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## WEEK FIVE



Dear Parents,

We had such an exciting week! On Monday, Mini Gan and Junior Gan got to begin their day with storytime with a librarian from the Merrick library! Senior Gan 2 had “cupcake wars”, where they were challenged to create cupcakes using the ingredients on the table, with no recipe. Then, we put them in the oven. Some cupcakes baked, and some didn’t. The cupcakes also looked very silly because campers had the opportunity to use food dye and sprinkles. Senior Gan 1 had fun putting pasta on yarn to make necklaces! As always, everyone had music with Tiffany and art with Leah, and everyone enjoyed water fun either at the pool or at our playground.

On Tuesday, everyone decorated beautiful Shema pillows! We also got to perfect our agility skills by jumping through the cones and hoops with “Super Soccer Stars.” Junior and Senior Gan made yummy rice crispy treats during “Kosher Chefs”. On Wednesday, Senior Gan got to jump, climb, and do bumper cars at Urban Air! Mini Gan and Junior Gan enjoyed singing and dancing with “play hooray!”

Thursday was pajama day! It was so much fun to see the campers in their cozy pajamas! Junior and Senior Gan went swimming, and everyone got to make shrinky dinks. Junior and Senior Gan campers had a blast mummifying their counselors with toilet paper! On Friday, we had our usual Shabbat party! We sang Shabbat songs, make challah, and learned about the day of rest. What a wonderful week!

Have a Shabbat Shalom!



# Peek @ Next Week

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## The Nine Days and Tisha B' Av: What's that?

The nine days are a period of mourning for the destruction of the holy temple. They are the first nine days of the Jewish month of Av. At the end of the nine days is Tisha B'Av, the saddest day on the Jewish calendar—the date when the first and second holy temples were destroyed thousands of years ago.

As your child may notice, there are some things that we do to mourn during the nine days. For example, we don't go swimming. Therefore, for the coming week we have planned some special activities such as a bowling trip on Monday, an interactive puppet show on Tuesday & a carnival on Thursday! We are also bringing in some epic water slides! Another thing we do avoid is listening to music with instruments. Listen out because we will be playing acapella music during camp arrivals & dismissal! In addition, we don't eat meat during the nine days, so the camp lunches will not include chicken nuggets next week. These nine days is also an opportunity to learn about the holy temple and to prepare for how exciting and joyful it will be when it is rebuilt!

