Week Six, August 7th - 11th 2017

The Summer Sentinel

THIS WEEK WAS MONSTROUSLY FUN

We had a blast going surfing and seeing the Emoji Movie this week!

What a busy week we have had here at the summer program! Our theme of "Monster Week" was very appropriate! We started out our week with a trip to the Emoji movie. While the younger kids absolutely loved

it, our older kids seemed to agree more with the 6%

MONSTER WEEK DETAILS:

Daily Schedule:

Morning Drop Off -First Activity* Morning Snack -Second Activity* Lunch Time (outside) -Third Activity* -Fourth Activity* Afternoon Snack -Choice Activities* <u>Afternoon Pick Up</u> until 5:30

*Activities range from field time, gym time, tent time, art, library/computer lab, and arcade time.

Field Trips:

AMC Metheun: Grades 4-9 Surfing Lessons: Grades 7-9 review the movie currently has on Rotten Tomatoes.

Wednesday had a flurry of activity. A group of Rec kids went to Hull for some surfing lessons. The weather was absolutely perfect for the kids to learn in the ocean how to get up on the boards. While we



were gone, everyone else participated in a field day. The older kids set up an elaborate haunted house (costumes and fake make-up too!) for the Wynn kids to enjoy inside the Rec. Mr. P, dressed as the Phantom of the Opera, greeted the kids as they made their way into the building and briefed them on what to expect in the rooms. However, most would agree that the best part of Wednesday was that the MVPs of each grade got to make sundaes on the heads of staff. This included emptying a whole can of whipped cream as the base, and then "decorating" the sundae with cherries, sprinkles, and



chocolate sauce.

Thursday was the annual LIT field trip to MVP in town, as a way to thank them for their hardwork this summer. The Wynn kids went swimming in the afternoon.

We are all looking forward to Carnival Week next week! Even though we are bummed it is

the last week of the summer, it's going to be a great ending to an even greater summer!

WHY THE L.I.T.S LOVE THEIR SUMMER HERE

RENEE: "My favorite part of this summer has been getting to know the kids. They all have different personalities and it's fun to get to know each different kid."

CAITLYN: "I have really loved working with the different age groups. It's cool to see how the different grade levels still have fun interacting with each other despite their age differences."



TORY: "I've had a blast playing with the kids. While my favorite is to play sports with them outside, I love playing fast card games too in the mornings."

ASHLEY: "I love setting up field day each week because Dennis and Leo make it so fun. I love setting up for the kids."

KIRA: "My favorite part of every day is when I first walk in and some of the same kids excitedly greet me each morning. I love feeling welcomed!" MICHAELA: "Hands down, hanging out with all the kids all summer has been the best. I've gotten to know so many of them and I'm going to miss them when this all ends next week!"

ZAKK: "I've really enjoyed being with the fourth graders specifically. They listen well to me and I feel like I've made great connection with the grade as a whole."

ALYSSA: "My favorite part has been getting to meet all the kids and seeing what all their different interests are."



WHO'S AT THE FRONT **DESK AT THE WYNN?**

Every morning and afternoon you see faces greeting you at the front desk and might not actually know who they are. Here's a little summary about each staff member that works the desk and what day(s) they were here this week.

MONDAY: JON DIPRIMA

Mr. D has been working at Wynn Middle School for seven years and working the summer program for seven as well. While he is mainly the LIT Coordinator, he works the front desk one day each week. He spends his time off performing with Voices of Hope, a charity group working to put an end to cancer.

TUESDAY / THURSDAY: JULIE FABIANO

Mrs. Fabiano has been working the summer program for two years and is currently one of the Health teachers at Tewksbury Memorial High School. This summer she married Mr. Fabiano (from the Rec) and loves spending time working on their house and hanging out with their two dogs. She and Mr. Fab leave this weekend for a trip to Italy!

WEDNESDAY / FRIDAY: CORYANA PRENDABLE

Ms. Prendable has been working at the summer program for two years. When she's not behind the desk, she works as a staff member with the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders. This year she will be teaching fourth grade in Dracut. On her off days Ms. Prendable enjoys going to the beach as much as possible and spending time with her dog, Bailey.





Mike Foster



Summer's Worked: 1 Hometown: Leominster STAFF SPOTLIGHT Field Trip: Canobie Lake Park! Spirit Animal: Monkey Pots: 1 Dog Pets: 1 Dog Fun Fact: I've asked Rob Gronkowski a math question



SURFING IN HULL By Lindsay Appleby

On Wednesday a small group from the Rec Center had the opportunity to travel down to Hull, MA and take surfing lessons. Once we got to Hull, we went to the headquarters for Northeast Surfing. There, we met our instructor who led the group down to Nantasket Beach to begin the hour long surf lesson. The kids spent time on the beach learning the positions of surfing before getting into the water. Our instructor had them practice slowly getting up and how to place their feet once standing on the board. One student exclaimed how easy it was- note she wasn't actually in the water yet! After about ten minutes on the beach, they got to get in the water. Many trials and errors led to some successful surfing. Everyone in our group got up standing at some point or another. One girl had surfed before and she excelled today. The instructor helped with timing issues, explaining exactly when to stand up when

the wave is coming towards you. As a bystander, watching all this, I never knew how difficult just getting the timing right could be. After their lesson, the kids got time to surf a bit more on their own. Tired, we went to grab a slice of pizza before heading back to the bus to return home. Everyone agreed that this was one the best field trips yet and each kid had a great time.





LI.T. SPOTLIGHT

Leaders in Training (LITs) are incoming Freshmen who spend their summer with us learning to be a counselor and have fun working with kids. Many attended the program when they were younger

Adrianna Niles

Summer's Attended: *One* Hometown: *Tewksbury* Favorite Camp Field Trip: *Altitude* Favorite Sport: Basketball Spirit Animal: *Kangaroo* Pets: *One Dog named Dude*



We love hearing from you about The Summer Sentinel. Please let Lindsay know (lappleby@tewksbury.k12.ma.us) if you have any comments or suggestions about how we're doing.

A REMINDER FOR PARENTS

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE SELLING T SHIRTS...

The Summer Program is selling t-shirts for \$7 to tie-dye next week as an end of summer activity. You can purchase it online in the same area you sign up for field trips or buy it in person next week at your student's site.





TOMMORRILL

Site Director of the Wynn (Grades 4-6)



JARYDPALMER

Site Director of the Rec Center (Grades 7-8)



JONDIPRIMA

Leaders in Training (LIT) Director



LINDSAY APPLEBY

Writer and Editor of the Summer Sentinel



CONGRATSL.I.T.S

This week, LITs Olivia and Michael are our MVPs! They helped out this week without even being asked and were always there when called upon, even for difficult tasks!

UPCOMING...

WEEK 7

Theme: Carnival Altitude 4-9 Roller Kingdom 4-6 End of Year Carnival





THIS WEEK Was crazy Fun!







