



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF NEWPORT COUNTY

MISS SOPHIA'S

NEWSLETTER



This Week At Camp...

This week, the Club welcomed a special guest and entomologist (a person who studies bugs), Alana Russell, from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Study. During her visit, Alana spoke about invasive species in the Ocean State, and then Club kids spent the week discovering more about these invasive species as well as researching bugs.



Partners

Shoutout to **CYFAR** for running the **StRide Project**, focused on STEAM activities and healthy living for Club Kids!



What is CYFAR?

CYFAR stands for Children, Youth, & Families at Risk. For additional info please scan the **QR Code!**



Last Week At Camp...

Last week, Group 5+6 had a chance to examine different plants and delved into biology. They also conducted a bacteria investigation and explored different planting methods including how to use food scraps to regrow produce in their own kitchens. They are currently in the process of growing scallions at the Club.





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This week, campers planned out their service-learning projects by answering the question, "How would YOU help your community?" Campers wrote down a number of ways they could help their community and decided to build care kits for the **McKinney Cooperative Shelter**, donate to the **Women's Resource Center**, and organize a fundraiser to help those affected by the fires in Hawaii.



Partners

Shoutout to **CYFAR (Children, Youth & Families at Risk)** for holding their final lesson of the summer! Campers got to play a fun game to show off their knowledge of everything they've learned from the program.



Field Trip!

We'd like to thank our community partner at the **Newport Art Museum** for giving our campers a tour of the Griswold House and Cushing Building AND for gifting campers with art kits.



Last Week At Camp...

Last week, Groups 5+6 researched about the ocean and made lots of art. Campers created blowfish using plastic forms and paint and then learned about how fish breathe underwater. They concluded their research on the ocean by also making their own coral reefs and watching "Dory."





MISS NINA & MR. ZACH'S NEWSLETTER



Week 3: Bugs

This week's theme was "Bugs". Ms. Alana from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management: Forest Division came to visit with some crawly critters. During her visit, members learned how to use an app to identify bugs, and also learned about some invasive bug species in our area.



Bugs Continued....

Over the past few weeks, Club kids have also been watching baby monarch caterpillars hatch from small eggs and turn into big and bright caterpillars before they found their way into their light green chrysalis' with gold specks!



Week 4: Plants

During "Plants" week, members used mortar and pestles to create their own natural paints. They used strawberries, blueberries, kiwi, turmeric powder, and instant coffee as pigments, and honey and water as a base. Club Kids got to use the homemade natural paints on their personal sheets of paper that they had made prior. Members had so much fun completing this process where we learned how to be creative and sustainable!



Stay tuned for more updates on our Reading Reaps Rewards (R3) programming!

Week 3+4 of Reading Reaps Rewards (R3)

Groups 3 & 4