

Week 2: June 7- July 11, 2025 Shabbat Candle Lighting Time: 8:08pm in Merrick, NY

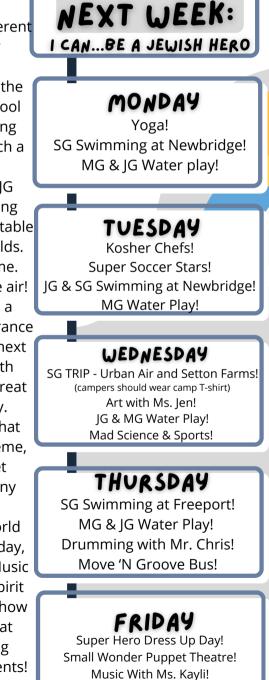
We had another great week at Camp Gan Israel of Merrick-Bellmore! The theme of this week was I CAN Travel... We learned about different modes of transportation and incorporated that in many of our activities.

On Monday, MG and JG enjoyed water play outside, running in the sprinklers and getting refreshingly wet. SG swam at Newbridge Pool and had swimming lessons with Coach Nick, stretching and moving their bodies. All our campers enjoyed Yoga with Lana, and had such a relaxing time!

Tuesday "kicked" off with Coach Brian from Super Soccer Stars. JG joined SG at Newbridge Pool for swimming. MG enjoyed an exciting water slide during water play! During 'Kosher Chefs' we made delectable chocolate lollipops. We melted chocolate and put them in the molds. Once they hardened, we wrapped them in cellophane to take home. We made paper cup parachutes and watched them fly through the air! On Wednesday, we had Art with Ms. Jen, and started working on a

group project, along with our very own portraits to hang at the entrance to camp. Come and take a look when you drop off your campers next week! During 'Mad Science', we experimented "making it rain" with shaving cream clouds, water, and food coloring. SG and JG had a great time on their trip to Jumptown USA, jumping and bouncing away. On Thursday, we learned about travel by water, and we learned that Noah did the same when he went into the ark. In line with our theme, we had special visitors- animals that were on Noah's ark! We pet bunnies and chickens, fed goats and lambs and even enjoyed pony rides!

Our first Friday in camp was a real full one! After traveling the world this week, we had all kinds of International "Visitors" for dress-up day, with representation from Japan, Russia, Israel, Hawaii and more! Music and Movement with Morah Kaylie really got us into the Shabbat spirit and we learned 'Od Yoter Tov'! Watching Keith Leif's Fire Juggling Show had us all spellbound, but we will make sure not to try his tricks at home! We ended our week with a Shabbat Party, and are looking forward to watching the highlights of the week with our camp parents! Wishing you a Shabbat Shalom and looking forward to next week, Love, the CGI staff



Challah Baking and Shabbat Party!

MG, JG & SG Water Play!

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