

Theme of the Week: Music: The Songs and Sounds of Life

Thank you for sharing your young author with us this week! They produced a great deal of writing, as they have played with ideas and been introduced to new writing styles. In between, we have enjoyed time together exploring campus, swimming, playing word games, and making new friends.

We are excited to see what our authors dress up as each Friday, as we meet together to celebrate our growth as writers and share our creations. Every Friday campers are welcome to dress up in accordance with the week's theme! Each

camper will be contributing a piece to our Young Authors Day Camp





Reminders

Week 4 Theme: Outer-space



Week 4 Campers will blast off to outer-space! Visiting far off planets, becoming besties with aliens, and exploring the stars. Next week is looking like it will be sunny and humid. Water bottles and sun protection are a must. Also, we do A TON of walking at camp so please make sure we are wearing CLOSED toe shoes!









During pick-up and drop-off, continue to move as far forward as possible.

Please do not exit your car while in line. Staff will be available to help your camper enter & exit through the passenger side doors.

Remember that drop-off is from 9:00 - 9:15. Pick-up is from 3:15 - 3:30.

Please try to arrive as close to those times as possible to avoid congestion

with the other summer programs.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us create a great camping experience for your child!

Young Authors Day Camp visits the Cranbrook Natatorium two days each week. Those days being Monday and Thursday. Campers do NOT have to swim if they don't want to. However, if campers choose to swim we ask that they come to camp wearing their swimsuits under their clothes as we head to the pool pretty early. Plus, it allows for more time to enjoy the pool! We also ask campers bring a bag for wet suits and towels as well as goggles from home if they'd like.



Group One: Ms. Becca and Mr. Miles

Ages 6-8: Grades Second to Fourth.

It may have been a short week, but our group of young authors wrote some truly epic stories! With music as our weekly theme, our writing was both interactive and full of rhythm. We imagined what it'd be like to attend a concert in the forest thrown by an animal band, listened to different music genres and created stories based on how the songs made us feel, wrote our own original songs with catchy lyrics, and crafted persuasive pieces about our favorite tunes!

Our daily author adventures around campus helped bring our ideas to life and reminded us of the importance of music in our lives. It was an inspiring week filled with creativity, new experiences, and a shared love for music!



Group Two: Ms. Ella and Mr. Kasen

Ages 8-10: Grades Third to Fifth

This week, our group transformed into rock stars!

From forming bands and music groups to dreaming up brand-new concert venues. Campers brought the noise as they wrote amazing stories, poems, and songs during our writing adventures.

On Monday created bold and colorful concert posters featuring groovy new bands and wild stage performances. Throughout the week, we kept the energy high with games like Roll-and-Write, Telestrations, and a daily Wordle challenge—we solved every single wordle correctly! On Thursday we were excited to share our stories with the camp and for the long weekend ahead.









Ages 8-10: Grades Fourth to Fifth.

All was harmonious this week at Young Author's Day
Camp as music, lyric writing, instruments, and noise filled
our space! Campers used their vocabulary skills to
describe various instruments and used details to design
their very own made-up instrument. Writers also wrote
personal poems or stories about themselves to show
what makes them unique. Roll-A-Story randomized
various characters, settings, and problems to create
super silly stories.

Young authors loved our Mad-Lib workshop because we got to have other campers fill in the blanks to make one-of-a-kind stories. Music videos (without the sound) allowed our young authors to practice creativity in guessing what the story was about and what the song sounded like. After, we designed and planned our own original music videos!

Group Four: Ms. Christing and Ms. Meredith

Ages 11-12: Grades Sixth to Seventh.

This week, our young authors put on their dancing shoes and tap danced their ways through some mystically magic musical writing activities! They played many author roles this week: song writers, music critics, directors, favorite musicians, and inventors. In these roles, our young authors worked on their rhyming and love for songs by creating parodies of songs they knew, invented new instruments, wrote reviews of popular songs, and directed music videos.

A camper favorite from this week was imagining that they traveled back or forward in time, where they wrote about a day in the life of a musician or artist from a different decade!



Group Five: Ms. Riley and Lumi

Ages 12-14: Grades Seventh to Ninth.

As week three comes to an end we are beyond impressed with the writing skills of our young authors! This week we explored different writing styles following the theme of music. Some fan favorites of the week included silly writing prompts, creating a story using a song title, and our breaking news prompts.

Each day we collaborated to complete the New York

Times games such as wordle, connections, spelling bee,
sudoku, and more. We were finally able to make it
outside for some writing adventures this week! We
visited the Japanese Gardens and the Greek Theatre
where our authors were able to connect with nature
and work on their magnificent writing pieces. We are sad
to see another week come to an end and we look
forward to the weeks to come!





