



CGI MERRICK-BELLMORE NEWSLETTER

Week 4: July 20- July 24, 2026

Shabbat Candle Lighting Time: 7:59 pm

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What a great Week 4 at Camp Gan Israel!

This week our campers learned all about Moshiach and that they can bring Moshiach closer by doing more Mitzvot- good deeds! We learned what the world will be like when Moshiach comes. We learned about the Beit Hamikdash- Hashem's holy house, and how we can make a home for Hashem in our every day lives. We also learned about the Holy Land of Israel, where we will all go to when Moshiach comes.

On Monday, the campers had art with Morah Emily and they decorated their own name plaques for their doors. Chris the drummer was back and introduced the Conga Drum which originated in Cuba. We each got a chance to play it. What fun to bang to the beat! JG and SG campers went to the splashpad at Newbridge Park, where they had a great time running through the sprinklers splashing around. Then they walked over to the playground and had so much fun climbing and playing. TG and MG campers enjoyed water play in our playground, with our water slide and water tables.

On Tuesday, TG, MG, JG and SG campers enjoyed water play in our playground with our water slide and spinning sprinkler. Coach Bernie from Super Soccer Stars had our campers kicking those balls around and trying to make a goal! Getting it in the net is always a win! Morah Kaylie joined us for music and movement and our campers had a blast dancing and singing! We had a fabulous carnival with face painting, playing games at the booths, and ending it off with yummy, sticky cotton candy!

On Wednesday, SG campers went on a trip to Laser Bounce! They had so much fun jumping and bouncing and "swimming" in the balls! They also had a chance to play laser tag. TG, MG and JG campers enjoyed being outside and getting wet during water play on the playground. JG, MG and TG campers did Yoga with Lana, and had such a relaxing time, stretching and moving their bodies.

Friday was SuperHero dress up day! We loved seeing all the SuperHeroes and SuperJews at camp!

We ended off our week with an incredible visit from the Small Wonder Puppet Theatre. We all laughed and sang together as we watch the story of the Cow who Kept Shabbat, The Story of the 2 Brothers, and How Suleiman the Magnificent uncovered the Western Wall. We really enjoyed sliding down the giant rainbow water slide! We got into the Shabbat Spirit with challah baking (did you find your fortune?) 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
- Water Play for TG, MG, JG
- Swimming at Newbridge for SG
- PICTURE DAY! WEAR A CAMP T-SHIRT

WEDNESDAY

- SG trip to All American Gymnastics (campers should wear camp T-shirt)
- Yoga with Lana for TG, MG, JG
- Water Play for TG, MG & JG
- OPEN HOUSE BBQ @ 5:30

THURSDAY

- Swimming at Veteran's Memorial Pool for SG
- Water Play for TG, MG, JG
- Rookies Gymnastics
- Kosher Chefs

FRIDAY

- Tie Dye Dress-up Day
- Cinnamon Challah Baking
- Shabbat Party
- Diddi Maxx Magic Show
- Water play for TG, MG, JG, & SG

A PEEK AT OUR WEEK!

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