



SUMMER@CARROLL NEWS

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From the Director:

At the mid-point of the summer program, congratulations are in order for all Summer@Carroll students who continue to work hard in the mornings and play hard in the afternoons.

Many activities in the afternoons highlighted this week including: daily trips to Walden Pond, canoeing on the Charles River in Newton, the *Beginning Readers'* visit to Drumlin Farm, and a boat tour of Boston Harbor for the *High School Readiness* group.

With two more weeks to go in Summer@Carroll, the teachers and tutors are determined to keep their students academically focused right up to the end. The camp staff will maintain the fun activities in the afternoon highlighted by the annual Summer@Carroll carnival on July 25th.

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Cooking Class with Jaci...



very good pepperoni pizza!

Academics:

Families should receive midterm reports no later than Monday, July 20th. Information about the final day of the program, July 31st, and conferences will also be included with the reports. When reading the reports, please remember that the final reports, which will be mailed home at the end of the program, will include a brief note describing your child's progress, in addition to a checklist.

Students are now easily able to navigate around the campus, finding their classrooms and group meeting spots without trouble. Academic routines have been set and students are working hard. In writing classes, students are playing games to reinforce skills including parts of speech. They are also learning how to use graphic organizers and checklists to assist them through the writing process. Many students are now in the publishing phase and their work looks fantastic! Students in tutoring have learned new key words for sounds and a variety of reading and spelling strategies. The *High School Readiness* students are working hard as they research their chosen topics and begin writing their research papers. Pretty soon, they will begin preparing for their oral presentations!

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Absent or tardy "hot line":

Call 781-259-8342, extension 4000 to report a student absence, tardy arrival or early dismissal. Plan to call prior to 8:20 a.m. You may also e-mail your message to: gsummers@carrollschool.org.

Beginning Readers Visit Drumlin Farm



The *Beginning Readers* had a blast at Drumlin Farm this week! We went on a hay ride around the farm and got to see many animals, including: cows, sheep, chickens, owls, mice, and even the barn cat! Many BRs had lots to share from their previous trips with family to Drumlin Farm. In Language this week, everyone has been learning new sounds, reading words, reading sentences, and reading stories. Ms. Costello's class has been completing sound sorts. Ms. Albanese's class has played Red Word Go Fish. Ms. Klepper's class has sorted pictures with beginning blends. Mrs. Herold's class has been practicing counting syllables and played "Swinging Syllables" this week! In Math, the BRs learned how to play a game called "What's My Rule" where they use the attributes of color, size, shape, and thickness to group and sort shapes.

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Summer Speaker Series: This Tuesday

CarrollMath!

This presentation will briefly look at the spectrum of mathematics being taught today and the methods which are used at The Carroll School. We will also discuss software, fluency, the use of a calculator, and some game activities which may help your child develop thinking strategies.

Speaker: Gayle Lewis
 Math Department Head
 The Carroll School

Venue: Cole Room, Storow House
 8:30-10:00 – “Meet & greet” with summer math teachers, refreshments, presentation, Q&A

Water Play at Walden Pond



Camp Trips next week (July 20-23):

Walden Pond trips:

- Mon. July 20: Groups E, F, 7
- Tues. July 21: Groups C, D
- Wed. July 22: Groups A, B
- Thurs. July 23: Groups E, F, 7

The bus leaves Carroll at 1:40 PM and returns at 3:40 PM in time for dismissal. Campers need swim suits, towels, camp T-shirts, and sneakers for Walden trips.

Check out the size of these blueberries!



Blueberry Picking in Stow:

Thurs. July 23: Groups B2, C

Beginning Readers to North Bridge:

Tuesday., July 21: 12:45-2:30

The *Beginning Readers* visit historic North Bridge in Concord.

All Beginning Readers should wear their camp shirts on both of these days. Pick up is at the regular time on these days.

Talaganza – Summer@Carroll Talent Show

On Wednesday, July 22nd, the entire camp will participate in a Talaganza of talent at the Summer@Carroll Talent Show. The campers will be entertained by a variety of music, dancing, comedy, and acting from other campers as well as counselors and activity directors. It promises to be a very exciting time for all!



Summer@Carroll Carnival:

On Friday, July 24th, the entire camp will enjoy the annual Summer@Carroll Carnival. This year's carnival boasts many fabulous camper and counselor run events such as a watermelon eating contest, tug of war, and the popular joust. Special treats this year will be the return of speed pitch machine, the tropical slip 'n' dip water slide, and the two story front loading water slide. Campers will be exhausted after having such a wonderful day at Carroll! There is regular pick-up on Carnival day..

Lost & Found in the Gym:

If your child has lost something at Carroll this summer, have them check the "lost & found" inside the front door of the Gym.

Baker Bridge Road Construction Project:

We regret the inconvenience of the road resurfacing project on Baker Bridge Road. The map on the following page may be helpful in navigating the detours.