## YOUNG AUTHORS

Weekly Newsletter

## Week 7 Recap

After many intergalactic space battles, campers finished the week having written numerous stories, poems, and comic strips.

Ms. Carly's blue group worked on brainstorming and story development including: character traits, setting, details, problems, solutions, and ending.

Ms. Makenna's yellow group read the short science fiction story, "All the Summer in a Day" by Ray Bradbury. They learned to identify elements of science fiction and incorporate them into their own short stories.

Mr. Joe's green group explored the concept of black holes, and imagined what would happen if they entered one, and what would be on the other side.

There were many out-of-this-world, interstellar travelers present in this week's stories, so ask your campers which side they would rather be on: mankind's or extraterrestrials'. As the week progressed, campers revised and edited their favorite story to be used in the YADC anthology (still available for purchase).

Thank you for sharing your young authors with us! If your child is returning for the final week of camp, we will see you then. Otherwise, have a fun and relaxing rest of your summer!

-Lauren Rinke, Director YADC









## Looking Ahead - Week 8

We all know the thrill of hearing a good scary story! Next week, campers will explore all things mysterious and creepy, while they listen to--and compose--spooky stories. Just like the tales spun in the Scary Stories and the Goosebumps series, campers will read a variety of classic scary tales, focusing on characters, setting, plot, descriptive details, and suspense. After gaining insight on what makes a good spooky story, campers will work in groups to create their own goose-bump-inducing tale. They will perform their tale at the end of the week for Authors Share. Week 8 of camp will also feature a camp-wide Thematic Thursday where campers and staff are encouraged to come dressed as a spooky character.\*\* The group with the most participation will win a sweet prize!

**\*\***Outfits/costumes for Thematic Thursday should not include weapons of any kind, excessive blood or gore, and cannot cover the child's face (i.e. no scary face masks over-top of regular face masks). Campers will still be expected to wear face masks that fully cover their nose and mouth.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- I.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).









