



The Week that Was

We had a great first week here at WSD. Swimming, Boating, Delicious Lunches, Joke Day, Oneg Shabbat, Sports, Arts and Crafts and more . . .

Save The Date:

July 2
Red, White and Blue Day
July 9
J&B Late night
July 10
Picture Day
July 11
Kineret to Club Getaway
July 12
Everyone is invited to the annual Carnival.

Go to our web site:

We are on the web! Check it daily. Download the flyers, information about trips and events, permission slips, and more. We are constantly uploading pictures. We have over 500 pictures already. Save them to your computer and print them for your children. We are also sending emails with the same information that we send with your children. If you have not received the emails, please email dsaltzman@westchesterday.org to be added to the list. If you have any comments, questions, or compliments please let us know!

www.westchesterday.org
To look at pictures, click on "Photo Gallery." Enter the login name: **user** and the password: **user**.
For forms, go to "Summer Program."



The Week Ahead



Wednesday, July 4th—WSD Closed

Monday, July 2nd

**RED, WHITE
& BLUE Day**

Dress up in the USA colors!!

BBQ Lunch

SOFTBALL CLINICS

Fri. July 6th

Oneg Shabbat

**Science with Shelley
First Grade**

**Thursday,
July 5th**

**Kineret and Nachalot
Trip to Lake Compounce**

**Science with Shelley
Kindergarten**

D'var Torah דבר תורה

A Message from the Enrichment Staff

Parashat Balak

This week's Parsha is a unique one. We go behind-the-scenes as the Torah tells us the story of Bilaam, evil prophet and sorcerer, who attempts to curse B'nei Yisrael on behalf of Balak, king of Moav. Fortunately for us, this evil plot is one of the most unsuccessful in world history. Not only does Bilaam *not* curse our nation but Hashem puts words of *great blessing* into his mouth. We even mention part of Bilaam's blessing in our daily prayers. The verse "Ma Tovu Ohalecha Yaakov, Mishkenotecha Yisrael" describes B'nei Yisrael's extraordinary family and community life. History has shown that the warmth, closeness, and strong bonds of our families and communities are the foundations that let our nation flourish.

In light of this, the Westchester Summer Day family is looking forward to another fantastic summer and here is a behind-the-scenes look at what has been happening so far, and what will be. This year's Jewish Enrichment theme is *Israel* and as always we want our campers to have a fun, inspiring, and all-around terrific time. Campers have begun discussing the what, where, and who of Israel. They have also learned songs about Israel's beauty and helped decorate our campus with signs about Israel. Many of the campers shared their personal experiences of visits to Israel and the special feelings they have for our homeland. In the coming weeks campers will be building a Kotel, celebrating Israeli culture, food, and dance in addition to having a very interactive IDF experience!

Another one of the many highlights of campers' days are lunchtime activities. This past week our theme was fruit, celebrating the 7 special fruits that embody Israeli agriculture. On some days campers tried to determine which piece of "mystery fruit" they had tasted while being cheered on by a full cafeteria. There is constant *ruach* during our music filled lunches. Whether singing, dancing, or telling jokes on the microphone, Westchester Day participants are brimming with enthusiasm and excitement throughout the day!

As the summer begins the Westchester Summer Day family is planning on another spectacular and inspiring summer. Our campers will be having fun, relaxing, and continuing their personal growth and enrichment!

Best Wishes of Shabbat Shalom and for a fantastic summer from the Enrichment Staff!

Ehud Sasson

Parasha Questions—Parashat Balak

1. Balak was the king of which nation?
2. What was he afraid of that was going to happen?
3. Who did he call and for what reason?
4. How many times did Balak call for this person?
5. What did Hashem tell him to do?
6. What appeared in from of the donkey?
7. What did the donkey do?
8. What did Bilaam do to the donkey?
9. What was the response of the donkey?

SIGN UP FOR SWIM AND TENNIS LESSONS

WSD swim and tennis instructors are available for private lessons on campus after camp hours. Lessons are \$25 per half hour.

Call or e-mail the Summer Office at least one day in advance to book lessons for your children. Include your child's name and group number, as well as any special requests (e.g., prefers male or female instructor). Lessons will be scheduled between 4:00 and 4:30 or 4:30 and 5:00. Please pick up your children promptly.

BIRTHDAYS

Is your child's birthday this summer?

Celebrate in grand fashion with fresh baked cupcakes and fresh apple juice. Download a form from the web site, fill it out, send it in with a check, and our birthday experts will make your child's birthday unforgettable.

KEEP US UP TO DATE

If your child is going home with a friend, you **MUST** notify us in advance with a note or phone call before 3:00 PM. In addition to making sure we know where everyone is, we must also make sure there is room on the friend's bus. Our office opens at 8:00 AM. Call us at 914-698-8900, ext. 100.

EARLY PICK-UP—If you plan to pick up your child early, please send a note with your child in the morning or call the office. When you give us advance notice, you can pick up your child in the WSD office. The latest pick-up from the office is 3:30 PM.

PICK-UP AREA—If you are instructed to meet your child at the pick-up area across from the volleyball court, please wait on line in your car for your child and the "pink pass" that you need to give to the security guard at the exit. We thank you for your cooperation in this safety measure.