



CGI MERRICK-BELLMORE NEWSLETTER

B.H.

Week 2: July 6- July 10, 2026
Shabbat Candle Lighting Time: 8:09 pm

What a great Week 2 at Camp Gan Israel!

This week our campers learned that Jewish children are like soldiers in Hashem's (G-d's) Army. We learned about the Jewish uniform for Jewish boys and girls. We learned that we are also Lamplighters, lighting up the world with Torah study and all our Mitzvot - good deeds! We learned that the Torah is our treasure that is given to us because Hashem (G-d) loves us!

On Monday, the campers had art with Morah Emily and they made fridge magnets out of Model Magic. Rain doesn't keep the fun away in CGI! TG and MG campers went on the bounce house and bumper cars, while JG and SG campers went bowling, hitting those pins and scoring high!.

On Tuesday, TG, MG and JG campers enjoyed water play in our playground and SG campers went swimming at Newbridge Pool, learning new skills with Nick, our swimming instructor. They also visited Newbridge Park playground and climbed and played so nicely! Coach Bernie from Super Soccer Stars had our campers kicking those balls around and trying to make a goal! Morah Kaylie joined us for music and movement and our campers had a blast dancing and singing! She even got her bird to sing our camp song!

Rachel, the librarian from the Merrick library, came and read the younger campers books, as they listened intently.

On Wednesday, Senior Gan campers had a blast at Grit Ninja, where they literally climbed the walls! Check out the pictures to see how high they climbed. JG, MG and TG campers did Yoga with Lana, and had such a relaxing time, stretching and moving their bodies. Our campers were fascinated by our Mad Science experiment, watching it "rain" colorful drops of water through the "clouds" of shaving cream.

On Thursday, SG campers went to Veteran's Memorial Pool where they swam and splashed and got all wet. TG, MG, and JG campers enjoyed our water park, with the fun water slide, sprinklers and water toys in the water table. Gymnastics with Rookies was so much fun as our campers tumbled, jumped, and coursed their way through! During 'Kosher Chefs', they made delicious candy sushi with fruit roll up and Rice Krispie treats. On Friday we all wore funny hats, oh how silly we looked!

We ended off our week with an awesome Foam Party, all covered in bubbles. We got into the Shabbat Spirit with challah baking and a grand Shabbat party where we sang Shabbat songs and enjoyed a special treat.

Looking forward to seeing you next week!

Love, the CGI staff

A PEEK AT NEXT WEEK

MONDAY

- Swimming at Newbridge for JG & SG
- Water play for TG & MG
- Art with Morah Emily

TUESDAY

- Music and Movement with Kayli
- Super Soccer Stars
- Swimming at Newbridge for SG
- Water Play for TG, MG, & JG
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WEDNESDAY

- JG and SG trip to Jumptown USA- (campers should wear camp T-shirt)
- Yoga with Lana for TG, MG, JG
- Water Play for TG & MG
- Mad Science

THURSDAY

- Giant Water Slide
- Rookies Gymnastics
- Kosher Chefs

FRIDAY

- Twin Dress Up
- Oreo Challah Baking
- Shabbat Party
- Reptile Show
- Water play for TG, MG, JG, & SG

MEET OUR STAFF

B.H.

GENERAL
MANAGER

TINY GAN



MINI GAN 1



MINI GAN 2A



MINI GAN 2B



MINI GAN 2C



JUNIOR GAN



SENIOR GAN 1



SENIOR GAN 2



HEAD COUNSELOR
HC ASSISTANT



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