



WELCOME, FRIEND

FCS Summer Camp Weekly Newsletter



From the Desk of the Director

Early in the morning on the first day of camp, I was busily running all over campus to put the final touches on camp preparations and making sure that we were ready to receive our camp community for the first time in 2021.

I happened to encounter a neighbor from the nearby Westchester Park homes on campus for her morning exercise, and we ended up chatting about what was going to happen in just a few short hours.

She shared with me about how the school felt so quiet when we were not on campus for much of the previous year before we returned this past spring. She glowed as she shared that it was beautiful that we were going to operate camp this summer and provide a safe space for children to play and have fun.

This brief conversation made me take a moment from all of the busyness to remind myself about why we are here at Friends Community School Summer Camp.

It is not a typical summer by any means, but let's focus on letting our kids play and have fun.

Welcome to Summer @FCS 2021!

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01A1 - Little Explorers: Oh, the Places You'll Go!

Led by Lindsay Bearden

Assisted by Taylor Washington

For many of our campers, this was their first time into a large peer social group, and we spent a lot of time getting to know each other, learning how to play with the materials, and how to take care of not only ourselves, but our friends as well.

We visited imaginary parks, museums, aquariums, gardens, and even a zoo!



01B1 - Nature Explorers

Led by Samantha McKay

Assisted by Lauren Hill

Nature Explorers spent as much time outdoors as possible without living out there! From arrival freeplay to recess and every opportunity in between, our backyard was our exploration space.

We made a paper tree and hung real leaves on them. Our campers loved going bug hunting and collecting them for observation. Did you know that our compost has a lot of worms, pill bugs, and other decomposers?

Of course we also learned about cicadas as there were so many still flying about. In between all of our adventures we played outside, inside and made new friends.



UNMASKED PHOTOS WERE TAKEN DURING MEAL TIMES

01C1 - Agility Adventures

Led by Jadyn Brick

Assisted by Camille Samuels

We lived on the playground this week! Well, the playground, corral area, multipurpose room, and wherever we could run around.

When we're not swinging across bars, crossing a slackline, or running fast, we enjoyed our downtime with marble runs, which is basically an obstacle course for marbles! On Friday, we even made a mini obstacle course out of cups, sticks, and other crafting materials.

There was a lot of different ways to play, but we enjoyed spending time with our friends most of all.



01C2 - Create Your Own Book!

Led by Danielle Martin &

Jazlyn Olivera (Weds./Thurs.)

Assisted by Crystal Robinson

On Monday we planned out what theme our books would take. Some campers worked on stories of fantasy or non-fiction works about animals or the solar system. Others explored making wordless books of only pictures and textures. Tuesday and Wednesday were spent ripping paper into smaller pieces and using a blender with Danielle and Jazlyn helping campers to turn the paper into pulp with water.

A pasty mush was the result. We used the power of the sun to help dry our handmade paper and completed our books Friday. One book was 70 pages long!



01D1 - Archery & Wilderness Skills

Led by Mark Evans

Assisted by Alex Andrews and CIT Alan



Archery is always a popular and exciting activity, but before the arrows came out we learned and drilled safety protocols. New skills require practice and knowing the equipment so we drilled until everyone felt comfortable and confident. We worked on target practice and proper technique. For wilderness skills we learned how to navigate with compasses, set up tents and the things to keep in mind if lost in the woods: Shelter, water, fire, food. We had a great week!



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Museum-ready Sculptures!

Our Little Explorer friends visited a imaginary museum where they had the opportunity to create sculptures to put on display!

When working with sculptures and little hands, it is a great opportunity to develop their fine motor skills to be able to push, squeeze, and smooch materials like modeling clay or playdough.

Mindful that the process is just as important as the results, and our campers had plenty of the opportunity to talk about colors and shapes. Some even told stories about their art pieces.

DIY Tree Art

Our Nature Explorers blended art and natural materials by using tree rubbings as the basis of their tree and branches before adding actual leaves and other natural materials to the showpiece.

This cool blend of artistic techniques offers the joy of scavenger hunts and texture exploration to make a beautiful collage designed by many hands.

We may be mindful of our physical distance to each other, but our art can always bring us together.



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Catch a Bug!

Did you know that not all bugs are insects? Our campers in Nature Explorers took to the outdoors every single day to find, observe, and eventually release their new buggy friends.

You can find bugs nearly anywhere, and the variety depends on the habitat. Of course, Brood X cicadas were found nearly everywhere on campus. Mantises can be found near shrubs and pill bugs were often found under rocks!

Later in the week, our campers also explored the wonders of decomposition and found plenty of worms near our compost pile.

Of course, ticks were often found as well, so make sure to do your daily tick checks at home and send into camp any latched ticks for testing!

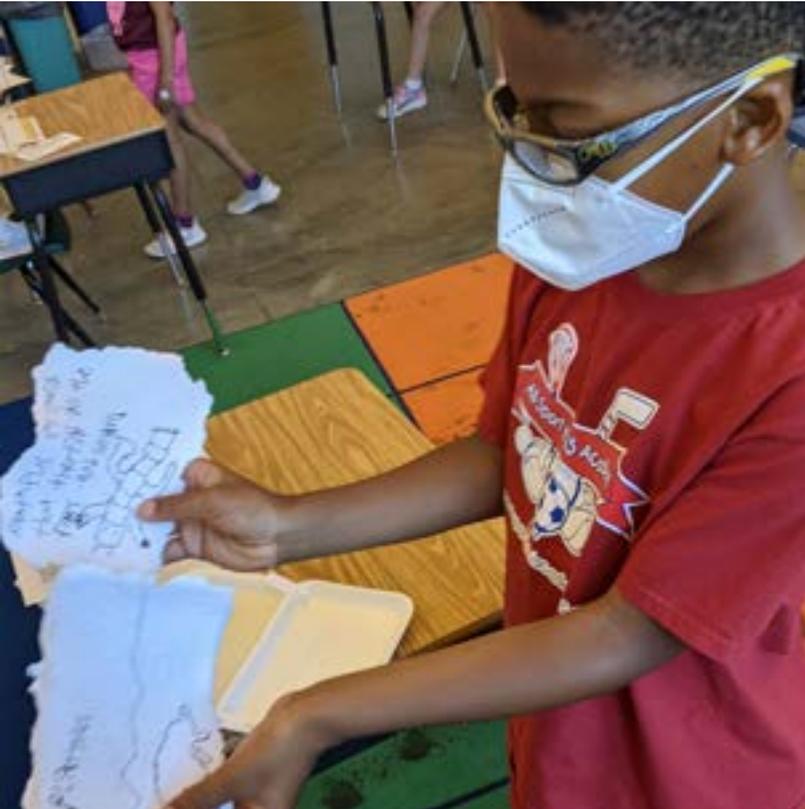
Move your Bodies!

At Agility Adventures, we explored different ways to move our bodies while working on balance, speed, flexibility, strength, and stamina. Each day, campers practiced moving through different obstacle courses, played movement games and collaboratively designed an obstacle course.

Campers can practice right in their own backyards with movements such as standing on one leg, walking backwards, lunging, crawling, and walking on a line. Time yourself and try to beat your own speed! Keep notes to see how you improve.



Try this @Home!



Make Your Own Paper!

Using paper to make paper? That's what our campers in Create Your Own Book did this week!

Campers took scrap paper that was already going to get recycled, cut or shredded them with scissors, and finally, added these pieces to a blender with water.

Blend and adjust either the amount of paper (too wet) or water (too dry) until the mixture becomes pliable enough to be picked up without dripping too much water.

Spread them into a flat tray as thin as possible, and let it dry in the sun. Once it's hardened, you can write your own book on it!

Hit that Target!

In Archery & Wilderness Skills, our campers first learned about the parts of the bow, different kinds of bows, and range safety. Our targets are well loved, but you don't need a target at home to practice the hand-eye coordination integral to getting a bullseye!

Start with a soft ball or beanbag that you can comfortably hold in your hand. Find a safe spot nearby that you can throw it at. Tree trunks, fence posts, or even a spot on the ground all work!

Mark your standing spot, and try throwing the ball a few times to calibrate your shot. Did the ball fly a little too far to the left? Try doing the same thing again, but aim a little to the right!

You can increase the challenge by using smaller balls, further targets, or even limiting how many times you can throw it!





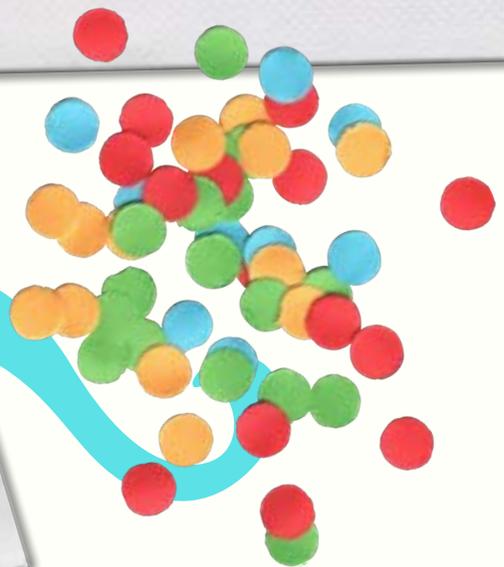
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See you next week!

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This summer is my inaugural year stepping into the shoes of my predecessor, Erin Murray-Hause who had spent many years developing our summer camp program which has grown tremendously in the past decade at FCS.

I've found that no matter how much one plans, there will always be surprises along the way. Some surprises require me to navigate challenges to be able to best support our children, families, and staff. Meanwhile, other surprises bring a gentle warmth to my soul.

I'm glad to share with you the song that the 02D1 Theatre Arts teacher, Courtney and her campers created. This was developed entirely of their own initiative. I've promised the campers that we would sing it every week for the rest of this summer.

[Link to original performance](https://youtu.be/BFN_idrwF_E)
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02A1 - Animal Planet

Led by Lindsay Bearden

Assisted by Nyila Johnson

This week we went on safari! We learned all about the different animals that live all over such as elephants, giraffes, and sloths.

While learning about these animals, we did lots of activities such as painting giraffes, and learning American Sign Language for the different animals.

We also read lots of books and watched informational videos about our animals!



02B1 - Agility Adventures

Led by Jadyn Brick

Assisted by Lauren Hill

We've been having a blast this week! When we aren't outside having time to run, jump and play, we were practicing other physical skills. We learned about balance, speed, strength, and flexibility in our relays.

Then, it was our turn to be in charge, we designed our own obstacle courses. We built our models using recycled and classroom materials.

We've also been sharpening our minds by playing with building games like marble mazes and Tinkertoys.



02B2 - Building & Patterning

Led by Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by Taylor Washington and CIT Reese L.

This week, we put our creative thinking skills to the test! In the building and patterning camp, we built tower structures with legos, blocks, and even cups.

The theme for Wednesday was animals! And since every animal needs a home, we made homes for creatures like dolphins, whale sharks, and pandas using paper, tape and cups. We were even able to make the homes fancy with some markers, crayons, and imagination! We used markers to draw our own patterns. Then we used those patterns to make animal collages. We also colored in some pets and made them their very own leashes. We got to learn so many different techniques this week, it has been such a great time!



02C1 - Archery & Wilderness Skills

Led by Mark Evans

Assisted by Alex Andrews

Even the rain can't stop us! It was pretty rainy on Tuesday, so we couldn't go outside to work on our aim.

Thankfully, we were able to pivot and use the indoor archery set with the suction cup arrows to keep practicing. One of us even got four bullseye shots over the course of the day! Even though the weather was unpredictable, we had a great time.

Throughout the week, we learned how to survive in the wilderness, including using a compass, building shelter, gather firewood, constructing a campfire, and of course, we made and ate s'mores.



02C2 - Food & Art: Cooking

Led by Samantha McKay

Assisted by Crystal Robinson

We filled the hallways with delicious smells all week! We learned basic cooking skills, like how to properly measure ingredients and cut onions and garlic. We explored foods and flavors from many different cultures. We made a yeast bread, an oat soda bread, and three different kinds of cookies. We also learned how versatile the black bean can be. We made soup and empanadas, but chocolate cupcakes were everyone's favorite of the black bean recipes!

We also recreated food artwork inspired by famous artists such as Wayne Thiebaud, Giuseppe Arcimboldo, and Claes Oldenburg. We tried different forms of art like paper mache, oil pastels, watercolor paints, and salt dough. We even made a recipe book full of all the tasty things we tried this week!



02D1 - Theatre Arts Camp

Led by Courtney Hughes

We put on our director's cap this week! We began the week by exploring improv to learn how to think on our feet. We practiced in pairs and as a class to create different sketches.

After practicing the basics, we started brainstorming our own movie. Our movie is about the different kinds of personalities during quarantine. We wrote, filmed, and edited it all on our own!

Coming soon to a screen near you! Well, actually, sooner than you think. Check out the link below!

[Link to camp-made video!](https://youtu.be/Tvfs2HTeWq0)
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02D2 - Coding & Strategy Games

Led by Vineyard App Camp

Proctored by Gillian Rosenzweig-Stein & Han Pham

When not testing out strategy skills, we learned HTML and Javascript this week!

We made a game called "Where's Waldo?" with the coding skills we learned along the way. First, we used an image of our choosing and created a place within the image where a mouse click would take us to a separate window with the picture in full screen.

In the afternoon, we played various strategy games such as Risk, Monopoly, Here to Slay, and many more!



02DV - SSAT Prep: Vocab

Led by Jennie Claiborne

This week, we *ascertained* knowledge of various Greek and Latin root words we use as prefixes in order to help define challenging new vocabulary. In addition to vocabulary, discussed and demonstrated test-taking skills, tips, and tricks through real, timed SSAT sessions.

Try this @Home!



Elephant Dance

Want to easily remember the different parts of an elephant? Dancing is a great way to remember!

Make sure you have scissors, glue, and paper. Then cut out of all the parts of the elephant including the ears, trunk, and feet. Then, glue those parts to a colorful sheet of paper so you can easily see!

Now here's how you do the dance: Flap your ears, swing your trunk, stomp your feet, and move your body.

Now you're really dancing like an elephant!

Build your own Obstacle Course!

With a few toys and a good imagination, you can build an amazing obstacle course almost anywhere!

Hula hoops are great for hopping in, out, and over. Jump ropes can be used for limbo-ing or lining a path. Any toy you have plenty of (like traffic cones) are great for side-winding, skipping, and sprinting between.

For an added layer of fun: pretend your obstacle course is an expedition. Hula hoops can be stepping stones across the Amazon river, or a jump rope can be a tightrope across the Grand Canyon- it's all up to you!



Try this @Home!



Patterns are Everywhere!

Counting patterns. When the family is together, they can practice counting, where each member says the next number in the pattern. For younger children, they can just count. For older children they can count by 2s, 5s, 10s, backwards...

Do a pattern walk. Where do you see patterns in your homes? In nature?

Use materials from your recycle bin to create roadways for toy cars.

Building a Fire (for S'mores!)

When making a campfire different types of wood such as kindling, tinder, and firewood are all needed. This wood is perfect for building a tepee or log cabin fire. Knowing how to build a campfire is great for when you go out camping!

To make your own s'mores all you need is graham crackers, chocolate and a toasted marshmallow.

Now that you know how to make your own campfire and s'mores please remember, safety first!



Try this @Home!



Black Bean in Cupcakes?!

Black bean cupcakes were a super tasty, protein packed variation of chocolate cupcakes. We experimented with the amount of sugar in our batter and learned that the black beans were undetectable in our cakes, and that chocolate can be very bitter!

You can experiment, too- try adding nuts or sprinkles for crunch or color, using cinnamon as a flavor instead of coffee, or a dusting of powdered sugar instead of glaze for a slightly less sweet alternative! Experiment with different recipes, make a note of the things you do or don't like, and keep tweaking a little at a time until you get the perfect recipe for you!

[Check out the recipe book here!](#)



Charades & Improv

An improv game you can play at home is fairly easy, all you need is someone to perform and at least one person as the audience!

The audience will give the performer a starting and ending line, which means the performer has the begin the improv with the starting line and end the improv with the ending line given. One of the scenarios we came up with in camp were watching a horror movie.

Try acting using whatever faces and gestures you can to have your audience guess movie or book titles, activities, or whatever else you can think of as long as you don't use words- the name of this game is charades!



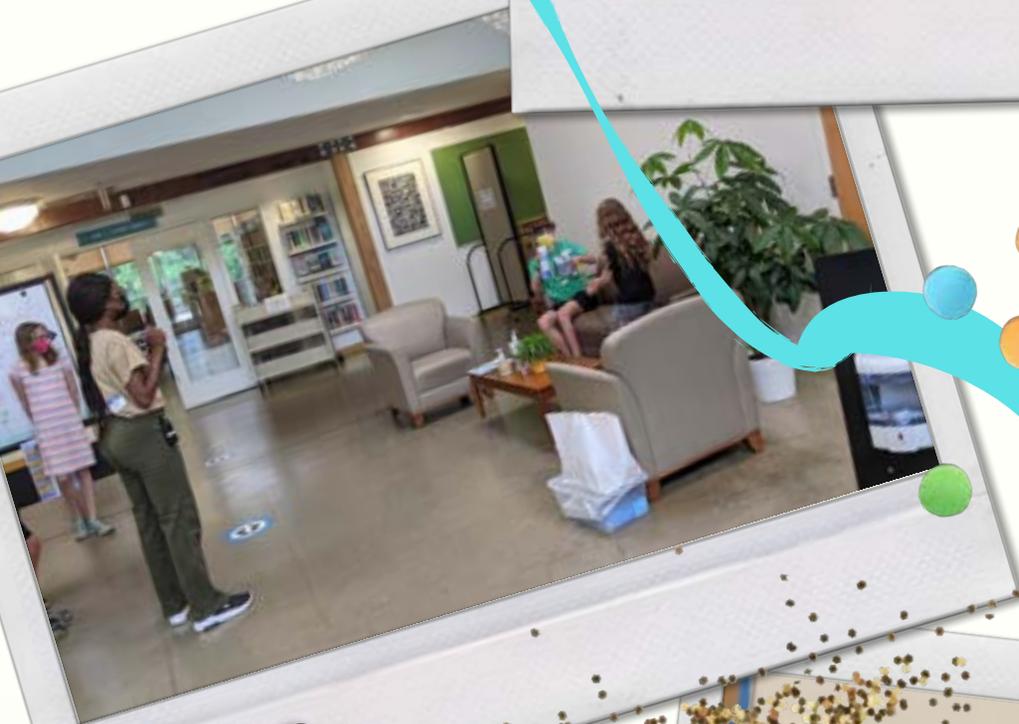


Patricia & Dan visiting the rooftop garden!

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In planning the variety of camps this summer, I've continued to include a few mainstays of FCS Summer Camp such as Magic School Bus, Archery & Wilderness Skills, and Nature Explorers among other historically popular themes.

During the planning process, I found that there was a need to bring new ideas to the table. I ended up either redesigning previously offered camps or creating entirely new themes that I believed would be an unforgettable experience for our children.

Growing up in a contractor family, I've learned much about the world just from seeing and experiencing how things were made. Every time I've peeked into the "How Is It Made?" camp this week, I saw that same spark of curiosity that carried through my life, and I sincerely hope that curiosity never fades for our campers.

We have been breaking new ground this year in many ways, and I am proud of what we can offer our campers this summer.

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03A1 - Under the Sea

Led By: Julia Park

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

This week, the Little Explorers went under the sea to learn more about the ocean!

Exploring aquatic animals was so much fun. We made rainbow fish, created shark headbands, and even made our own jellyfish. Using a sensory bin, we were able to fish for and catch our own fish.

We also had plenty of reading time with books like 'The Rainbow Fish' and 'Smiley Shark.'



03B1 - Summer Blossoms

Led By: Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by: Lauren Hill & CIT Emily E.

Summer Blossoms burst into bloom this week with lots of action in the garden.

We learned about the parts of a flower, the life cycle of plants, and how to take care of a garden. Bringing our knowledge to life, we weeded the FCS roof, making sure to carefully grab the base of the weed in order to get out all the roots.

Being aware of the environment is very important! Knowing how to take care of plant life and making eco-friendly decisions has helped us learn how to help make our planet a greener place in which to grow up.



03B2 - Magic School Bus

Led By: Margie Strohecker

Assisted by: Taylor Washington & CIT Gabi S.

Riding on the Magic School Bus, our Little Explorers investigated a multitude of topics and concepts such as sound, floating versus sinking, and outer space.

Sticking with a science theme, we made balloon rockets, explored moon craters, and listened to sound recordings to try to guess their origin. We also did lots of neat crafts like making bats with pipe cleaners, construction paper and toilet paper rolls while we learned about how bats use echolocation to find food and other bats.

We worked hard all week to decorate a very special school bus. We even got to play pretend to drive and ride in it!



03C1 - Sport of the Day

Led By: Mark Evans

Assisted by: Gillian Rosenzweig-Stein & CIT Joelle A.

In Sport of the Day, we were able to get moving while also learning about the rules, techniques and equipment needed for our sports.

At the beginning of the week we squeezed in as many of our field activities like soccer and archery. Despite the hot weather later in the week, we were still able to be active inside by learning fencing, lacrosse, and broomball.



03C2 - How is it Made?

Led By: Samantha McKay

Assisted by: Han Pham & CIT Nilufar M.

At this camp we dug into the world of engineering through exploring everyday items. We started off the week by taking apart a printer, a stereo, and telephones.

By taking things apart with tools (under adult supervision) we found out how small pieces can come together to create sound, music, or light. Who knew how many tiny cogs and screws held these things together?!?

After taking things apart, we created robots by recycling the parts and using found materials.



Say hello to Felix the Crabby Speaker!

03D2 - Coding & Strategy Games

Proctored By: Camille Samuel

Assisted by: CIT Nick K.

This week in Coding & Strategy Games, we learned more about HTML and Javascript. We continued our creation of the "Where's Waldo?" style games using the skills learned last week. Though there are some similar commands in every coding language it's been interesting to discover that like a spoken language, coding languages have their own "slang".

In the afternoon, we tested our strategy skills by playing various games such as Othello and Blokus.



[FCS Camper-made Game: Find It!](#)
Tap on the TARDIS to score points
Optimized for a mobile browser

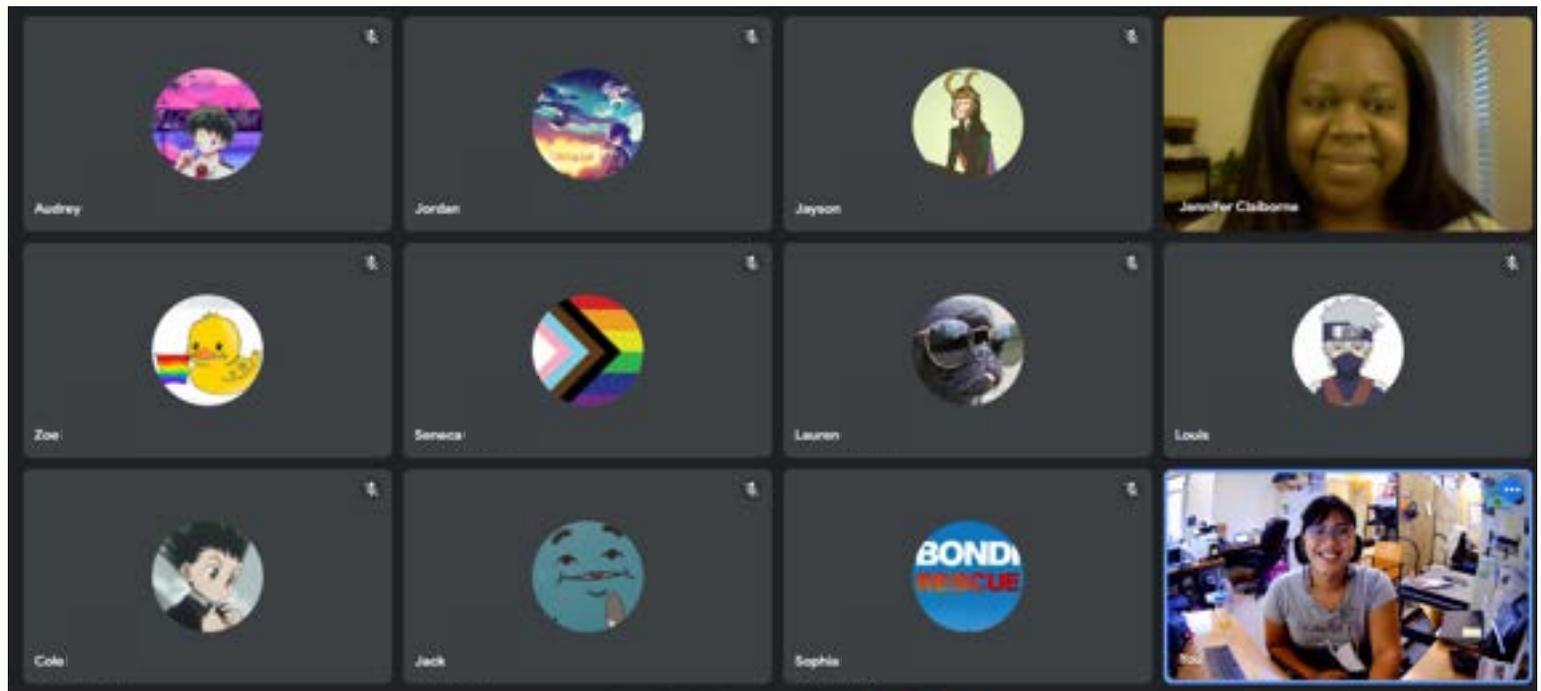
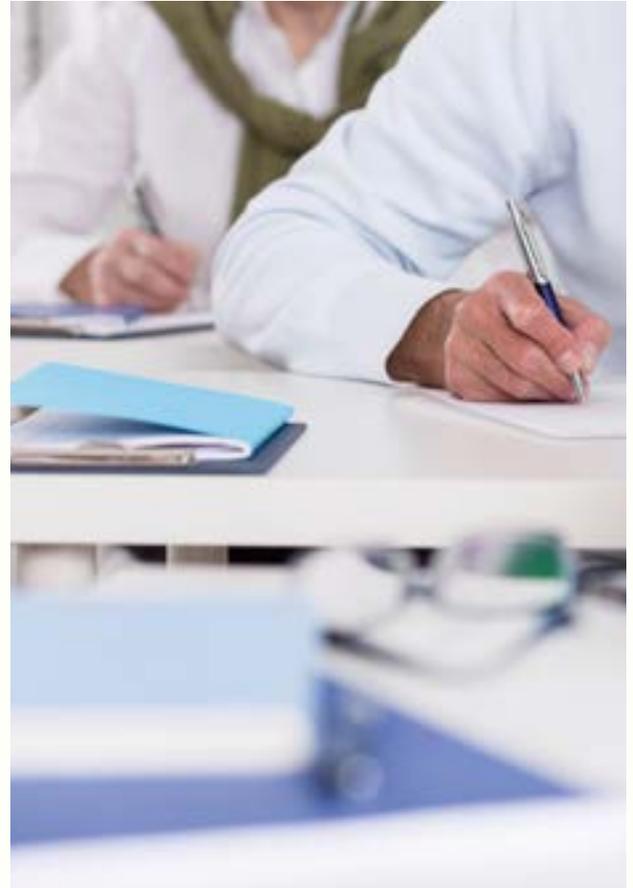
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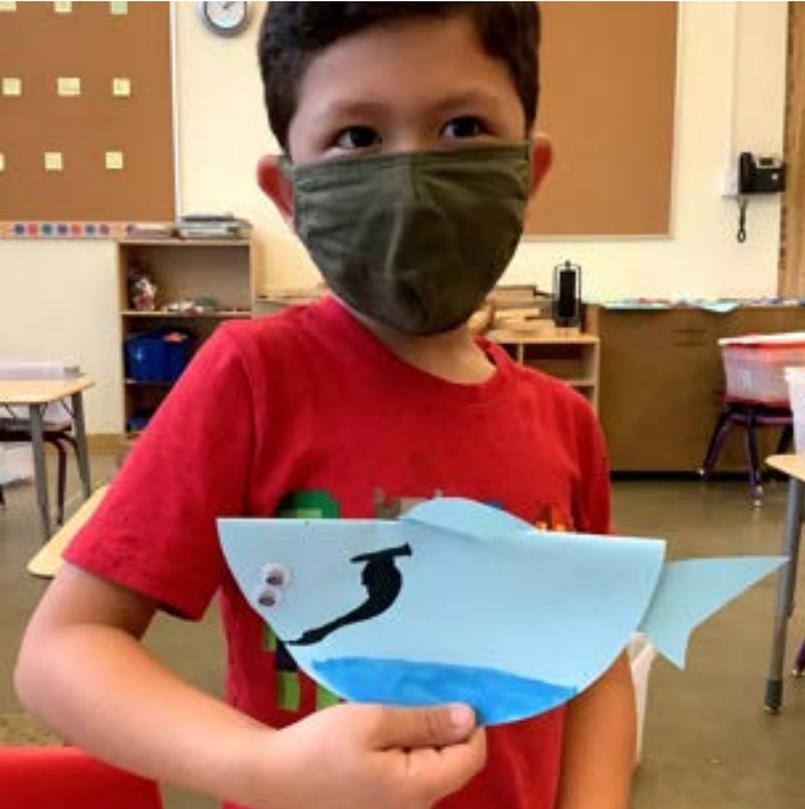
This week, we prepared to take the critical reading and writing sections of the SSAT.

During this session, we strengthened our test-taking skills by familiarizing ourselves with SSAT-type questions, developing test-taking strategies, and increasing speed. We also practiced our reading comprehension and essay writing skills doing real, timed SSAT test sections.

We learned coping skills for managing test anxiety and to increase confidence our confidence using relaxation techniques. Getting a good night's rest beforehand also helps us do our best.



Try this @Home!



Rocking Shark

You don't have to visit the ocean to have your own shark at home!

Materials needed to make your own rocking shark are light blue/grey colored paper, scissors, googly eyes, white paint, paintbrush, black marker, and a glue stick.

First, cut a circle and fold it in half. Next paint the belly using white/light blue paint. Then, add googly eyes/eye stickers. Then, cut and glue fin and tail. Finally, draw the mouth and gills with a black marker and there you have it, voila, your own rocking shark!

Green Thumbs

Want to be more eco-friendly? You can do your part by helping with the garden at home.

You can plant seeds, turn soil, pick weeds, and make sure everything is properly watered. Be sure to transplant seedlings that have gotten too big for their container; roots need room to stretch!

At dinner, you can discuss which foods are from plants and what part of the plant it is from. Composting is also a great topic to discuss because it helps the environment and decreases the amount of food waste being thrown away.



Try this @Home!



Chemistry Art!

For this project, you'll need to soak some paper towels in cabbage juice (the water leftover from boiling red cabbage). Wring out extra liquid without ripping the paper towels and lay them flat to dry.

Using a cotton swab as a brush, dip it in vinegar and draw a line on the paper towel. Use a second cotton swab to dip in a mixture of baking soda and water. Draw another line on the paper towel. Do you see the different colors? Now draw a picture using the cotton swabs. Try using lemon juice, washing detergent in water, and very soapy water for different results. How many colors you can make?

When you finish, see if you can "erase" some lines using the opposite of baking soda or vinegar. Isn't science magical?

Pool Noodle Fencing

Pool noodles aren't only used for swimming but also fencing! This activity requires two people, 8 cones and an ample amount of space.

Each person stands in a square made with 4 cones or drawn with chalk if outside. The main goal of fencing is to gently poke the other person from the shoulders-down using the pool noodle! There should be no swinging and be careful of your opponents face.

When you are ready, alert your fencing partner with "En garde!" A French term meaning, "get ready/be on guard"



Try this @Home!



Build your own PC

Ever wondered how to build your own computer? This file has everything you need to make one. All you need is a printer, scissors, and a glue stick to cut out and assemble your own PC with the most necessary components (case, motherboard, CPU, hard drive, RAM, fan, and power supply).

After printing it out, you put the pieces together like a puzzle. Some campers even decided to customize their PCs with monitors, keyboards, dedicated graphics cards, and more!

[Link to Printout](#)



Typing Practice

Typing skills are essential in today's world. Knowing how to type is important for writing but especially for coding. One wrong key and you might have to start all over.

Did you know there's a free resource for learning how to type? At [TypingClub.com](https://www.typingclub.com) you can learn the basics of typing, master using all ten fingers on the keyboard, and practice speed typing.

It's great to practice muscle memory, but it's also important to take breaks in between. Be sure to get some fresh air, eat a good meal, and spend time with your family in between your typing sessions.



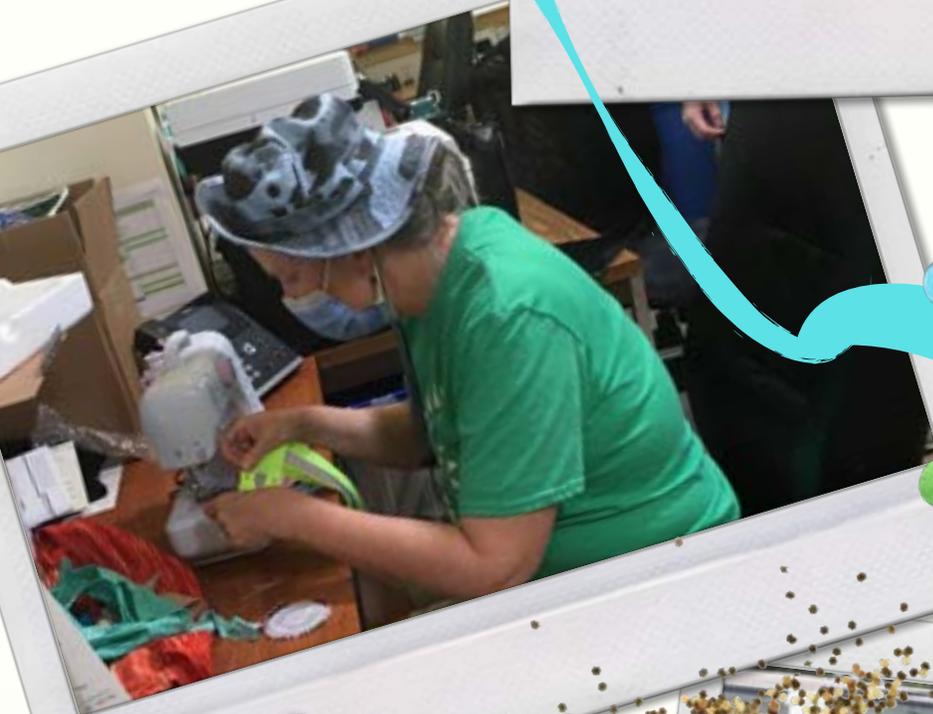


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As a Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE) Certified Green School, we place a great emphasis on educating our children on how to take care of the planet and community. To achieve this goal, we emphasize the Quaker value of Stewardship in taking care of our planet to include methods to reduce our consumption, reuse the materials that we already have, and properly recycle what we do end up using.

In May, we asked FCS families to donate reusable materials for use at our summer camps, and while some camps have already dipped into this supply for their activities, the Goin' Green: Trash to Treasures camp epitomized this value with creating breathtaking works of art to building mini compost bins. We are proud to help raise active caretakers of our planet, and encourage families to do the same at home.

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04A1 - Out of this World

Led By: Sydney Harrington

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

During this session, we ventured to outer space and examined extraterrestrial life.

Before blasting off into the exosphere, we got to make rockets and decorate them so everyone would know who we were. Once we got out of Earth's orbit, we had to equip ourselves with astronaut gear so we could learn about stars and planets.

On the last day of our excursion, we got into contact with ALIENS! We played space bingo together and made peace with them.



04B1 - Sport of the Day

Led By: Courtney Hughes

Assisted by: Mark Evans

To get moving this summer, we became athletes each day to explore different sports. We learned lots about basic game-play, rules, and, most importantly, how to be a team player.

Some of the sports we played included soccer, basketball, and volleyball. However, before playing each sport, we prioritized warming up and stretching.

We also made sure to drink plenty of water to stay hydrated in the heat!



04B2 - Let's Travel: Our World

Led By: Johari Frazier

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

This week, we traveled the seven continents and leapt from country to country to learn about different traditions and cultures around the globe.

We sailed upon boats, road in cars, trains, buses, and flew on planes, to go around the world. In each destination, we visited popular tourist attractions, learned regional games, and discovered new music and instruments.

We also discussed activities that kids do in other countries and how their cultures might be different or similar to ones we have at home. We loved it!



04C1 - Goin' Green: Trash to Treasure

Led By: Sandra Haw

Assisted by: Lauren Hill & CIT Idris M.

Exercising our green thumb, we explored the great outdoors to learn about preserving our beautiful planet.

Using our knowledge in reducing, reusing, and recycling, we were able to make our own compost. We also created lots of art using discarded objects like recycled plastic and paper towel rolls to make colorful sculptures.



04C2 - Filmmaking for Beginners

Led By: Jennie Claiborne

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo & CIT Reese L.

Entering the creative world of moving pictures, we became familiar with the necessary equipment, explored editing software, such as WeVideo, and told stories through pictures.

We learned the basics of photography so we could do experiment with stop-motion animation. Some production teams focused on themes, while one group really went wild and made 10 short films!

On Friday we held our own film festival where we watched everyone's movies.

[Check some of them out here!](#)



04D2 - Coding & Strategy Games

Proctored By: Taylor Washington

This week in Coding & Strategy Games, campers attended a coding class via Zoom with a coding professional to learn how to create a mobile app game of their own design.

When we weren't busy coding, we did a variety of new activities that catered to our interests. We did all kinds of things like making slime and folding origami. We also played some intense sessions of Othello and Guess Who?





04F1 - Counselors in Training

Led By: Van Nguyen & Danielle Probst Rich

Ever wonder what the CITs do when not helping out in various camps?

Each week, Van introduces the CIT's to the camp experience by outlining the expectations using the same materials and guides that the official staff uses. One of the biggest benefits is that the program is a safety net for learning new skills on the job!

They also talked about resume basics and help the CITs fill out a resume builder to start piecing together any experiences we might have done and technical skills that we've accomplished into a resume format. Additionally, we looked at different resume structures and the most important information needed on our resumes.

Finally, Danielle and the CIT's took a deeper dive into resumes and interviews. We examined resumes and job descriptions in their many forms. This exercise helped us discern how to think about the stories resumes our tell potential employers. We also looked at job listings to explore typical job duties and what the expectations of the employer might be. We then conducted mock interviews with each other to practice what we learned.



Make sure you stop by our showcase window to see some of what campers have created over the weeks!

Try this @Home!



Make Me an Astronaut!

Start with a picture of an astronaut, you can draw it or print it out. Decorate the space suit with anything you have on hand: markers, crayons, glitter glue, etc., but make sure you leave the visor clear! Once your spacesuit is decorated and dried, choose your favorite picture of your face, cut it to match the visor shape, and tape or glue it to your spacesuit- that's it!

Bonus: Try turning yourself into an alien in a UFO, the cow jumping over the moon, or any other extraterrestrial being you can imagine. Will it be friends with your astronaut? Share the story with family and friends!

At Home Olympics

As you're sitting at home watching the Summer 2021 Olympics, think of how fun it'd be to have your own at home!

All you would need is a clear space, balls, cones, water, and tons of energy. If you want to include a medal ceremony, use some tin foil, string, and markers to create a first, second, and third medal.

Activities like relay races, dodgeball, balloon pop, or a bike race would be great to include in your Olympic Games. Including your family and friends would make it even more fun, you could even win a medal!



Try this @Home!



Map it Out!

Maps help us understand and know how to get where we're going. We are usually familiar with using maps as a way to help us navigate different places.

A great example of a map is one that represents your community or even your home. With your child, create a map that represents your house or neighborhood. Be sure to include labels and descriptive illustrations depending on what you choose to represent.

Happy navigating!

DIY Compost

Composting is a great way to reduce food waste. Here's how to make your own!

Use a small sandwich bag with a zipper top and add in your food items. These items could include vegetables and egg cartons. You'd want your compost to be about 60% egg carton and 40% food waste. Chop everything super small to speed up the process; with a parent's help of course.

Zip the top and put in a small straw for air. Then, add about two tablespoons of water to make everything soft.

Finally, mush the mixture a little bit every day and add water when needed. Remember to be patient. In a few weeks you'll have gorgeous, rich compost!



Try this @Home!



Stop Motion Dinner

Want to make a super cool video?

All the materials you need are a cell phone or tablet to take pictures, some props, and actors. Using software, like the *Stop Motion Pro App*, you can put clips together to create a stop motion animated movie.

Snap photos as your parent chops vegetables. Or, you can snap photos before, during, and after your meal. Then, play it back to watch your food disappear!

Once you have completed your movie, why not share it with friends and family?

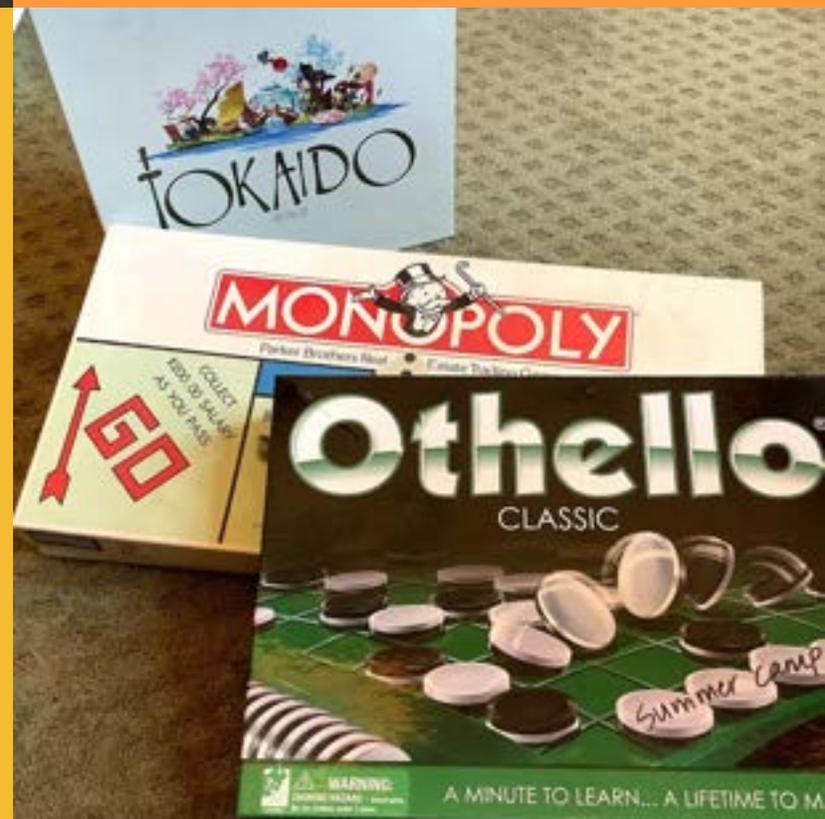
Game Theory

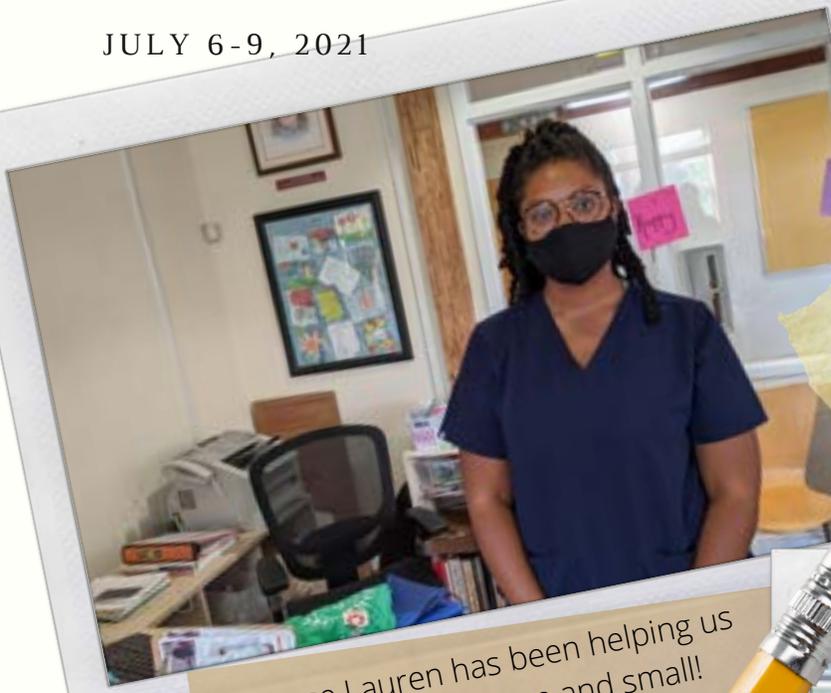
Every game has a set of rules, but did you know that you can use game theory to test those rules and predict or direct the results? Game theory is used by game designers to create excitement and direct the players moves.

An example of this is the Prisoner's Dilemma which is featured in nearly every TV cop show where two suspects are questioned by the police. Both prisoners are offered the same deal. Now each has to make a choice to either cooperate with the police or rat out the other. A limited number of outcomes are possible.

Using game theory you can experiment by considering the variables as to which prisoner will betray the other.

Check out this [2-minute video](#) which explains the Prisoner's Dilemma in more depth.



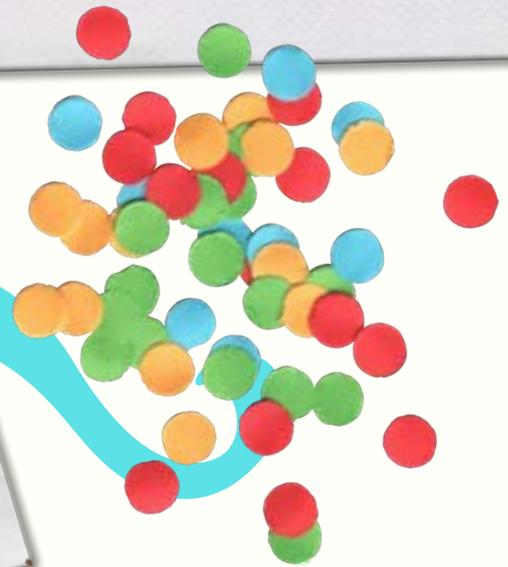
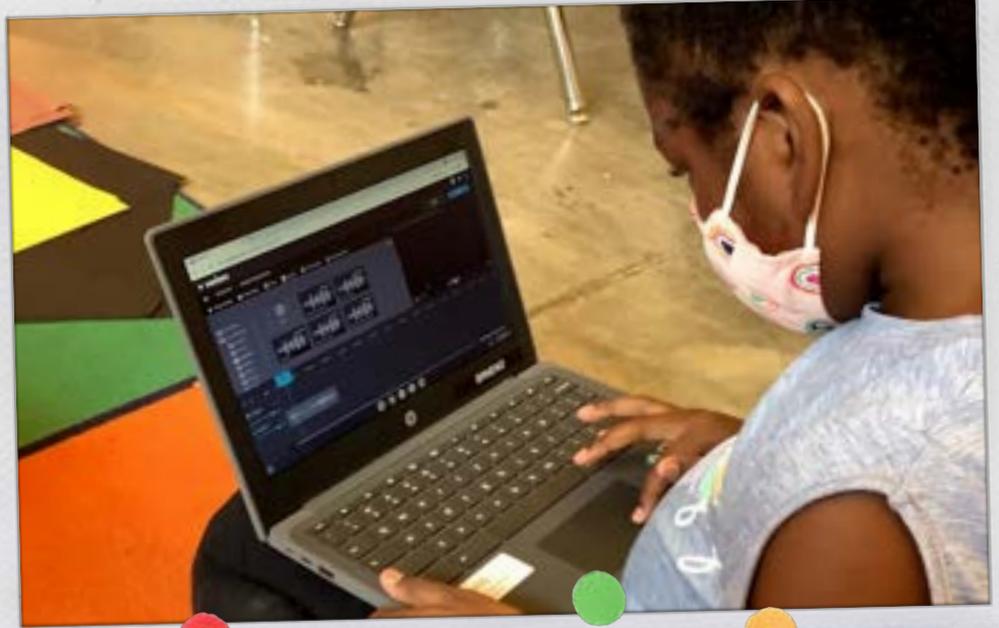


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See you next week!

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From the Desk of the Director

"The Mission of Friends Community School is to nurture young people to be lifelong learners..."
Excerpt from the FCS Mission Statement

One of the things I love about working in our school community is that we encourage everyone including children and staff members in our community to be lifelong learners.

Behind the scenes, our summer camp office is always on the move, and whenever there is a learning opportunity, it has become customary to ask others, "Do you want to learn how to do this?"

Our vision for camp to be a fun and engaging experience is not limited to our children. By having engaged staff members willing to learn new things each and every day, we hope to pass on that curiosity and joy to our campers as well.

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New
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week!



05A1 - Little Explorers: Dino Fun

Led By: Franny Ashcraft

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

This week, the Little Explorers travelled all way the back in time to when dinosaurs ruled the earth.

We learned about all sorts of dinosaur fossils, eggs, and even made our own dinosaur puppets. Since there are so many, we focused on specific dinosaurs like Tyrannosaurus Rex, Stegosaurus and Triceratops.

05B1 - Bug Eyed Fun

Led By: Sandra Haw

Assisted by: Alex Andrews

Using our magnifying glasses, we observed loads of insects in nature, photographs, and books to learn about their anatomy and habitats.

Using our newly acquired scientific knowledge and our imaginations we constructed our very own 3-dimensional insects. We painted a big mural with ladybugs, cicadas, and spiders.

We learned how important insects are to our ecosystem, even if sometimes they "bug" us, we are learning to respect them for the part they play in our world.



05B2 - Elephant & Piggie

Led By: Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by: Lauren Hill

"Hey, Gerald."

"What is it, Piggie?"

"We're in a newsletter!"

Written and illustrated by Mo Willems, campers explored the adventures of Piggie and Gerald through movement, props, and arts and crafts.

We read lots of Elephant & Piggie stories, made puppets, and created our own Piggie headbands.



05C1 - Agility Adventures

Led By: Courtney Hughes

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

Jumping into action this week, campers utilized obstacles, puzzles, and physical training to overcome one-of-a-kind obstacle courses on our playground.

Making sure we drank lots of water, we sprinted, played games, and tested our skills in the FCS multi-purpose room if it was too hot outdoors.



05C2 - Sewing & Fiber Arts

Led By: Johari Frazier

Assisted by: Taylor Washington

Weaving through the week, we started by learning the basics of hand sewing; how to thread a needle and how to stitch.



With this newfound knowledge, we created our own pillows, bags, and stuffed animals. We got to see some handmade historical clothing, stage costumes designed with texture, and had practice using a real sewing machine to understand the basics of clothing production

05D2 - 3D Printing & Design

Led By: Jazlyn Olivera

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo

This week, campers were introduced to 3D printing and the software used to create filament designs.

First we practiced fashioning 3D shapes with pipe cleaners and clay. Then we worked with 3D printing pens to replicate our earlier basic shapes. From there we moved on to more complicated designs using Tinkercad. We got to observe the Makerbot in action while it printed our chosen creations. It even made cool robot sounds while it was printing!

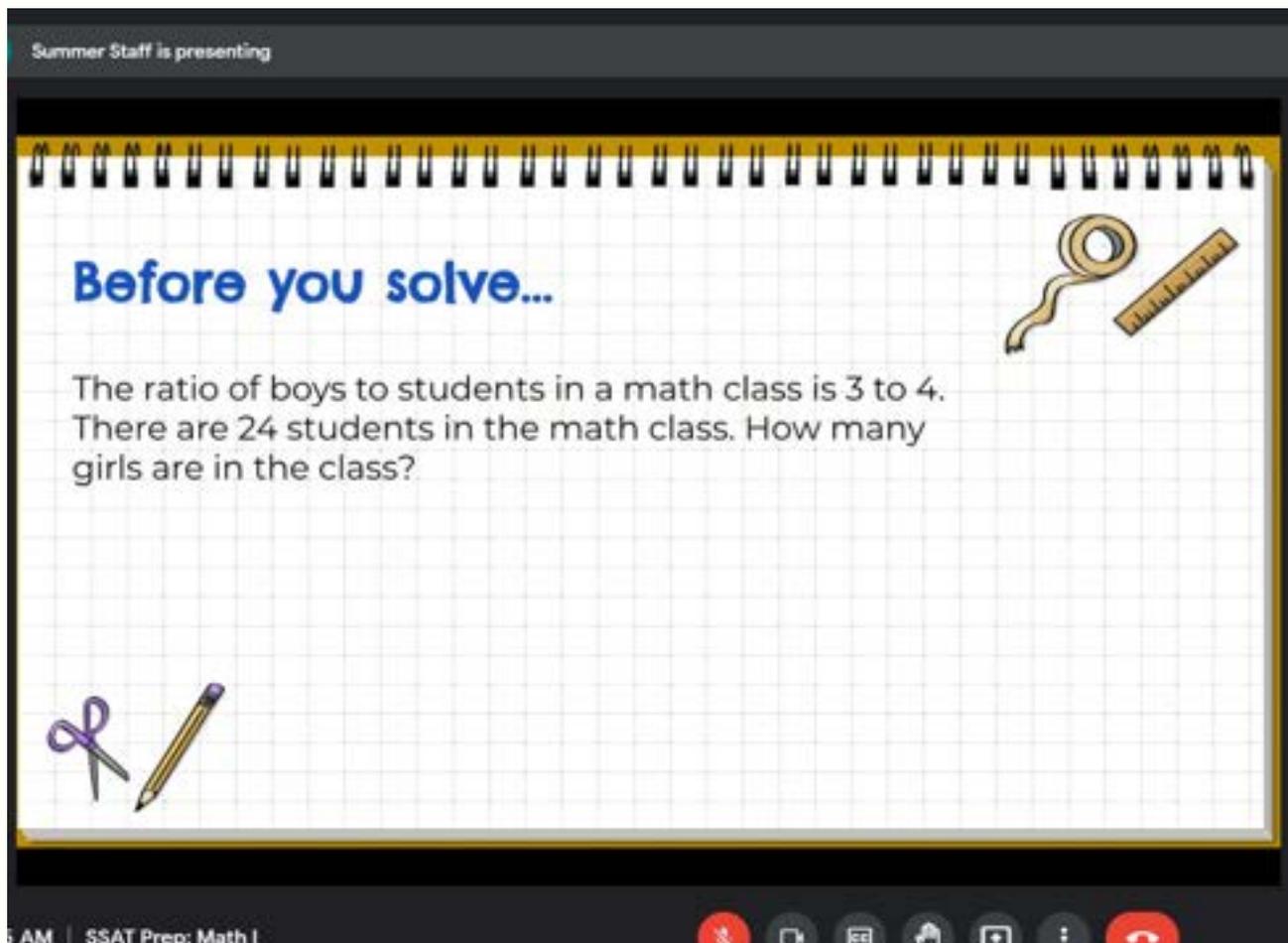
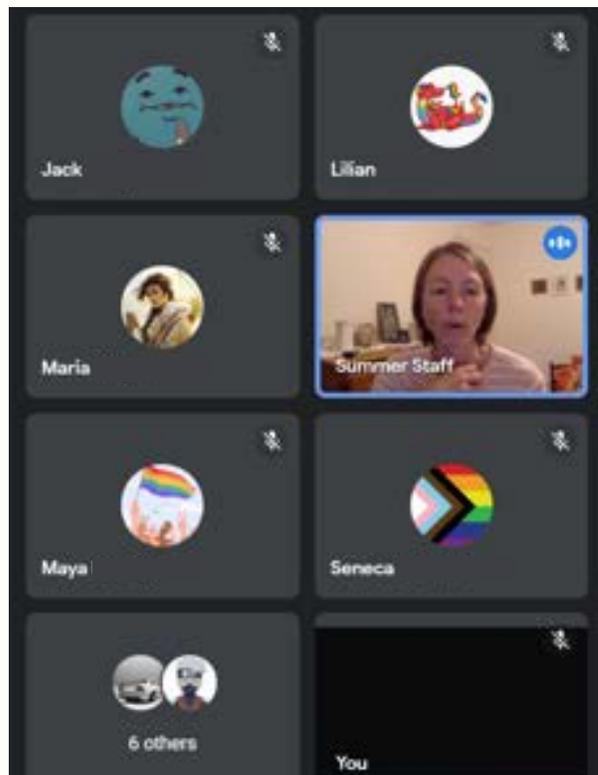


05DV - SSAT Prep: Math I

Led By: Christie Ray

Using a variety of interactive learning websites, like PearDeck and Desmos, students reviewed strategies and SSAT type questions to familiarize themselves with the math exam.

We also learned about the importance of pacing ourselves and optimizing our time to do our best.



Try this @Home!



Fossil Fun!

This week, the Little Explorers learned all about fossils and how they are made. Using your knowledge of prehistoric bones, you can use materials found outside to create your own fossils!

Press rocks, leaves, or twigs into some clay. After letting the clay dry for at least a week, paint your fossils.

You now have a little piece of Dino camp fun forever!

The Bug Motel

It's great to use things from your local environment as you are looking to attract bugs, beetles, and insects to observe.

All you need are sticks, a large plastic bottle to make two cylinders, twine, pine cones, bark, and anything else you can find. Decide on a location and add the twine to hang it if you'd like. Stuff the cylinders with your sticks and pine cones and make sure it's nice and full so it won't blow away.

Now you have your Bug Motel. Enjoy!



Try this @Home!



Elephant & Piggie Reading

Is your child a beginning reader? Elephant & Piggie books are a great way to get them started.

After your child has the book read to them several times, they can pick a character and read that character's part. It's totally okay if they aren't reading word for word, but are sounding like the character.

Balancing Act

You can practice walking on a balance beam without even leaving your house!

The only materials you need are a sidewalk and some chalk.

Draw yourself a wide rectangle on the sidewalk and try to balance on that line. Once, you've got the hang of it, challenge yourself by drawing a thinner rectangle to balance on.

Try to go as thin as you can and challenge your friends to do the same. Want to make it tougher? Hop instead of walk!



Try this @Home!



Stuffed Buddies

A simple needle and thread can produce so many useful and fun things. Once you learn how to thread a needle and stitch, the possibilities are endless!

Try creating a "stuffed buddy" with your child at home. Draw an outline of an animal or person on two pieces of fabric or felt. Stitch it together, stuff it, and now you have a basic shape. Use markers or leftover fabric to make clothing, eyes, and other attachments to your buddy.

At Home 3D Art

You don't need your own 3D printer at home to create. You can get it mailed to you!

At home, you can make your own 3D models using Tinkercad software designed for beginners and modelers of all ages. You can then go to a local makerspace to print out your design!

You can even showcase your designs with a 3D art gallery!



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Sheldon helps us with our technology needs!

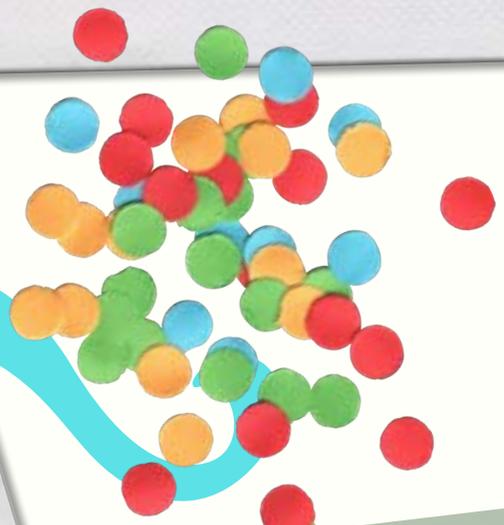
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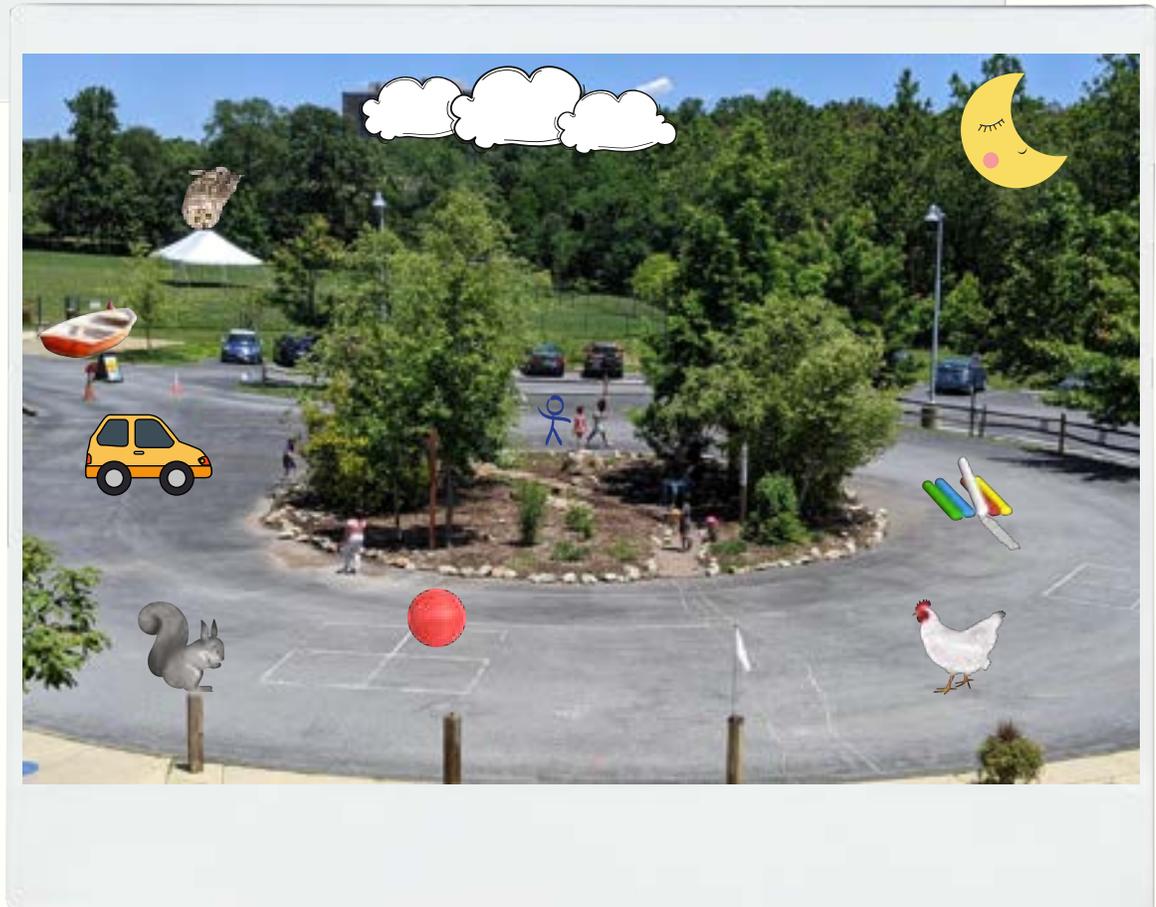
Sneak peep at our new keet (baby guineafowl) friends

Our Support Staff this week:

- Nyila Johnson
- Kim Lugo
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Spot the Difference!



Session 05 Word Search

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B	V	F	O	S	S	I	L	B	U	G	V

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → and ↓ .

AGILITY
BUG
CAMP
DESIGN
DINO
FABRIC

FOSSIL
GERALD
INSECT
MATH
OBSTACLE
PIGGIE

SCRIBBLER
SEWING

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See you next week!

- 06A1 - Under the Stars
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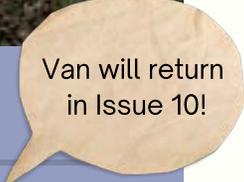
Words from the Camp Manager

I'd been a substitute teacher here at FCS for quite a few years, and while I taught sessions of summer camp prior to the pandemic, I certainly never expected I'd be managing it.

What has surprised me is that I rely most day to day on my experience working in Hollywood.

The film industry taught me so much about people and logistics. (There's truly no business like it.) Planning for the unexpected, thinking on one's feet, being flexible, keeping a cool head, and maintaining a sense of humor are all valuable and transferrable skills. While I did get to cuddle a baby orangutan on set once, I never wrangled a chipmunk until FCS Summer Camp! Each week there's always something new to learn.

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06A1 - Under the Stars

Led By: Sydney Harrington

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

We jumped into the stars this week by exploring the constellations and making our own star guides.

Learning how to look at the stars was super helpful when creating our own star mobiles with paint, glitter, and beads.

We made our own stars to draw with by recycling old crayons.

06B1 - Nature Explorers

Led By: Maria Galeano

Assisted by: Lauren Hill

This week, we trekked through beautiful hills, climbed slopes, and explored wildlife that lives in between the trees around the FCS campus.

Learning more about our environment, we did some introductory crafts to become familiar with the nature around us. We made habitats out of rocks and sticks for various wildlife.

We even got to gather insects to help feed the baby guinea fowl (keets) who have just moved onto campus.



06B2 - Food & Art: Baking

Led By: Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

Using the power of math and science, we measured and mixed ingredients to create healthy baked goods.

We tried different combinations of our recipe ingredients to see which ones worked best. We learned that too much/not enough of an ingredient can change the consistency of our final product when a batch of our cookies came out as a thin gooey mess!



06C1 - Archery & Wilderness Skills

Led By: Mark Evans

Assisted by: Alex Andrews

Keeping our eyes on the target, we safely became proficient in bow turning, arrow maintenance, self-analysis, troubleshooting, and archery etiquette.

We also learned first-hand survival skills that involved outdoor cooking, pitching a tent, tying knots, and reading a map. These activities educated and prepared us for unexpected situations while in the wild.



06C2 - Shark Tank

Led By: Gillian Rosenzweig-Stein
Assisted by: Han Pham

Have you ever wanted to create an invention while also getting the support of investors? In our camp, we learned about some of the most famous inventions throughout history.

Making an invention takes time and resources, including a rare sneak peek into the teacher camp supply room. This was where we were able to choose our own materials and develop a product of our own.

Finally, we had the opportunity to design and create our own inventions and pitch them to a panel of "investors".

06D1 - Theatre Arts Camp

Led By: Courtney Hughes
Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo and CIT Reese

Can a group of middle schoolers write and produce a musical about the eternal struggle between vampires and humans in just one week? We sure did!

During this session, we developed our skills in stage presence, improvisation, scene work, and what it takes to be an actor.

We were introduced to different scenes and characters each day to exercise our acting skills and make the characters come to life!

Check out our movie here!
<https://youtu.be/tk0tN6F1IJ0>



06D2 - Robotics

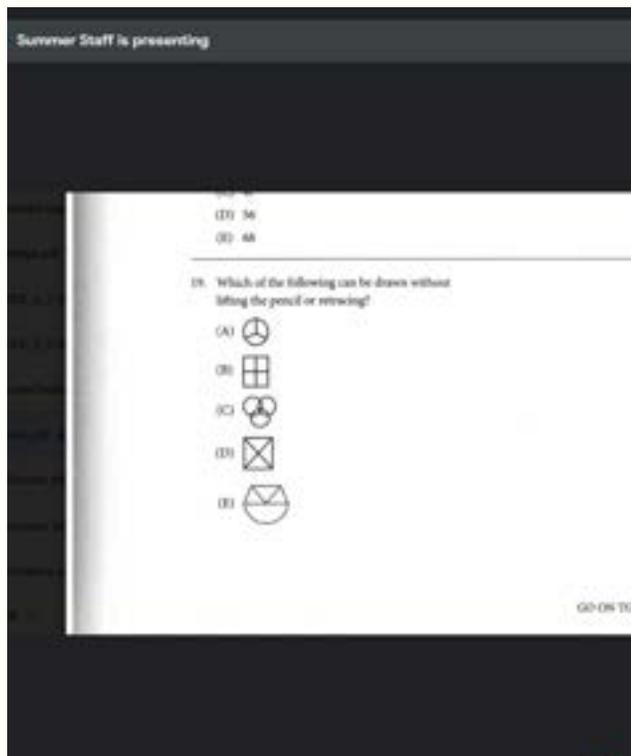
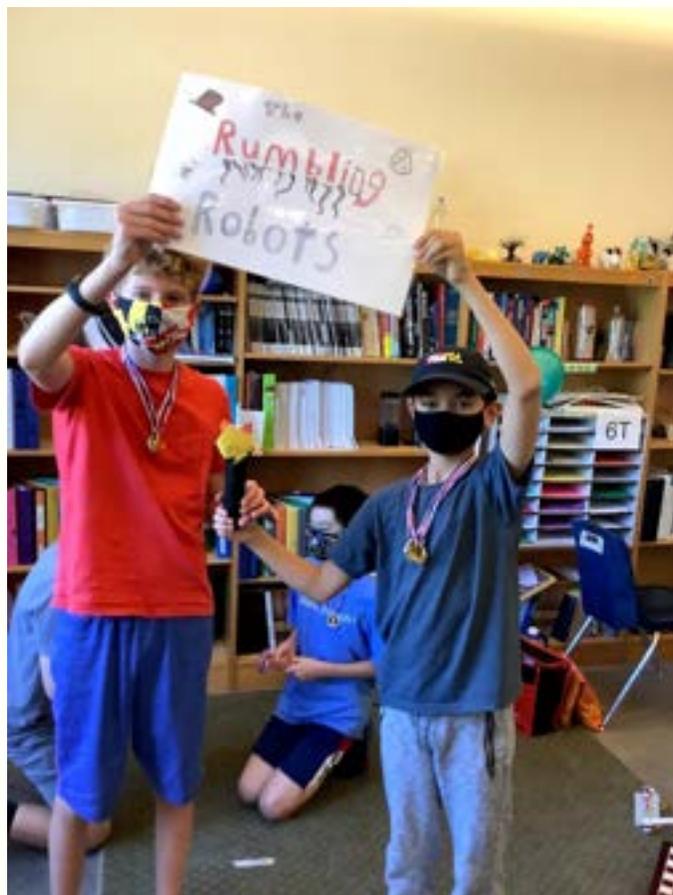
Led By: Camille Samuels

Assisted by: Taylor Washington

Robotics is not only fun but is an ever growing field of careers for the future.

Using robotics kits and coding, we worked on a variety of interactive games, robot development and construction, solving design challenges along the way. While safely working in teams, we learned about the mechanics of robot movement.

In tandem to the Opening of the delayed 2020 Games in Japan on Friday, we held a Robot Olympics. Medals were won, torches were carried and we closed with a Parade of Competitors through Olympic Village.



06DV - SSAT Prep: Math II

Led By: Christie Ray

In this week's session of SSAT Prep, we prepared for the geometry, measurement, and algebra sections of the test.

Reviewing applicable math concepts through games, tasks, and individualized lessons, we became even more familiar with the math section and learned tools to improve how we study.

Try this @Home!



DIY Constellations

Our night sky is filled with amazing connect-the-dot pictures that we can make at home! All you need is some black construction paper, a white or yellow crayon, star stickers, and a picture of your favorite constellation.

Use your stickers or crayon to mark where the stars are on your construction paper. Then, connect the stars with your white crayon. You can even try your hand at drawing the constellation animals! Have fun!

Layered Artwork

You can easily create your favorite nature scenery with some construction paper, glue, and scissors.

Starting with the very back of the scene, cut out your sun and glue it onto a blank sheet of paper. Then, cut some triangles into your black construction paper and glue them onto the sun without fully covering it.

Continue this same process with the rest of your nature scene and you'll have a perfectly layered piece of artwork



Try this @Home!



Baking With The Senses

Baking is a great way to learn about colors and shapes.

You use all five senses while you bake. So, at home, discuss how things look, feel, smell, sound, and taste.

Following a recipe enables young bakers to follow directions and use their reading skills. It also teaches measurements and fractions!

Backyard Camping

Want to go camping in the comfort of your own home? Have a backyard camp night!

This activity would be best to do in the summertime because of the warm nights. Gather your family and work together to pitch the tent and set up your sleeping bags.

You all can play games, make smores, tell stories, or go on a night walk in your neighborhood!



Try this @Home!



Creating a Prototype

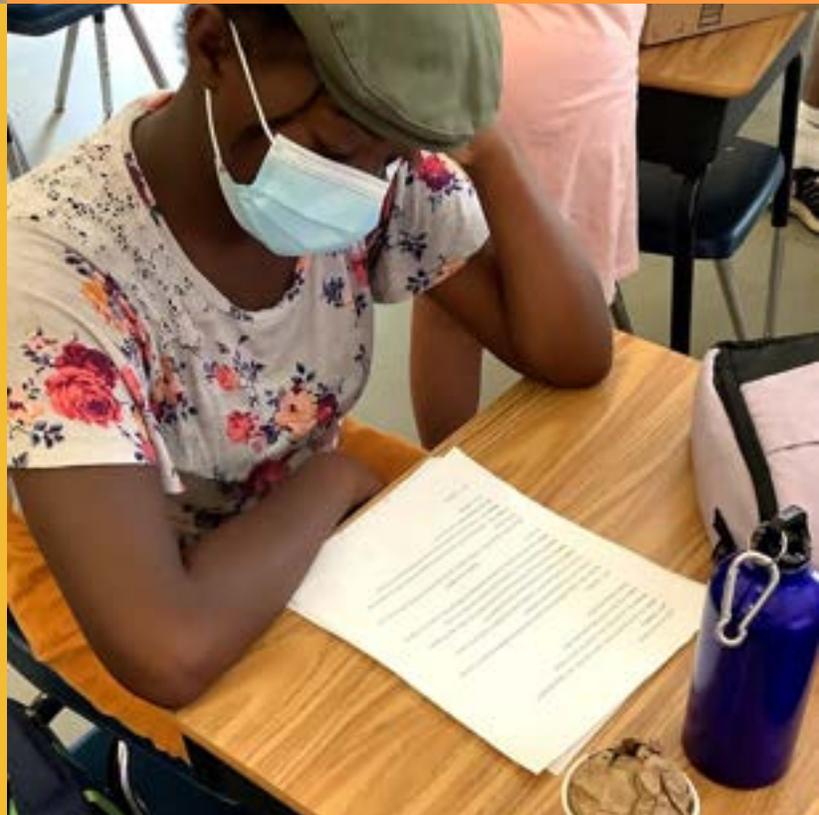
When it comes to designing their own product, kids should first create a prototype. Your child should draw what they anticipate their final product looking like. Recyclables, construction paper and glue make excellent materials to work with. Encourage your kids to try and replicate their designs as best they can. Prototyping is like a three dimensional sketch and things may change in the final product. What materials did they end up using? Does it look how they imagined? What can be changed?

Monologue Madness

A monologue is a long speech given by a character as a part of a play or film.

At home, choose a character that you'd would like to portray. When writing your monologue, be sure to take your audience on a journey while also using words that are clear and easy to understand.

When your monologue is completed, show it to your family. You could also create an entire play with your friends that includes the monologue you created.



Try this @Home!



DIY Olympics

You don't need to be an elite athlete to hold your own olympiad. Gather some friends and plan for some simple feats of strength like how fast you can run, how far you can throw a ball, or how many hoops you can shoot against the clock.

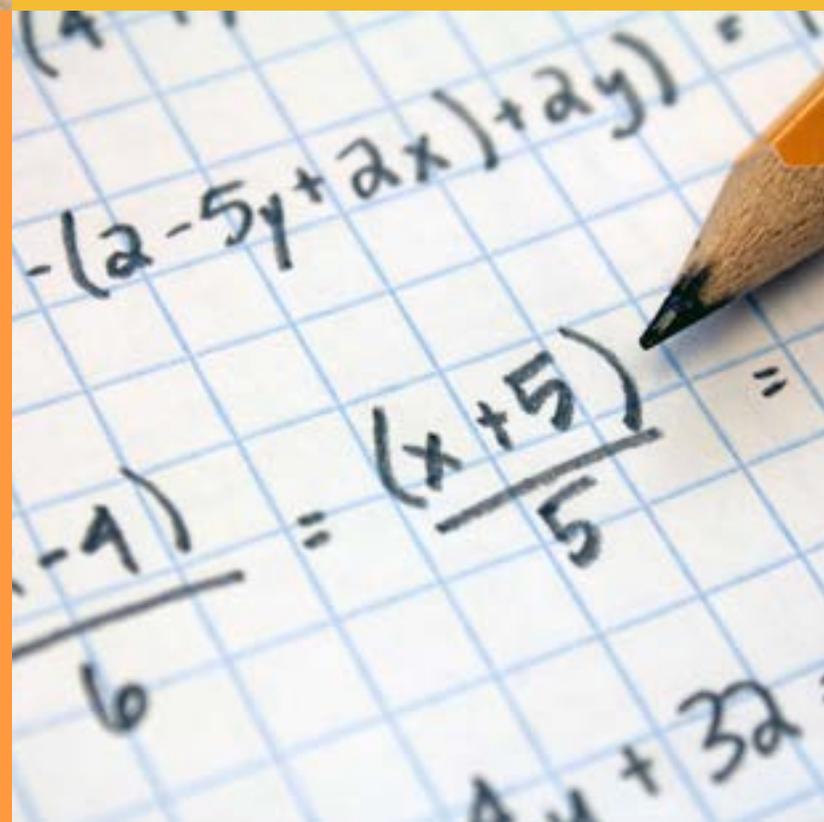
To add to the international spirit, create some Olympic rings, color flags from different countries and hand out home-made medals of ribbon and tinfoil. The Olympics are a fun group activity where you are only limited by your imagination so why not get creative and enjoy some friendly competition?

Math Flashcards

As you prepare for the math section of the SSAT, it's best to study a little bit every day.

Making flashcards is one of the most effective ways to memorize vocabulary, equations, and formulas. Just write down a question on one side of the card, and the answer on the opposite.

Place the cards all around your house. When you find one, try to answer the question. If you're unsure of the answer, take a look back at your notes. Once you've mastered a card, keep it in a pile until you have gathered them all. Then test yourself again. Remember that consistent studying brings results.



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SESSION 06



Our floating staff takes care of things behind the scenes!

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- Nyila Johnson
- Kim Lugo
- Jazlyn Olivera
- Crystal Robinson

Spot the Difference!



Session 06 Word Search

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Words are hidden → and ↓ .

ARROW
BINOCULARS
FRACTION
HIKING
INVENTION

INVESTMENT
MIXING
OVEN
ROBOT
STARS

TELESCOPE
TENT

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07A1 - Jungle Jam

07B1 - Agility Adventures

07B2 - The Art of the City

07C1 - Sport of the Day

07C2 - Magic & Wizardry

07D1 - Summer Blossoms

07DV - Model UN



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From the Desk of the Manager

As colleagues, Van and I wear or share many hats at Summer Camp (though I'm known to sport a tiara or cowboy hat on occasion). I'm grateful to have co-workers who all have a stake in the same goal: maintain an upbeat and safe workplace for each other and especially for our camper friends.

This summer, I've also joined with Van on the Counselor in Training (CIT) program. Together we coach teen campers in resume building and navigating job search and workplace landscapes. We also encourage self-advocacy, anticipating needs and being proactive.

To paraphrase William Penn, we aspire to "advise justly, assist readily, take in all patiently and defend courageously".

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07A1- Jungle Jam

Led By: Julia Park

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

Swinging into the week, the Little Explorers ventured through the jungle while learning about all the animals that call it home.

Some of the animals we explored included snakes, chameleons, tigers, and crocodiles. They created toilet paper tube binoculars to view the jungle creatures and toucan bird sculptures made from paper plates.

07B1- Agility Adventures

Led By: Courtney Hughes

Assisted by: Alex Andrews

Using their super ninja skills, campers jumped, climbed, and sprinted. They utilized obstacles, puzzles, and physical training to beat the clock.

With the heat of the summer, everyone made it a priority to have plenty of water and snack breaks in between our fun.

We did so many activities! We did relay races, sang songs, danced, and played lots of outdoor games.



07B2- The Art of the City

Led By: Johari Frazier

Assisted by: Lauren Hill

Using a variety of art media, campers were introduced to the concept of a city, what it might include and how it could be made better for everyone.

They learned about different types of architecture, created plans and tested ideas. Using those designs, our city planners fashioned 3D models of cities - from skyscrapers to peaceful coastal towns.



07C1- Sport of the Day

Led By: Gillian Rosenzweig-Stein

Assisted by: Mark Evans

The 2021 Olympic Games are inspiring campers to get active too. By playing classic games like Capture the Flag and learning lesser-known ones like Kabaddi and Coneball, muscles were worked and points were scored. The kids had a fun but sweaty time, followed up by plenty of hydration to keep up their peak performance.



07C2- Magic and Wizardry

Led By: Sydney Harrington

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

Campers crafted wands, fairy jars, and created snow globes of the Lantern Waste to immerse themselves into a magical world of wizardry. Ancient mythology and contemporary fiction were the inspirations behind Hogwarts, Narnia, Artemis Fowl, filled with spell-binding mystery, magic and incredible beasts. Enchantment took over as dragons and elves captivated imaginations.

07D1- Summer Blossoms

Led By: Maria Galeano

Assisted by: Taylor Washington

This week, Summer Blossoms learned about keeping ecosystems healthy while also having fun. They also contributed to the beauty of the FCS campus with helping to design and plant a new garden next to the FCS sports field.

Holes were dug and new plants set into them. Fresh, rich compost and some fertilizer ensured strong roots. Finally a deep watering gave a fresh, green start to the refurbishment of the Westchester Little Free Library area which FCS supports.



07DV- Model UN

Led By: Jacob Tuthill

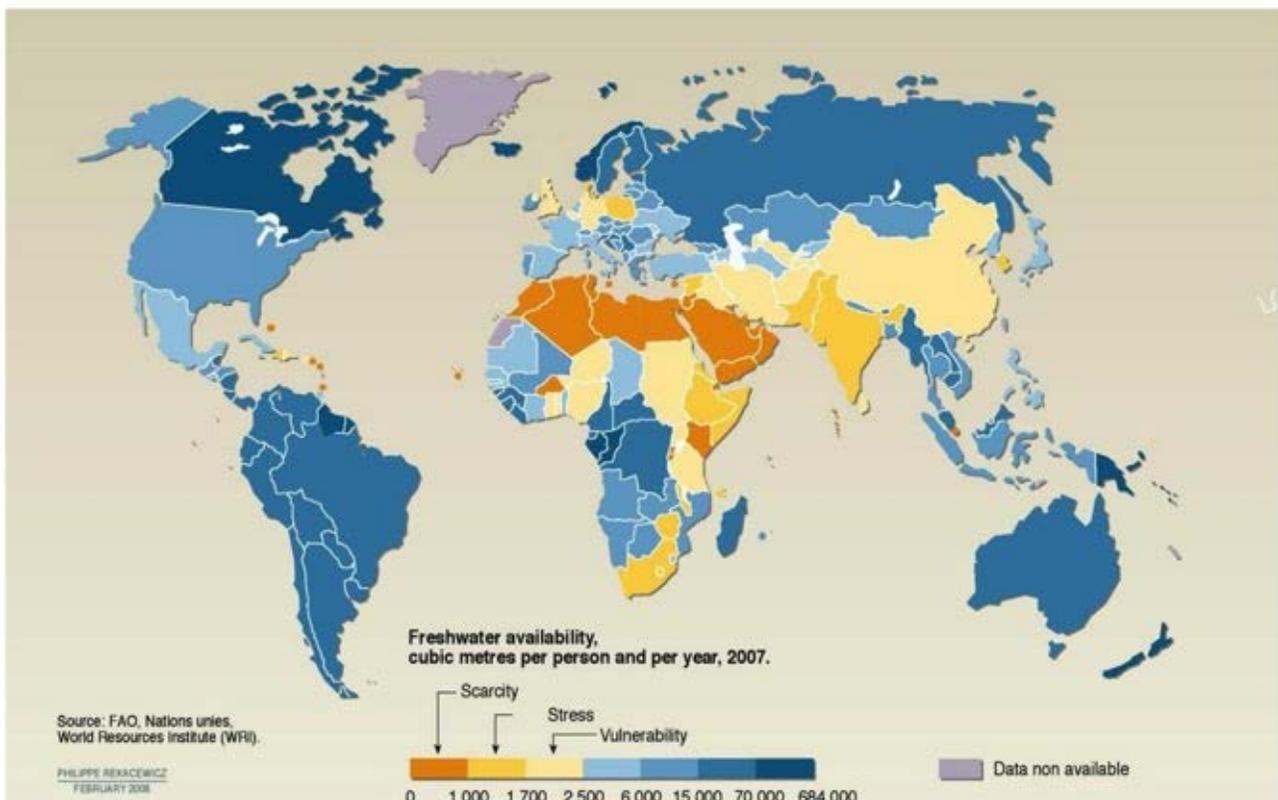
The Model United Nations (UN) camp taught campers about how General Assembly meetings are conducted, who attends, and what topics are discussed.

In our meetings, we introduced a problem, engaged in debate, practiced negotiation, wrote our resolutions, and voted.

Though conducted virtually, campers engaged in lively discussion about access to freshwater resources, primary education, and the economics of globalization.



By country, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Indonesia, and Russia together have half the world's supply of freshwater; northern Africa and the Middle East are the water-poorest.



Try this @Home!



Binoculars for Beginners

You can make your own binoculars to observe animals from home!

All you need is 2 toilet paper tubes, markers, stickers, string, tape or glue, and a hole puncher.

Decorate the tubes using paint or markers and, with a parent's help, punch a hole into each tube. Then, loop the string through each hole to create a neck strap. Be sure it's long enough before you tie it. Finally, glue or tape the 2 tubes together and you'll be ready to observe the world through your awesome binoculars.

Playground Parkour

Want to become the ultimate ninja in your neighborhood? Head over to your local playground.

Before you start, take a look around the play structure to see which elements you want to include in your obstacle course. That way, you have an idea of where you want to start and finish.

Make sure to have someone time you and go for it! Try and beat your personal record or compete with your friends.



Try this @Home!



City Life

You can build a beautiful city. As artist, architect and designer of your dream city, it can be filled with all sorts of useful and creative spaces.

Create a make believe scenario or story to fit with the ideas you have for your city. Who will live there? How will they get around? Where will they get their food? How will they access nature? By coming up with answers to these questions, you'll soon have an entire plan for your dream city. Build and enjoy!

Olympic Games Watch Party

The 2021 Olympic Games are here and fans are ready to take part in the quadrennial summer fun.

While watching the games at home with your friends and family, explore which events you'd want to try or think you'd be good at. Be sure to take notes on players, techniques, and form. Could you devote the time needed to play at your highest level? With practice, you may become an Olympian yourself one day!



Try this @Home!



Wizard Wands

Believe it or not, you can create your own magic wand at home.

All you need is a stick or wooden dowel, paint, and any other decorations such as ribbons, gems, twine. Using a hot glue gun with help from an adult will keep your fingers safe, help glue on decorations and build up texture for some special lumps and bumps.

Creatively decorating your wand will make it completely unique and magical especially for you.

DIY Suncatchers

Suncatchers are designed to hang from anywhere and capture or direct light in a beautiful way. Making one is a fun way to perk up your garden or bring some additional light into a window.

You will need 10 gauge copper wire, wire cutters, jewelry making pliers, transparent glass or stones, and a pencil.

Start off by wrapping your rock with the wire making sure it's tight enough to stay put in a decorative way. Wrap any excess wire around the pencil to make a beautiful spiral. Once you have the desired length, tie a string to the end of the wire and hang it up where you wish.



Try this @Home!



UN Solutions

Interested in the topics discussed during the United Nations meetings?

Researching and following up on current discussions is a great way to stay in the loop. You can learn more by watching the live stream of the General Assembly (GA) debates via the UN's webcast. (insert link)

Could you come up with a possible solution to an issue? Maybe one day you might find yourself addressing the GA as teenager Greta Thunberg did recently.

Slithering Snakes

Bring some wildlife into your home with a super cool reptile craft.

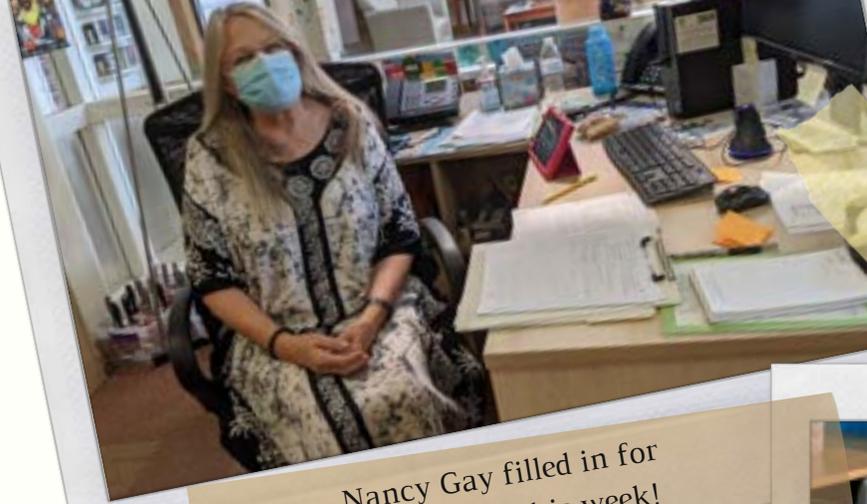
The materials include a paper plate, scissors, and markers. With the help of a parent, cut the paper plate into a spiral. This will be the body of the snake. You can draw exotic patterns and shapes with markers to decorate your snake. You can even include stickers!

Draw a face for your snake and you're all set. Have fun slithering!



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Nancy Gay filled in for Magdalena this week!

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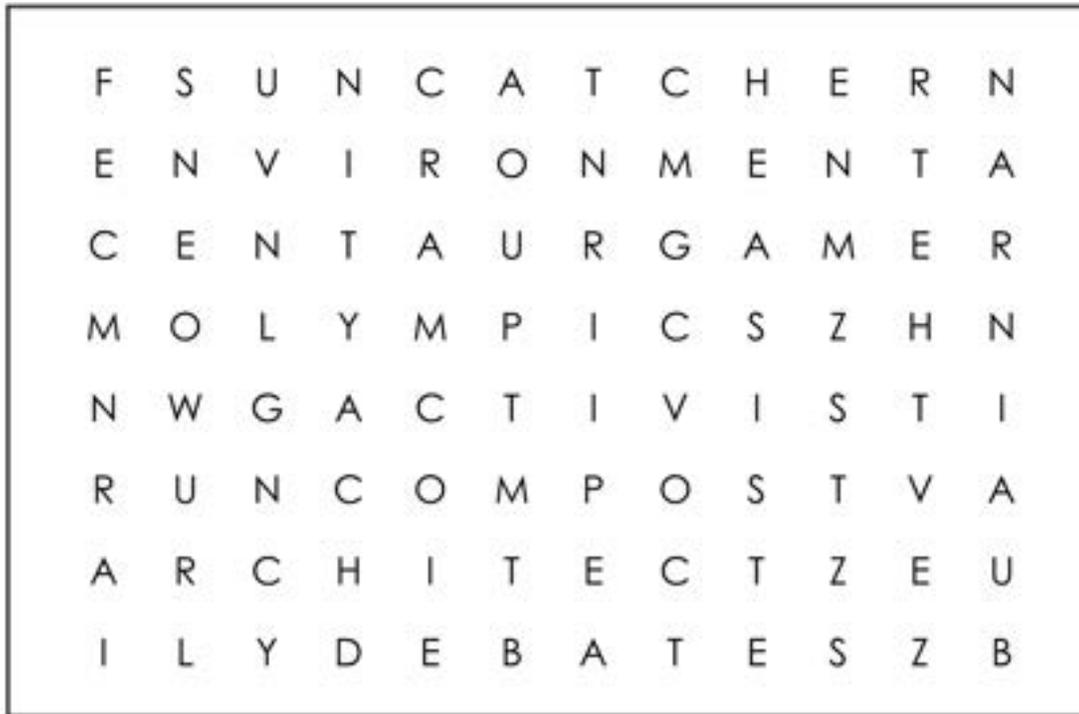
Our Support Staff this week:

- Kim Lugo
- Crystal Robinson
- Nicholas Lugo
- Nyila Johnson

Spot the Difference!



Session 07 Word Search



Find the following words in the puzzle.
 Words are hidden → and ↓ .

ACTIVIST

ARCHITECT

CENTAUR

COMPOST

DEBATE

ENVIRONMENT

GAME

NARNIA

OLYMPICS

RUN

SUNCATCHER

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See you next week!

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- 08B2 - Junior Engineers
- 08C1 - Agility Adventures
- 08C2 - Food & Art: Baking
- 08C3 - Rising 3/4
- 08D1 - Ultimate Frisbee



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From the Camp Manager

Say hello, wave goodbye. This song lyric is in my head frequently these days. The arrivals and departures of our campers reveal to me micro moments of joy. I feel the love when I see a child stop to kiss their parent on the cheek just one more time before leaving them behind. As lanky teens step from cars into their own world, a mix of melancholy and pride crosses a parent's face. I am touched by the times when kids must wave goodbye to parents through tears of separation.

The privilege of watching children grow by overcoming their fears of the unknown has been incredibly rewarding for me. These fleeting moments are the simple gifts of my daily life at FCS and I cherish them.

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08A1 - Rainbow Catchers

Led By: Julia Park

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

This week, we explored all the colors of the rainbow by conducting experiments and creating lots of cool rainbow art! We learned about rainbows in nature through read alouds and explored rainbows in art.

We encouraged everybody to take risks and be expressive. Our projects included rainbow collages, tissue paper art, salt painting, and some good and messy shaving cream fun.

08B1-Summer Blossoms

Led By: Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by: Kim Lugo

This week, we explored the beauty of nature around us by engaging in activities with the flowers and plants that we can find in our own backyards.

From creating seed bombs to learning about the life cycles of plants and pollinators, to planting seeds of our own we discovered how to take care of and nurture the earth.



08B2- Junior Engineers

Led By: Margaret Strohecker
Assisted by: Taylor Washington
and CIT Idris

By working together and problem-solving, we worked out engineering challenges based on a daily theme. We sharpened our problem-solving skills to find the best solutions. We designed the strongest aluminum foil boat and built the tallest cup tower. We build cars and windmills and had very exciting races on our custom marble runs.

Different materials such as popsicle sticks, pipe cleaners, recycled materials, and marbles built our structures. By week's end we were new inventors and architects.



08C1 - Agility Adventures

Led By: Jazlyn Olivera
and Sydney Harrington
Assisted by: Alex Andrews and CIT Justin

This week we improved our mobility, balance, and focus by completing uniquely challenging obstacle courses. These obstacle courses had us complete all different tasks such as climbing, hula hooping, and balancing on the tight rope.

We polished our skills with physical training exercises on the playground, and we had a lot of fun trying to beat the clock, even scoring some personal bests.



08C2 - Food & Art: Baking

Led By: Danielle Martin

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

Baking is a tasty dance between science and art. We learned how to carefully measure ingredients and create healthy baked goods. We experimented with different recipes and observed how they affected the final product. We made a variety of treats like cookies and macarons. In the afternoons, we studied the relationship between art and food by investigating popular art. We used this time as inspiration to create our very own food art!



Check out our recipe book from this week!

08C3 - Rising 3/4 Graders

Led By: Tess Callahan

Assisted by: Han Pham and CIT Reese

As we begin to get ready for school this fall, we worked on developing our reading skills, writing mechanics, and number sense while also growing our passion for learning.

We practiced comprehension, strategy and problem-solving skills. We also did fun drills in addition, subtraction, estimation of numbers 1-100, number-grouping, and multiplication. We're ready to start our new school year!



08D1 - Ultimate Frisbee

Led By: Crystal Robinson

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo

This week we learned good sportsmanship, conflict-resolution and how to officiate our games. We got some important practice in teamwork on the field which we can incorporate our daily lives. The ultimate frisbee scrimmages were really fun and we got a lot of practice on our throws.

We engaged in different frisbee games such as Disc Golf, KanJam, and learned more about how tournaments are organized. Every day, through teamwork play and we got a chance to reflect on the Quaker values of integrity and community.



Try this @Home!



Make your own Rainbow Fan

After it rains and the sun comes out, if the light is right you can see a beautiful rainbow fill the sky. You can re-create a rainbow at home with this fun and easy craft!

To create our Rainbow Fan, gather a popsicle stick, a paper plate, glue/tape, and markers. Cut the paper plate in half to represent the curve of a rainbow, decorate the halved plate fan with different colors and glue the popsicle stick to the back of the plate to create your fan. Now you can stay cool and spread joy the rest of this summer!

Building with packing peanuts

Did you know that packing peanuts used for mailing can also be used to build cool structures? Try this fun craft at home with these recyclable materials!

For this activity you will need a bowl of water to dip the packing peanut in and then you can stack packing peanuts together, combining them to make creative structures. You can also use markers to color the structures to make your creation a colorful masterpiece!



Try this @Home!



Flower Pressing

Make beautiful cards by using natural resources easily found outdoors.

For this activity, you will need flowers or other small plants, a blank card, white school glue and a heavy book for pressing. Gather a few plants in any grassy area you have permission to be in. Don't take flowers from someone's garden without asking if it's okay first! Once you've found a few items you like best, glue your plant material onto the blank card.

Next, place the card in between some pages of a heavy book. Wait a few days for the glue to dry and your flowers will be pressed onto the card.

Animal Obstacle Course

This obstacle course is unique, because the trick is to go move through the course as though you were different animals.

In what ways can you can move your body like different animals? Can you gallop, crabwalk or slither? Divide up a large room, a playground or your backyard into different stations. You must move like the animals you have chosen from station to station. Why not add some sound to your movement with making those animal sounds?

You are sure to exercise your imagination as well as your muscles while having as much fun as a barrel of monkeys



Try this @Home!



Frisbee Fun

Who knew that a simple pie tin from Mrs. Frisbee's bakery would inspire a sport played around the world? Tossing a disc around is not only a great way to get exercise, but can be played with as few as two people or as many as you like.

Gather some friends or family together and make your own rules. Passing the frisbee in different ways like doing a dance move as you catch it. Toss high or low, or behind your back. It's a great chance to get creative and move your body.

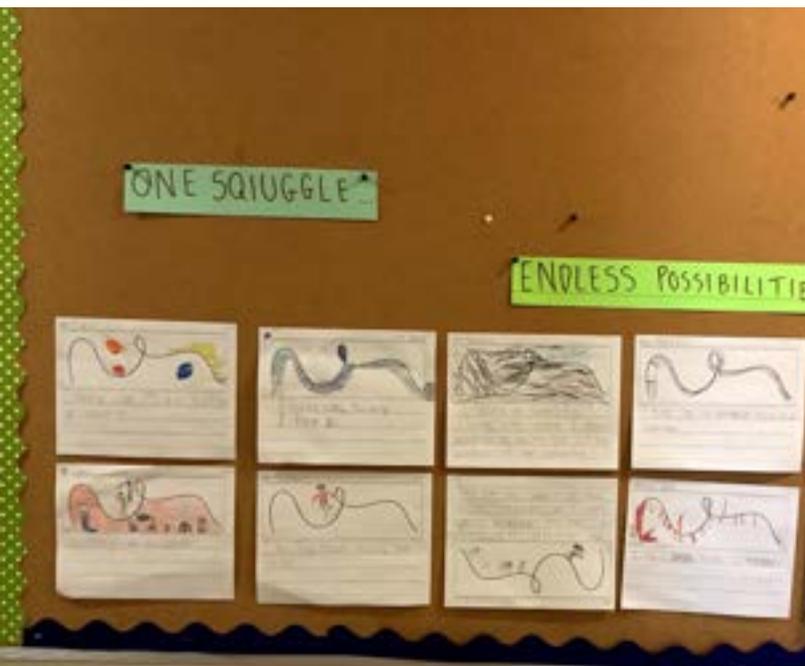
Art & Cookies

Love baking and art? Adding some extra flair into your fresh dough is a great way to sprinkle some creativity to your baking!

Use forks, tooth picks, spoons or your hands to manipulate or shape your dough before putting it the oven. What a surprise you'll have when it bakes up!



Try this @Home!



One Squiggle Activity

The "One Squiggle Activity" is a great prompt for creative thinking to inspire both drawing and story telling.

Take a piece of paper and draw a large "Squiggle" leaving space below it. Based on how the squiggle inspires you, illustrate a picture and then write a little bit about your picture in the space below it. Will your story be inspired by rollercoasters or a snake? You can choose your own squiggle based adventure by letting your imagination loose.

Rainbow Blower

Create a beautiful rainbow blower that you can use when the wind blows outside or use to decorate a window as the sun will catch the colorful streamers.

For this craft, you will need a toilet paper roll, different colored tissue paper to represent the colors of the rainbow, glue and blue construction paper to represent our blue sky.

Decorate the toilet paper roll with blue paper, markers or paint. Draw clouds on the paper to represent the sky. Glue your streamers to the bottom of the roll and see your rainbow appear.



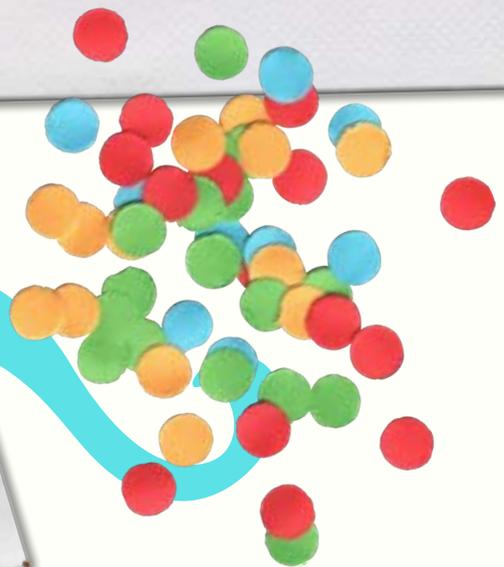


Tess is an FCS 3/4 Teacher helping to get our Rising 3/4 campers ready for the school year!

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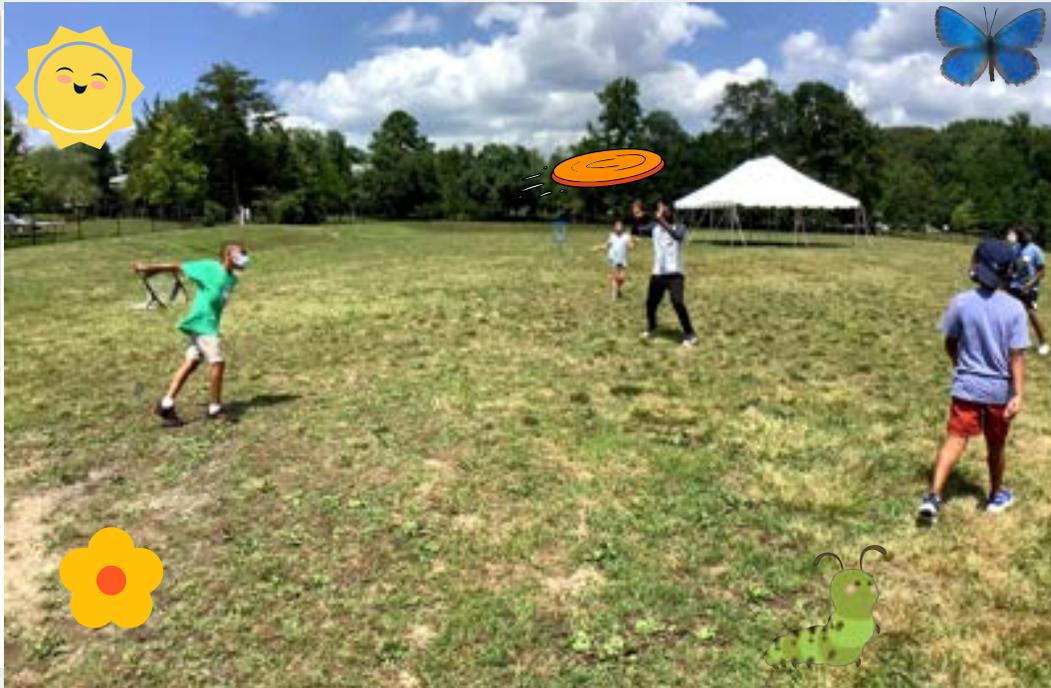




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Session 08 Word Search

A	F	B	U	I	L	D	G	O	L	F	K
G	P	T	E	A	C	H	E	R	D	F	S
I	S	C	T	F	L	O	U	R	I	C	T
L	U	W	E	E	D	I	N	G	S	S	I
I	G	B	R	E	A	D	Q	M	C	I	C
T	A	Y	E	N	G	I	N	E	E	R	K
Y	R	H	I	R	A	I	N	B	O	W	S
Q	D	U	O	B	S	T	A	C	L	E	P

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → and ↓ .

AGILITY
BREAD
BUILD
DISC
ENGINEER

FCS
FLOUR
GOLF
OBSTACLE
RAINBOW

STICKS
SUGAR
TEACHER
WEEDING

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See you next week!

09A1 - Build it!

09B1 - Sport of the Day

09B2 - The Science of Color

09B3 - Rising 1/2 Graders

09C1 - Joyful Musical Creation

09C2 - Puppy Love

09D2 - Vineyard App Camp Coding
& Strategy Games



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From the Desk of the Manager

Where did the time go? As we start thinking about our last week of camp and all the preparation we do to restore the building for the academic year it's hard to not feel a little nostalgic.

It's been great to have some of our campers here week after week and get to know them better. I really enjoy sitting in on classes when I can, watching the kids run free, and finally nail that basket in the multipurpose room.

I'm going to miss coaching our CIT's on their resumes and interview techniques yet know they are gaining skills they'll use at some point moving forward. Camp has lifted me after a year of isolation and stretched me in ways I never expected. Thanks for being here, friends.

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09A1 - Build It!

Led By: Franny Ashcraft

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden
& CIT Idris

This week we learned what it means to be an engineer. We worked on projects with pipe cleaners, popsicle sticks, playdough, and other building materials.

Engineering requires lots of creativity and problem-solving skills. We had to overcome various challenges to construct their own towers, bridges, and even boats.

09B1 - Sport of the Day

Led By: Crystal Robinson

Assisted by: Alex Andrews

We learned about and played a different sport every day. In the mornings, we worked on sports-related crafts based on the day's theme. Then we learned game rules, practiced drills, and ran scrimmages.

It was really hot this week, so we spent a lot of time in the Multipurpose room playing team games and even made our own team obstacle courses for our friends to try out!



09B2 - The Science of Color

Led By: Sydney Harrington

Assisted by: Lauren Hill

What is color? In this week's Science of Color camp, we found out! We investigated color from both a scientific and an artistic perspective, learning about how our eyes see color, the color wheel, and how mixing paint or light can create new colors.

With our new understanding, we created our own works of art inspired by Van Gogh, Georges Seurat, and the Impressionists.



09B3 - Rising 1/2

Led By: Tess Ross Callahan

Assisted by: Hayley Craig

We spent our week getting ready for first and second grade. We had Shared Reading sessions, practiced our writing skills, played math games, and honed our collaborative problem-solving abilities.

Amidst all of our academic work, we found time to have fun and build relationships by playing games and running through the sprinkler on hot afternoons.



09C1 - Joyful Musical Creation

Led By: Jacob Tuthill

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

This week in Joyful Musical Creation,. We created our own homemade instruments, we learned how to create rhythms and melodies, and we build our ensemble skills by practicing together and focusing our listening.

We jammed, improvised, and practiced all week, culminating in our final performance on Friday.

09C2 - Puppy Love

Led By: Maria Galeano

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo

It was all about animals and animal care this week in Puppy Love. We adopted stuffed animals and learned everything about how to be a responsible pet owners.

Together we studied the needs of different kinds of pets, made pet toys and treats, and practiced giving our pets the right kind of food, exercise, entertainment, and environment to be healthy and happy. It takes a lot of work to care for an animal, but the reward is their love, which comes back to us.



09D2 - Vineyard App Camp Coding & Strategy Games

Proctored By: Han Pham

With Zoom lessons from a coding professional and our love of video games, we designed, coded, and released our very own mobile games this week!

In addition, we practiced our coding independently, played strategy games, solved puzzles and riddles, and used our problem-solving skills to strategize in a variety of game situations.



Try this @Home!



Watts Towers

The Watts Towers are a fascinating folk art installation in Los Angeles built entirely by Simon Rodia and decorated with mosaics made of found objects. You can create your own version at home.

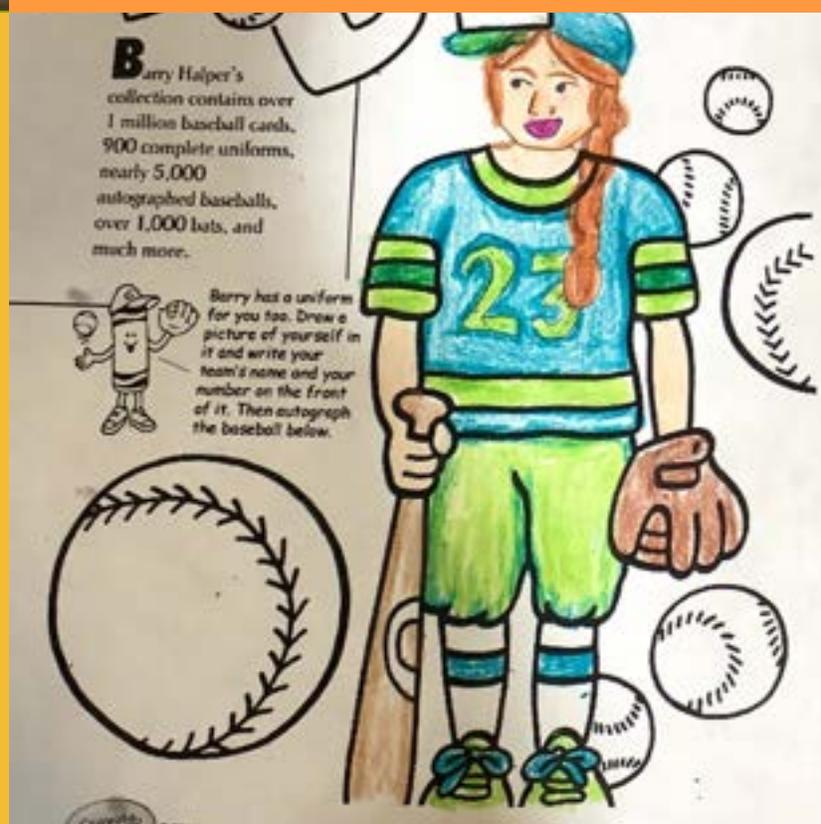
Using cardboard with 3-5 holes pre-punched, feed a pipe cleaner through each hole. Secure the pipe cleaner at the bottom using tape. Now string beads or charms onto the pipe cleaners to create a colorful tower. Once completed, you can bend and shape the pipe cleaners into shapes or keep them straight up to create your own version of this well known Los Angeles landmark.

Create a Sports Self-Portrait

Envision yourself as a baseball player! Print out the linked coloring sheet and add your face to the picture.

Color in the uniform with your team colors and logo. Don't forget to include your number!

[Link to Coloring Page](#)



Try this @Home!



Custom Instruments

Expensive equipment isn't needed to make music. Recycled items are wonderful materials to work with. To make maracas, fill a clean container (we've used red solo cups in our photo) with small materials like beans, beads, rice, or gravel. Experiment with different sizes, shapes, and substances to get a sound you really like.

Tape a lid or cardboard over the top of your container, attach handles, and you're ready to shake and rattle your own unique rhythm!

Homemade Dog Biscuits

Next time you want to give your dog a treat, try making these simple wholesome biscuits yourself instead of buying them.

This easy recipe includes just flour, water, and eggs with optional dog-friendly add-ins of mashed banana, sweet potato, pumpkin puree, or nut butter.



[Check out the dog biscuit recipe here!](#)



Try this @Home!



Games Without Screens

Even in our screen-based, high-tech Coding Camp, we remember to engage our social side and give our brains a break by taking time to connect with our friends face-to-face to play old fashioned board games.

Plan your next board game break with oldies-but-goodies like our campers playing Stratego here, or new classics like Ticket to Ride, Apple-to-Apples, or Bananagrams.

Raising Pets

In the Puppy Love camp, they covered not just dogs and cats, but other kinds of pets as well! One of the first things we've learned about being a pet owner is to be responsible for their health and well-being as a long-term commitment.

Our guinea fowl keets become adults after about 6 weeks after hatching. Pretty soon, they'll be able to leave the coop and eat up the ticks in our backyard! In return, we will provide a safe home for them and give them additional food to make sure that they're healthy and happy.



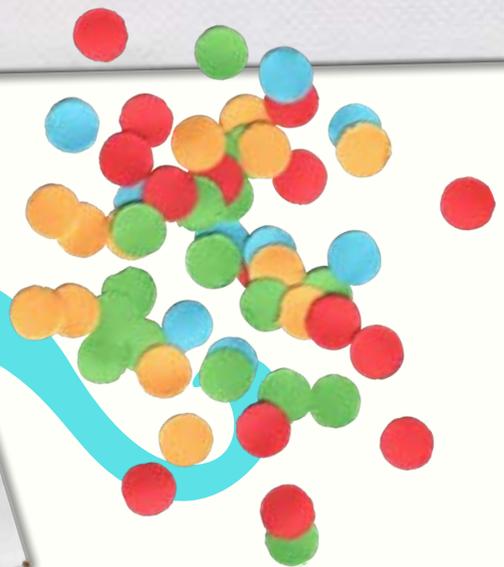


Did you know that Megan designed our camp logo?

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- Hayley Craig
- Julian Craig
- Kim Lugo
- Samantha McKay

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Session 09 Word Search

Q	J	B	U	I	L	D	M	V	T	R	B
G	A	M	E	S	C	I	E	N	C	E	L
F	C	M	A	C	O	L	O	R	Y	F	O
S	P	O	R	T	P	U	P	P	Y	H	C
C	S	P	R	I	N	K	L	E	R	X	K
A	P	E	T	S	J	M	A	T	H	V	S
Y	M	X	E	X	C	O	D	I	N	G	H
I	N	S	T	R	U	M	E	N	T	Y	H

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → and ↓ .

BLOCKS
BUILD
CODING
COLOR
GAMES

INSTRUMENT
MATH
PETS
PUPPY
SCIENCE

SPORT
SPRINKLER

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See you next week!

10A1 - Shipwrecked!

10B1 - Prehistoric Adventures

10B2 - The World of Eric Carle

10B3 - Rising K

10C1 - Summer Blossoms

10C2 - Escape Rooms & Puzzles



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Dear Camp Families,

We are proud to have completed our inaugural summer as FCS Camp Administrators with everyone in our community this year.

This summer was not without its challenges, but they made the camp experience all the more incredible and rewarding. I cannot express enough that our camp could not have been made possible without the extensive support from our teachers, assistant counselors, school administrators, health professionals, campers, and you!

We entered the summer hopeful and mindful of planning for the unexpected. We thank you for your understanding, flexibility, and willingness to learn and do new things.

Our goal since day one was to provide a space where kids can be kids safely and healthily.

We believe that we've achieved that goal and beyond. Thank you for a great summer and we will see you next year!

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10A1 - Shipwrecked!

Led by: Lindsay Bearden

Assisted by: Taylor Washington

Little Explorers spent this week as sailors of the seven seas. We learned about sailors and got to do plenty of nautical-themed crafts like popsicle stick flags, spoon pirates, and telescopes.

The highlight this week was turning FCS into FCS Island for a real-life treasure hunt! Our pirate friends got the chance to explore the school while searching for clues to find a map that led them to a real hidden treasure!

10B1 - Prehistoric Adventures

Led by: Crystal Robinson

Assisted by: Julian Craig

We took a look into the world of prehistoric dinosaurs. We learned about fossil discovery and the process of piecing together prehistoric clues.

We had to dig for puzzle pieces and then decide which puzzle it belonged to so that we could put it together. We also made lots of great art featuring our favorite dinosaurs. Some of our projects included drawings, fossils, and excavating our very own dinosaur eggs!



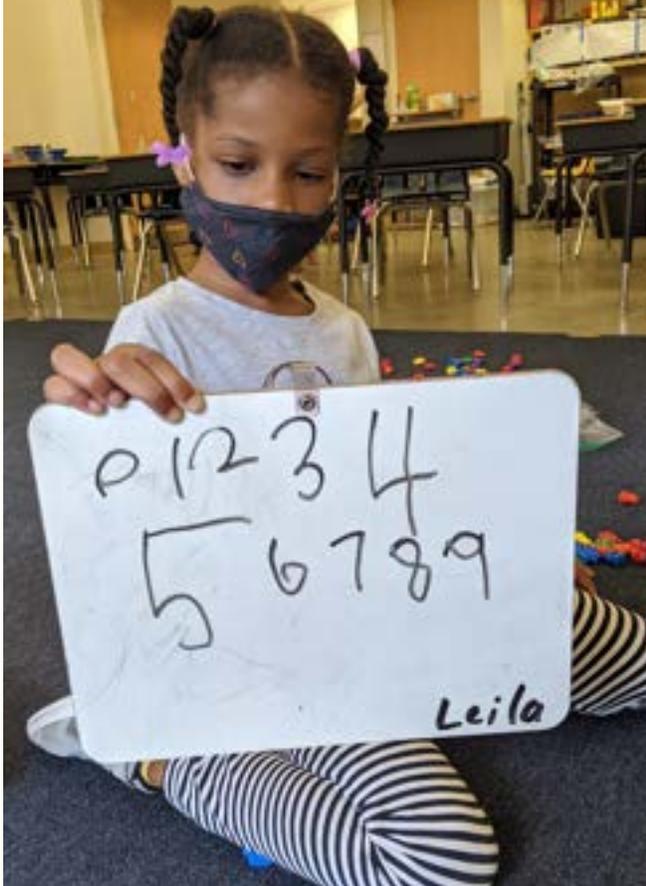
10B2 - The World of Eric Carle

Led by: Franny Ashcraft

Assisted by: Hayley Craig

This week we explored the colorful world of Eric Carle, the well-loved children's author and illustrator. We read the books, watched a short video of Carle in his studio, and then created artwork inspired by his stories and illustrations.

Our class projects revolved around making artwork including caterpillars, spiders, clouds, butterflies, ladybugs, and all the other animals that he drew.



10B3 - Rising K

Led by: Van Nguyen

Assisted by: Samantha McKay

This week was all about preparing for everyday life in a kindergarten class. Our goals were to practice independence, routines, and stamina!

We started off each day with a class recess, even if the slide was a little wet sometimes. Our learning time included math, reading, and writing stations which inspired learning through play and exploration.

There are so many fun things to do and Choice Time was the best time to explore them.

Most of all, we learned to love and be kind to our classmates that we will see this fall.



10C1 - Summer Blossoms

Led by: Jadyn Brick

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

This popular camp session continued the project begun by the Middle School campers in Session 7, which was to revitalize the entrance garden area. We helped mulch the newly planted flowers whenever it wasn't raining.

We also helped refresh the Westchester Community Little Free Library. We stained and coated the book house before it was returned to its home near the bus stop.

10C2 - Escape Rooms & Puzzles

Led by: Sydney Harrington

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo & CIT Drake

Puzzles of all kinds were tried and solved at times with great effort, but we persevered. The Star Wars puzzle was especially hard with unusually sneaky shapes.

Escape room games made for some exciting moments and we went around the campus solving cryptograms with each solution giving directions to the next station.



Try this @Home!



DIY Treasure Hunt

FCS Treasure Map illustrated by Amanda Reed, friend of Lindsay Bearden.

Using items found around the house, you can create the best treasure hunt you can imagine. Start with paper, tape, and something to color with- design some clue cards and start hiding them around the house. Your first card should point you to the second, the second to the third, and so on until the last clue points to a treasure you hide. The treasure can be as large or as small as you'd like. Grab some friends or siblings to go on the adventure with you!

Clay Fossils

You can make your very own fossils using clay, items found in nature, and toy dinosaurs if you have them!

Press your clay into a shape resembling a flat rock and lightly press leaves, twigs, and/or toys into it. Remove the items to leave an impression and leave the clay fossils in a sunny place to dry!



Try this @Home!



Animal Puppets

Small paper bags or lone socks are great materials for building puppets. Gather some markers or paint for color. Add some texture with curled-up paper, ribbon, or cotton balls then add some eyes using buttons, knotted yarn, or glued on sequins.

Wait for all your glue to dry, then slip your hand inside. In a paper bag, you will find the mouth of your puppet at the bag fold. Make a mouth by placing your hand in the sock to open and close your fist to make your puppet "talk" or sing or roar!

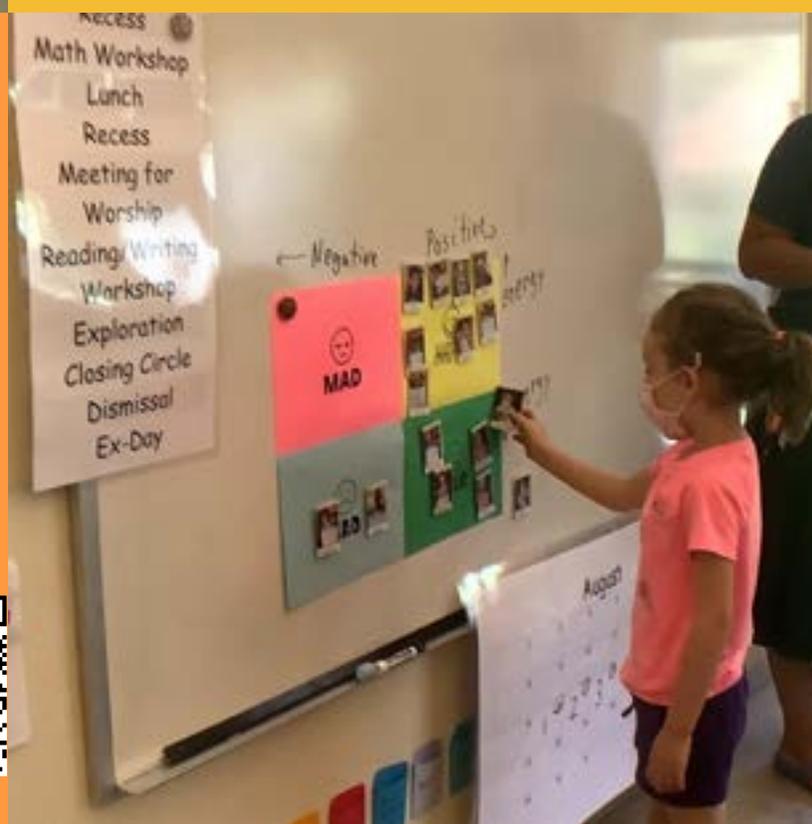
Get Ready for School!

What does it really mean to be ready for school? Does it simply involve finding everything on the supply list and coordinating schedules? Yes, and having the right mindset.

To be inquisitive, to be willing to share and to view challenges as learning experiences are all important to remember when returning to back to school mode. For young children moving up into kindergarten, learning how to manage feelings is an important skill, and our Rising K campers practiced that this week with their very own Feelings Chart!



[Link to Feelings Chart](#)



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Build a Free Library

Have you seen a Free Library in your neighborhood? You can easily and inexpensively create your own using scrap wood, nails, plexiglass and a post.

At the [Little Free Library website](https://www.littlefreelibrary.com/), you can find more ideas and information. They also sell kits for the libraries, but many more people have repurposed old cabinets, mailboxes and even the casing of an old wood burning stove to create welcoming little cupboards for the books.

Ask friends for book donations and choose one or two friends to act as library stewards to help take care and maintain it.



DIY Cipher

Have you ever wanted to write a message in secret code? Now you can!

Start with the entire alphabet written out in a line, next choose a number between 1 and 25 as your “rotation” amount. Once you’ve chosen your amount, count that many spaces from ‘A’ and rewrite the alphabet under your original line for example, if you chose 5, ‘A’ will be under ‘F’). Now you have your cipher text! Using the example cipher, can you figure out this message? “Cvqz v bmzvo nphhzm!”

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
V	W	X	Y	Z	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u

Answer: Have a great summer!





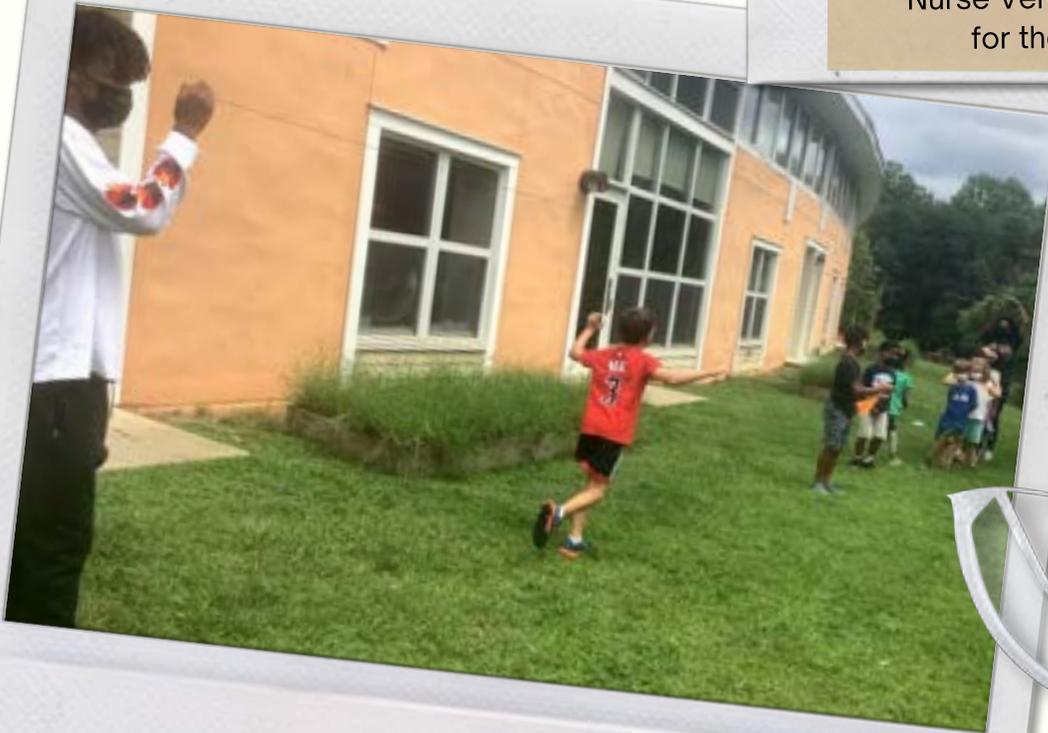
Danielle and Van hanging out one last time with Mr. Microphone the Loudspeaker

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Aloha!



Nurse Vereen joined us just in time for the last week of camp!

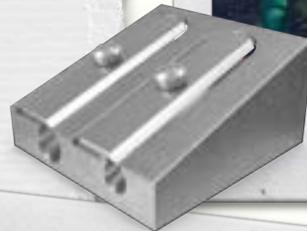


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 - Hi! (English)
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 - Hola! (Spanish)
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 - こんにちは! (Japanese)
 - konnichi wa
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 - Jambo! (Swahili)
- Session 05
 - Shalom! (Hebrew)
- Session 06
 - اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكُمْ! (Arabic)
 - As-salamu alaykum
- Session 07
 - Ciamar a tha thu? (Scottish Gaelic)
- Session 08
 - 你好! (Mandarin Chinese)
 - nǐ hǎo
- Session 09
 - Namaste. (Sanskrit)
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 - Aloha! (Hawaiian)
 - Hello and Goodbye

Our Greetings
this Summer!





Kim



Julian



NICK

Our Support Staff this week:

- Gillian Rosenzweig-Stein
- Hayley Craig
- Julian Craig
- Kim Lugo
- Nicholas Lugo
- Samantha McKay

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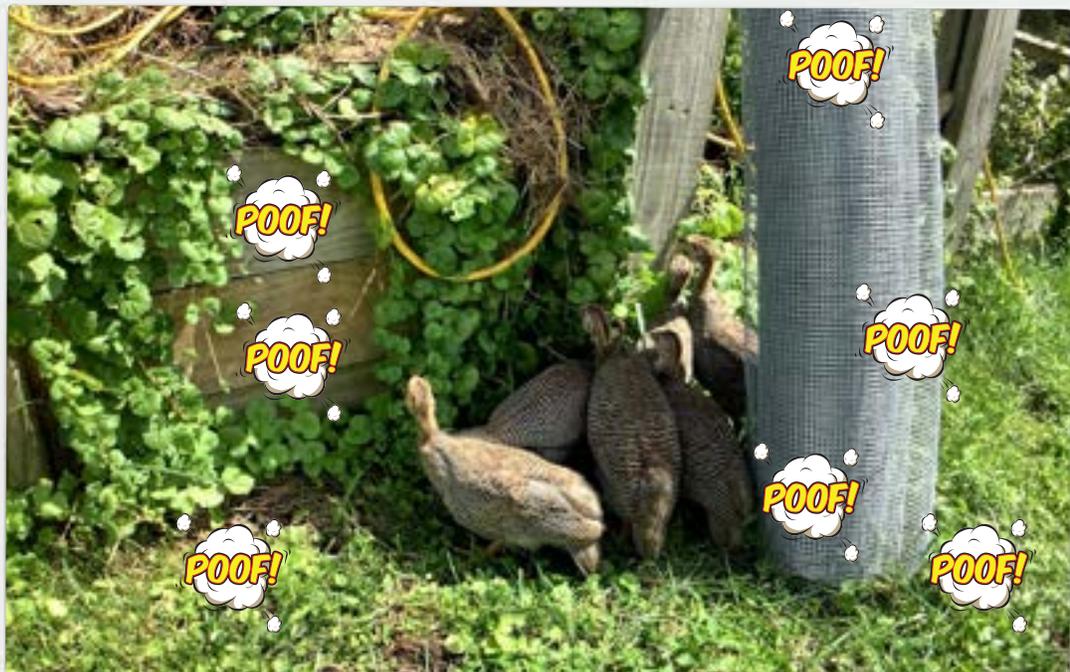
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Spot the Difference!



Session 10 Word Search

O	S	N	L	D	P	I	R	A	T	E	C	Y	Y	N	V	M	C
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N	I	V	Q	W	N	U	J	M	K	F	S	T	S	I	C	Q	I
A	K	I	E	R	Z	G	T	T	U	D	U	S	P	U	K	J	L
C	O	L	L	A	G	E	S	I	M	L	W	N	I	C	R	V	L
P	U	Z	Z	L	E	S	Y	K	N	G	C	R	A	L	W	E	A
A	H	O	K	O	W	X	J	Q	A	E	G	H	W	C	E	I	R
Q	G	G	X	E	H	N	O	U	E	M	U	W	I	I	K	A	Q

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

CATERPILLAR
COLLAGE
DINOSAUR
FCS
FEELINGS

FOSSIL
FUN
LIBRARY
LOCK
MULCH

PIRATE
PUZZLES
ROUTINE
TREASURE

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See you next summer!

