



SUMMER AT WES TIMES

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The Early Childhood

By Matthew Sheets



We are here at the Creepy Crawly Critters Camp for younger campers. What a wonderful camp! The first things I noticed when I walked into the room were the gigantic bug decorations. It was like being shrunk to the size of a pebble! Next, I saw the kids sitting on the floor listening to their teacher read them a story about bugs. After the story, the campers started making a craft. The teachers were kind and helped the kids with their “bug on a leaf” projects. When they finished, I knew the campers were having fun. I think that is what matters most at WES.



Five Questions with... Mrs. Jarrouj

By Alison Lennie



1. What is your favorite part of teaching?

Interacting with the kids and talking about cooking.

2. What is your favorite color?

Green.

3. What is your favorite part of the Summer at WES Times?

Meeting all the students who took part in making the paper.

4. What do you like to do on the weekend?

Cook.

5. What is your favorite instrument?

Flute is my favorite.

Looking Back: Things I Remember From The First Day Of Camp

By Katie Rinaldi



When I walked through the doors on the first day of camp, I was pretty scared. I quickly found my schedule and my first period teacher, Mrs. Elkassem. That day, we learned all about volcanoes in Mrs. Elkassem's Science class. It was so cool! As the day went on, I began to feel more and more welcome. The campers were all so friendly and the teachers were incredibly nice. Every period of the day was filled with fun! Thanks to awesome teachers and friendly students, I now think that this is the best camp I have ever attended. Go Dragons!



Science teacher, Mrs. Elkassem, relaxes at lunch.

Get Involved: Comic and Joke Contest

By Maddy Kessler



Summer at WES Times is holding a weekly comic strip and joke contest. We are asking campers, counselors and teachers to submit their most hilarious comic strip or favorite joke. The box for submissions can be found in the main lobby. Don't forget to put your full name on your entry! The best joke or comic strip of the week will be published in the next issue of the *Times*. Enter now!

Mix & Match Report

By Maddy Kessler



Ceramics is a really cool class! This week, the campers made pinch pots that they transformed into animals including penguins. Soon, the campers will make paper mache masks, beads and more! Summer at WES uses all-natural clay which comes right from the ground! You should check this class out!

Survey Says: Favorite Summer Activity

By Katie Rinaldi



This week, the *Times* decided to investigate which summer activities were the most popular with the Summer at WES community. We found out several interesting facts. Girls enjoyed playing outside the most. Vacationing was in second place. Boys enjoyed more sports-related activities than the girls. Swimming and playing sports were tied with the most votes. Teachers liked relaxing in their spare time. Vacationing received the most votes in their group. While each group had different opinions, everyone seems to enjoy summer and all the fun that comes with it.



Five Questions with... Mr. Isola

By Alison Lennie



1. What is your favorite part of teaching?

The opportunity to try to inspire kids.

2. What is your favorite color?

Pink.

3. What is your favorite part of the Summer at WES Times?

I'm excited to see it!

4. What do you like to do on the weekend?

I like to spend time with my family.

5. What is your favorite instrument?

The piano.

Five Questions with... Mr. Nem

By Alison Lennie



1. What is your favorite part of teaching?

My favorite part of teaching is the student enthusiasm.

2. What is your favorite color?

Green

3. What is your favorite part of the Summer at WES Times?

Seeing the kids doing great things.

4. What do you like to do on the weekend?

Work in my garden.

5. What is your favorite instrument?

My favorite instrument is my lips.

Survey Says: Favorite Hobby

By Madeleine Blonder

We surveyed thirty-five people at Summer of WES to find out how our community likes to spend its free time. Playing sports was, by far, the most popular hobby with nineteen votes. Creating artwork was in second place with six. Traveling was the third most popular hobby with five votes. Acting was fourth with three votes. Reading came in last with only two votes.

I Love Ceramics!

By Sophia Chirico

Ceramics is an awesome art class! You make coils, slabs, pinch pots and much more. On June 21, 2010, we made two pinch pots. We then connected the pots with a coil. After that, each camper got to pick out an animal. Some campers picked dogs, while others picked parrots. If you were like me and picked a parrot, the teacher, Mr. Nem, gave you texture tools to use. We used these tools to carve the clay into the correct shape for a bird. Next, we added features. If you press down with the flat side of your tool, you can add feathers and scales to your piece. Finally, you will need to add wings. Just make sure everything is hollow. If not, your project could explode! You then place your piece in a giant oven called a kiln. After a week, you put a glossy paint called glaze on your piece. Then you put your glazed piece in the kiln for another week. I cannot wait to see how mine turned out!

Mind Your Own Business!

By Katie Rinaldi

Mind Your Own Business (MYOB) sure is an awesome class! The MYOB kids have started a company and are planning to sell keychains here at camp. The keychains have an adorable dragon on them and the word “WES” printed along the bottom. You can even personalize them by adding your own initials to the back. The key chains are only \$4.00, a small price to pay for something this great. Starting Monday, you can pick up your order form in the lobby. Fill it out before they run out! Mind Your Own Business is donating all the proceeds to the Children’s Inn.



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Recipe of the Week: Mrs. Jarrouj’s Famous Monkey Bread

1 stick of butter
1 1/3 cups of sugar
3 tsp of cinnamon
3 cans of biscuits
Bundt pan

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F
2. Melt butter
3. Combine cinnamon and sugar
4. Cut biscuits into quarters
5. Roll biscuits into sugar mix
6. Combine butter and remaining sugar mix.
7. Drizzle over dough
8. Cook for 35 minutes.
9. Enjoy!

The Magic of Monkey Bread

By Matthew Sheets and Alison Lennie

“It was too good for words!” exclaimed Theodore Kroeger, age ten. We here at the *Times* could not agree more. Monkey bread is, in our opinion, much tastier than it sounds. Basically, monkey bread is a small biscuit covered with cinnamon and sugar. The Culinary Kids class made monkey bread this week and they loved it! We both could eat it all day!

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