

THE BRIARWOOD BUGLE

Fun in the sun!

August 4-August 8, 2025

Week 7

From Matt and Mike

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Check out our daily pictures by clicking on the "current families" link on the Briarwood website and then going to "photos." Call if you need the password.

It was yet another fantastically spectacular week! (Can you believe it? Actually, we can.)

Color War ended amazingly, as always. A smiling good time was had by all. Congratulations to the Blue Rebels!

We wanted to highlight something about our Color War events because it is at the core of our philosophy. Our activities are designed so that every camper is involved and gets to shine. Through a wide variety of events, different campers kick, swim, dance, run, throw, sing, climb, run, carry, and—most importantly—cheer for each other and have fun all over camp. It's wonderful, positive, affirming stuff. And again this summer, our amazing campers and staff showed us what camp is really all about. We've got so many awesome things planned for next week (see below as well as page 4 for just a taste). Can't wait!

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

BRIARWOOD PROUDLY
CELEBRATES 40 YEARS

on

MONDAY, AUGUST 11th

ALL CIT
LATE STAY PICNIC
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST
13th

BRIARWOOD'S DRAMA SHOW

"Dalmations Jr."
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12th
at 10:30 am

LAST DAY OF CAMP

EARLY DISMISSAL AT

2:30pm

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15th

BRIARWOOD STORE

We have an online store! Check it out if you'd like to be decked out in the latest and greatest Briarwood gear.

Go to the Current Families tab on our website and click Camp Store!

BABYSITTER LIST

Did you know that we have a babysitter list for Briarwood families? If you're interested, email us at office@briarwooddaycamp.com and we'll send it to you when camp ends next week.





BRIARWOOD COUNSELORS OF THE WEEK:

Senior Staff: Lexi Boss Junior Staff: Sarah Lynn

Congratulations!!!

Upper Girls Kindness Award

Winner Week 6: Zoe W. (Owls) **Blue Captains:**

Jess Phillips Eli Segal

Pam Tanenbaum

Blue Lieutenants:

Sy K. Zoe N.

Dance Captain:

Sophia Levy

And the 2025 Color War

Winner is...

BLUE REBELS! **Gold Captains:**

Eli Frankel Lexi Reinert

Mindy Rubinlicht

Gold Lieutenants:

Reese B. Scott R.

Dance Captain:

Maddie Tyran

STAFF SPOTLIGHT: This week we feature more of our amazing rookie senior staff members!

SUPERB, SPECTACULAR, SCINTILLATING SWIM STAFF

MARLA BERKOWITZ is excited to be back at Briarwood as staff after taking a long hiatus from her days attending here as a camper! Her favorite thing about Briarwood is the people. During the school year, Marla is a substitute teacher. Her favorite food is anything Italian or Mexican and her favorite movie is Inside Out. The last book she read is Invisible Furies and if she were an animal, she would be a peacock. Most people don't know that she rock climbs in her spare time!

SARAH FRANEK is another first timer here at Briarwood Day Camp and we are so happy to have her! His favorite things about camp are all of the happy kids and camp spirit! During the offseason, Sarah is an office manager/HR for a software company. She loves to eat nachos and have favorite above is Sainfall. If the exact traveller was the world are to trade of the love to the love to eat nachos and



her favorite show is Seinfeld. If she could travel anywhere, she would go to Ireland. If Sarah were an animal, she would be Charli the dog.



BUSY BEES SCIENCE, NATURE AND SENSORY EXPLORATION BY ALEXIS MCNULTY

Our little Busy Bees have been super busy this summer during science and sensory! Even though we kicked off our summer with the hottest of days, we were cooled off by winter and ice! We played with ice in a variety of ways and used ice to make delicious, fresh lemonade in a bag (we even tried doing the same with oranges). DELICIOUS!! Week two we dove into our ocean theme and our Bees absolutely loved transitioning from our fake snow to our ocean sensory bin. In the garden we created mosaic fish. We have learned how a seed grows and all of the things that a seed needs in order to thrive! We planted flowers to decorate our beehive and planted our own pumpkin seeds during Halloween in July week to bring home and plant to see if we can grow our own jack-o'-lanterns! We used recycled old CDs and

DVDs to create spooky spider decorations for our families and of course...the highlight of Halloween week is always making our chocolate, covered Oreo spiders! Dino week was super fun, creating fossils with real clay and making our own dirt or sand during cooking. Bunk show week was a rainbow of colors! The Bees worked hard making their rainbow caterpillars and butterflies. They all LOVE using their droppers, funnels, and test tubes to mix colored water during water play. We will be ending our summer making birdfeeders and everyone's favorite rice crispy treat birds nests! What fun!

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COLOR WAR 2025



Gazelles Have Got It Good! By Sophia Levy

The Gazelles, our amazing sixth-grade girls' bunk, are always on the move and full of energy! From flipping at gymnastics to soaring down the zip line at the rock wall, these girls bring energy and excitement to everything they do! They love playing sports, dominating the gaga pit, and getting creative at arts and crafts — but most of all, they love spending time together. Whether they're laughing during lunch, making up skits at the drama stage, or cheering each other on during sports, the Gazelles know how to make every moment at camp unforgettable. They had a blast going head to head during Color War week, but we can't wait to be one big bunk again next week! JC Penelope and I know that we will cherish these last five days of camp, and we can't wait to be all together again next summer!



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AUGUST 11	AUGUST 12	AUGUST 13	AUGUST 14	AUGUST 15
Happy Birthday Briarwood!!	TIE DIE TUESDAY! Drama Show @ 10:30	Wednesday Themeday: Briarwood Spirit Day All CIT Field Day (offsite) All CIT Late Stay Picnic	Briarwood Marathon	LAST DAY OF CAMP! Early dismissal @ 2:30pm
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Calendar subject to change



You asked for it, you got it! Registration for 2026 is live!

Click on the ENROLL NOW button on our website to lock in the early rate!

Of course, please always feel free to give us a call if you'd like to talk.

DON'T FORGET - we will dismiss an hour early (at 2:30 pm) on Friday, August 15 and we will not have after care that day.

Please make a note!



EARLY DISMISSAL

IF YOUR CAMPER IS LEAVING EARLY,
PLEASE SEND IN A NOTE IN THE
MORNING WITH THE TIME YOU WILL
BE PICKING UP YOUR CAMPER.
THANK YOU!

Even in this spectacularly fantastic and completely amazing last week of camp, PLEASE, PLEASE do not send your camper to Briarwood if he/she is not feeling well.

SOME FRIENDLY BRIARWOOD REMINDERS

- If you want to reach your camper's counselor during the camp day, call the office at 215-598-7143 and we will gladly relay your message. <u>Please do not TEXT or CALL your child's counselor directly during the camp day.</u> Our counselors are busy watching children and we have asked them not to check their phones during the day.
- Early and Late Care is available from 7:30 am-6:00 pm sharp (EXCEPT THE LAST DAY OF CAMP). Please call the office if you will need this service.
- While it never rains at Briarwood, in the event of a passing shower, please send your camper with the appropriate rain gear should the forecast call for rain.
- Everyone should apply sunscreen daily prior to coming to camp.
- . We have a lost and found at camp. It gets pretty full this time of year. Campers' items should be marked or labeled before they come to camp.
- Did you miss a Bugle? You can find past Bugles in the News section of our website.