



# YOUNG AUTHORS DAY CAMP

Weekly Newsletter



## Week 3 Recap

This week, campers built stories and characters using LEGOs. We started the week with a wild and wacky collection of mini-figures (examples below). Campers used their imagination to create characters and stories for their chosen mini-figs.

We also used LEGOs to create and write about our dream house, where the "normal" rules of reality did not apply! Campers later had the opportunity to create stories and poetry using our LEGO word bricks (seen above).

Ms. Carly's group worked on building worlds using their words and sensory descriptions, which they utilized in "I Remember" poems. Mr. Joe and the Green Group completed a read-aloud, then created a collaborative drawing based on the story.

Thank you for sharing your children with us. If your child is returning next week, we will see you then. Otherwise, have a wonderful rest of your summer, and keep those kids writing!

-Lauren Rinke, Director YADC



## Looking Ahead - Week 4

Full steam ahead for another week at YADC! We will be working through a variety of prompts and exercises for the theme **Greek Mythology!**

Week 4 will focus on the influences of mythology in our writing. Campers will learn the legends of characters like Zeus, Ares, Athena, and Cyclopes in order to develop their own stories filled with Titans, monsters, and mortals alike. Throughout the week, campers will have the opportunity to complete morning prompts, daily mini lessons, and explore during writing adventures. We will use our imaginations to visit ancient cities and forgotten lands as we tell stories of the past. Week 4 also features a camp-wide dress-up day (**Thematic Thursday**) where campers and staff are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite Gods/Goddesses. The group with the most participation wins a special prize!

Campers will be encouraged to choose their most well-developed piece to edit/revise and have featured in the annual published anthology as well as read aloud at our Author Share at the end of the week.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. Complete a Daily Health Assessment for each camper before arriving to campus each morning.
2. Have campers wear bathing suits underneath their clothes on Monday and Wednesday.
3. Upload/submit COVID-19 clearance to participate in camp.
4. YADC runs 9:30am-3:30pm. Campers who arrive before 9:15am or who are picked up after 3:45pm will have their account charged for drop-in extended care (unless already signed up).
5. Upload/submit an Allergy Meal Request form (if the camper cannot have the meal(s) provided).
6. Upload/submit an Authorization of Administer Medicine form (if the camper requires any medicine or topical cream to be given/applied by a staff member or nurse during camp hours).

