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AHOY! Welcome to Treasure Island!

Come and join us as we take a voyage through our first week of camp. We'll start with our first day exploring Treasure Island... all the campers with their friendly tour guides (counselors) walked the Island and saw the sights of our swimming quarters, baking spot, Oneg Shabbos, car pool areas, and most importantly, the vicinity of our rest rooms. They also had a chance to meet Morah Yehudis our camp Director; Rochel Klotz, Head of our Specialty Department; Michelle Schwartz, our lifeguard; Boruch Zalman Oppen, assistant to the director and

Shainy & Devorah our dedicated office staff. We also had a yummy pizza lunch and concluded the day with our traditional ice pops.



On our second day we all enjoyed pony and wagon rides and on to exploring Treasure Island on day #3 with a special treasure hunt. All the campers received

maps with an X and together with their counselors had to find the hidden treasures. When found, the treasures were divided amongst the gleeful campers.

On the last day of this week's amazing experience we met two new very important people: Rabbi Meir, Chabad of the Five Towns Youth Director and Morah Sherry Katz our Oneg instructor. Rabbi Meir led an enthralling parsha session, and the children gathered around Morah Sherry for a fabulous Oneg Shabbos with music, dancing and Tasty Treasure Shabbos Snacks.

Howdy Partner!

Howdy Partner! Let me share with you a tale about our trailing Treasure Island on pony back. It was a Wednesday morning and we were sitting around talking and playing with our bunk. Suddenly, we heard a loud piercing

YEEEEHAAAA! We jumped from our spots and ran to see what's going on. We stood there frozen in place as we watched Morah Yehudis ride around on a pony waving her big straw hat and asking us to join her. As we quickly formed

a line to ride the pony, our counselors handed out a beautiful Camp Gan Israel T Shirt with the new colorful Gan Israel logo. What an amazing experience it was as we all had a chance to enjoy a pony and wagon ride around Treasure Island.

A Word from our Director



Collecting Treasure on the Island!

Wow! What a fantastic start to an incredible summer! Camp Gan Israel was in full swing this week following the theme of 'Treasure Island'. We all introduced ourselves with our bunk names: Kosher Coins, Pushka Pearls, Shabbos Gems and Davening Diamonds.

The campers truly "shone" this week like glistening gems on an Island. It was a pleasure to greet old faces and get to meet new faces!

Exploring our island is truly a dazzling experience. We loved swimming, sports, music & movement, singing, arts & crafts, playing, biking, a treasure hunt, pony & wagon rides, decorating our own treasure box, yummy treats, our Shabbos Oneg and lots, lots of fun.

This was a quieter week just to get our 'treasures' used to camp! Just wait till ya see what we have in store for the coming weeks!! Can't wait to see you all next

week and explore our next map together.

Have a great Shabbos!
Yehudis Oppen.



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Hunting for Treasures

This past Thursday the campers went on a treasure hunt around Treasure Island. With a lantern, rope, shovel and other tools they were set on their hunting for treasure journey. Behind the bulky boulders, under the huge trees and around the beautiful garden the campers with their counselors searched and searched until they hit the treasure. Gold coins and jewels were just a few of the valuable treasures which were found on Treasure Island. After the extensive search the campers went back to their quarters to decorate their very own treasure box which was then filled with yummy treasures.

Camp Theme Song

Decorating our very own treasure chests!
WOW!



It's a camp of laughter, a camp of fun,

For me Gan Israel is the only one,

It's a camp for me, it's a camp for you

It's a camp for every Jew.

It's a great camp after all,

We will miss you in the fall,

It's a great camp after all,

Machanzynu Gan Izzy.

A Word from the Rabbi



Dear Parents, Campers & Staff of CGI,

It has been a pleasure watching your children truly enjoying every moment of Camp Gan Israel during our first few days of the summer session.

In this week's Torah portion we learn about the gift of the Levites to the Kohen (priest). The Torah tells us of the quality requirement, stating that the gift of produce etc. must be "Mikol Chelbo" from its choicest portion,

which we give to the priest who represents G-d in receiving these gifts.

Here at Camp Gan Israel, we feel the same way when it comes to giving our campers a most meaningful experience. Our wonderful directors and staff fully devote themselves providing the children with the best experience on the highest standards, both materially and spiritually.

Shabbat Shalom & a Good Chodesh,
Rabbi Zalman Wolowik

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Featured Program: Summer Sports

At Camp Gan Israel, sports is an integral part of our curriculum. We focus on balance, coordination, dribbling, teamwork, sportsman-

ship, gross motor skills and the usual passing and catching.

This is done through activities such as basketball, hockey,

soccer, parachutes, activity hoops and of course swimming.



A Peek at Next Week



Monday, July 4th

No Camp : (

Tuesday, July 5th

Bubby, Zaidy, Baby Day dress up
(you can pick any one)

Wednesday, July 6th

Our Magical Moments Magic Show
Nature

Thursday, July 7th

Team treasures

Baking

Friday, July 8th

Special Water Sports

Oneg Shabbos



Did You Know?



Camp Gan Israel of the Five Towns is part of the largest and fastest growing network of Jewish day camps in the world. Gan Israel enjoys a well-earned reputation as a trendsetter with innovative ideas, creative programs and new activities.