

Camp Spark - Igniting Knowledge! Weekly Newspaper

Summer Edition
Week 9: July 24 – 28, 2023

Ms. Olivia's PreK-1
Dino Detectives



Mr. Kole's 2-3
Travel Science Kids



Ms. Olivia's campers had such a creative and fun week exploring the pre-historic world of dinosaurs! They kicked off the week creating a dino-inspired place mat which they used all week to store their creations on before taking them home. They enjoyed a plethora of amazing crafts including dinosaur handprints, stegosaurus scutes hats, and dino masks. After learning how fossils were created, they made their dino track fossils out of play dough. Campers even practiced paleontology by excavating chocolate chips from a cookie. Their dinosaur explorations extended to the great outdoors where they participated in a dinosaur egg hunt. They even got to get hands-on with a replica from a real triceratops bone. This fossil is called the T-Rex Biscuit because it has evidence of large and small theropods feasting on it. Mr. Kole led the group in a discussion that included the debate on whether T-Rex was a hunter or scavenger. What a roarin' dino-mite week!



Mr. Kole's campers had an amazing week traveling the globe while making all sorts of STEAM discoveries! The week started off with the campers studying a grid of the earth and learning about longitude and latitude. The first day was spent island hopping from Hawaii to Australia. Campers created leis, boomerangs, a Didgeridoo, and a paper snake. On Tuesday, campers reviewed the Earth's continents and spent the day in South America. Activities included engineering their own ziggurat out of small craft blocks and a butterfly camo experiment. Wednesday's travels were to Africa where they made a rain stick, mummified a camper, and constructed pyramids to test their strength. Next, it was off to China to make a rattle drum, sand art, and construct a great wall. At the end of each day, Mr. Kole shared with them a live reptile from his collection that is indigenous to the region. Mr. Ethan led the group on Friday, taking the campers on a trip to Europe where they participated in sports science activities in a Camp Olympics! Our little world travelers are super scientists!

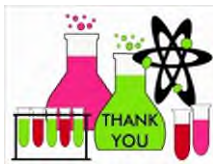


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Ms. Caroline's 4-5 Camp Half Bloods

Ms. Caroline's campers had a fantastic week exploring science and art inspired by the Greek gods and goddesses and Percy Jackson! The campers learned all about the Olympians and created their own crests. They discovered King Mino's minotaur and created marble mazes. Athena's wisdom guided them through owl dissections – how cool! Using their Hestia skills, they mixed and made their own bread. They explored architecture and created their own paper arch. Campers delved into Poseidon's world and learned about bioluminescence. They created a glow-in-the-dark lantern fish to bring home. They even explored solar science with Helios and much more!! Friday's finale featured Camp Olympics which included running sprints, long jumps, and riddle solving! Zues gives this week 10 lightning bolts out of 10!



MoLab extends a big **THANK YOU** to all our CITs this week: Connor, Sreyas, Marin, Solette, Brett, Emanuel, Ash, Aubrey, Smith, Jessie, Eli, & Katharine. You guys are awesome, and we appreciate you being part of the MoTeam!

Announcements!

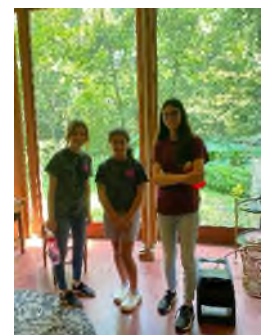
Next Week's Event:

- **Wednesday, August 2 at 2 p.m.: Kona Shaved Ice**



Ms. Karli's 6-8 Architecture and Design

What an exciting week for campers participating in Architecture and Design! They discovered the aesthetics of Frank Lloyd Wright through creative projects. They even created their own 3-D models and solved design challenges online with TinkerCad. Challenges included flood solutions and pattern layout which taught complicated design. On Thursday, campers had the privilege of visiting the Spring House which is the only private residence designed and built by Frank Lloyd Wright in Florida. Byrd welcomed them into her home. Camp enjoyed a presentation from the Board, a tour of the house, and Spring House T-shirts as souvenirs. A special **THANK YOU** to our sponsors for making this experience possible: **Gladwin Vaughn Architecture, Conn Architects+, PaleoWest, Architecture by Design, Architects Lewis + Whitlock, P.A., and Florida Foundation for Architecture.** What an incredible week of exploration and discovery!



A great big **THANK YOU** to the Spring House Institute for welcoming us to this historical site. The campers were impressed and inspired!

