



SUMMER SNAPSHOT

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SEE YOU NEXT SUMMER!

Today marks the end of our 2021 Summer at Friends camp, our 61st camp season. While camp this summer faced unique challenges, I speak for the entire camp staff when I say, we were delighted to have campers on campus for eight weeks of fun and friendship. I want to personally thank our staff members who have worked tirelessly to provide a safe, nurturing, enriching and fun-filled summer program, and we thank you, parents, for choosing Summer at Friends.

I enjoyed watching friends, old and new, having fun and enjoying the 39 best days of summer! I have witnessed intentional acts of kindness: a camper offering an extra white shirt to a fellow camper who forgot to bring one on tie-dye day; a camper offering a beautifully decorated paper plate to a friend who had just come back from a nurse visit for a boo-boo on his leg – saying, “I missed you and want you to feel better soon”; a counselor singing with a group of campers as they walked through a sudden downpour of rain; campers and camp families participating in our “Camp Kindness Day” celebration by donating over 1000 items to our food drive for the CARES food pantry in Govans!

Planning for camp 2022 has already begun and, as the camp song says, “We’ll meet again next Summer at Friends”!

Sincerely,

Sue Cusick

Summer Programs Coordinator

I feel so lucky

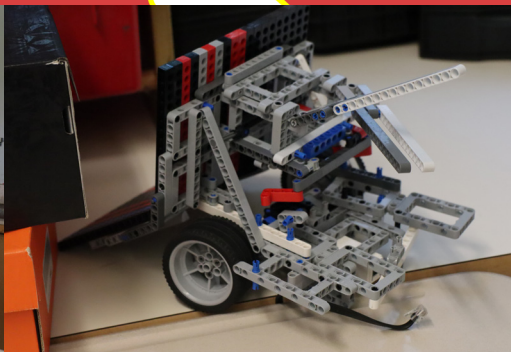
coming back to camp each summer. That was no different this year! Over the past eight weeks our campers and staff have accomplished so many things! Many of our campers earned a Swim Card, with several getting all the way to Level 5! Our campers learned new songs and new musical words, honed their art skills, and many made dramatic improvements in tennis, just to name a few! Today we celebrated the end of the camp - recognizing the amazing friendships created over these 39 days of summer. Each Summer we award the "Spirit of Summer at Friends Award" to a group that best displays camp spirit and community. This year's award went to Intermediate Camp Group 1!



Steve Cusick
Director

We also announced the winner of this year's Color Rush Challenge! After almost daily lead changes, the Yellow Team pulled ahead and won the first ever Color Rush!

On behalf of our staff, I wish you a safe, healthy, and fun school year, and I hope to see you all next summer!



COUNSELOR OF THE DAY

Each day we celebrate counselors, lifeguards, and other staff members who go above and beyond to make camp awesome! Counselors are nominated by campers or directors and recognized with a commemorative "tree cookie".



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