roll, stack, count, and munch on Oreos. Division Week offers something to look forward to every year as we grow up at camp!

Today we said "goodbye for now!" to some of our Gate Hill Friends. We can't wait to see you at Fall Festival, and of course next summer! If today was your last day, all bathing suits and extra clothes should have come home. If you're missing something, please let us know! Stay connected on **Social Media** throughout the year!