

THE GATE HILL NEWS

Summer 2017– Week 6



MONDAY

The Villagers had their visiting day today and got to show off their swim skills and some fun Jr. Sports games to their parents! Meanwhile Pioneers got colorful and gross all at once at their Division week special event—Messtival! Some crazy events included the low crawl under messy obstacles, a wacky egg and spoon relay with cup equipped shoes or even painting with their hands and feet!

TUESDAY

The Villagers had an a amazing day today, feeling great, even though they were feeling a little horse. PONY ride day is always a Village favorite and 2017 was no different. Meanwhile the Explorers went on a grand and epic expedition to a faraway land of knights and a jousting tournament at Medieval Times! Sunshine, Turkey legs and a crown—what could be better!

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday with the Pathfinders really popped! Their special day for Division week was the Bubble Blast. Campers played with wacky bubble toys like unicorn bubble sprayers, lawnmowers and bubble wands. The star of show was the Gate Hill foam Pit. Counselors joined the fun too, and by the time they were done everyone was covered in bubbles!

THURSDAY

Mountaineers are our oldest campers and deserve an extra special Division week day. Campers had an extra special one day “chill choice” elective to enjoy their favorite activities. After Chill Choice our Mountaineers entered the Chill zone. Our lakeside field was transformed into an open playground of freeplay games! Kanjam, Baggo, 9 Square, Limbo, and a VERY popular Counselor Dunk tank. Josh BBQed chicken legs with his special BBQ recipe too!

FRIDAY

Gate Hill knew it was coming today—OLYMPICS BREAK. What would the theme and teams be for 2017! The rumors were flying all day from the start of the Gathering! Meanwhile Villagers were enjoying their own special warm up with Oreo Olympics. After physical challenges and silly Oreo games with their friends our Villagers received Oreo medals to take home. At PM Gathering Josh started with his famous jokes but then there was a strange mist...



WHO HAS THE MOSTEST???

Monday of Week 6,
Was a magical day for sure,
The Monarch was excited,
For the challenge du jour

The monarch approached the mic,
With a long, extended grin,
All of the campers were wondering,
Who was going to take the win!

The intensity was growing,
The monarch gained strength,
Every camper was sure ready,
To win at any length.

Then out of nowhere,
The monarch yelled his usual thing,
“Who has the best stretch,
But don’t pull a hamstring!

Good old inspector gadget,
Would have been so proud,
The focus was stunning,
Campers were oddly not loud.

Yoga fans around the world,
Could’ve learned a thing or two,
And then finally the monarch,
Narrowed it down to two.

Our friend Ava G from G3A
Proved to be so flexible,
Millie N from G3B,
Was also pretty incredible!

Be ready for next week,
For all the Olympic games
The monarch will be ready,
Two call out two winning names!



Early Enrollment starts today! For any family that would like to receive the best pricing for 2018, please consider taking advantage of our Early Enrollment options. The Early Pay Plan is a pay in full plan which enables you to pay better than 2017 prices for the summer of 2018! Visit the GH website for the online application.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!

Beth G.
James S.
Kenji L.
Joshua S.
Sofia J.
Annalise O.
Ines D.
Zenner M.
Joaquin P.
Matthew N.
Miriam K.
Sophia S.
Emma S.
Woo Woo!!!

THINK SWIM!

During Gate Hill Olympics, the Pioneers, Mountaineers and Explorers work on their strokes while having fun during exciting and spirited Swim Meets. Campers sign up for events they feel will help their team earn points. The Villagers and Pathfinders continue with instructional swim during Olympics, while the other divisions resume instruction swim later in the week.



WEEK SIX AT THE HILL

Monday - Gate Hill Myths and Legends Olympics

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Wednesday - Gate Hill Myth and Legends Olympics & Group Rock and Roll

Thursday - BMX Stunt Show & Senior Mountaineer Overnight Trip

Friday – Leave a Legacy Day & Senior Pioneer Trip

OLYMPIC CLOTHING

Each camper is encouraged to dress in their team colors for the Olympics. Some wear t-shirts and shorts, while others add face paint and accessories. Here are the team colors for your reference:

Blue – Trolls
Red – Dragons

Green – Mermaids
White – Unicorns

OLYMPIC CORE VALUES

Teamwork, Sportsmanship, Effort, Spirit! These are the four core Olympic values and are worth more than the points accrued at any of the Olympic games. Our staff work hard to instill these values throughout the event! Teams will be recognized with the **Josh Male Awards** for Teamwork, Sportsmanship, Effort, and Spirit at the 2017 Olympic Closing Ceremonies on Wednesday of Week seven. Gate Hill campers, let the games begin!

MYTHS AND LEGENDS OLYMPICS 2017!!

It was SOOOOO exciting this afternoon at PM Gathering. Josh started as usual with some new material from his Joke book for another Josh's Joke Friday. Then Nico took over to tell some of his favorite knee slappers. Out of nowhere a huge mysterious bus crept behind the gathering. It wasn't a Gate Hill bus! Nico bravely chose to explore the bus to discover what was inside—thick fog enveloped him as he ventured inside. We could still hear his commentary on the microphone and the suspense built as he explored and met the strange creatures inside. Suddenly He burst through the roof of the bus, climbed on top and announced the creatures for the 4 teams! The Olympic Theme was set -- Myths and Legends Olympics!! The crowd erupted with cheers when the spirited counselors ran out with signs and costumes chanting for the Gate Hill Olympics games of 2017! Flying streamers, pumping music and spirited cheers from our amazing staff!

LET'S GO COLORS!

Today we said "goodbye for now!" to some of our Gate Hill Friends. We can't wait to see you at Fall Festival, and of course next summer! Save the date for Fall Festival – October 4th !!