

BROOKSIDE & BROOKSIDE TOTS DAY CAMP

Week 1
Recap!

Dear Brookside & Tots Families,

We are thrilled that summer camp has officially begun!

As you stroll through the hallways of Brookside and Tots Day Camp, the sound of laughter and the forging of new friendships fills the air!

Each week, we'll share highlights from the activities your camper experiences. Don't forget to ask your camper about their favorite part of camp, the new friends they've made, or what they've learned each day.

We eagerly await meeting new campers every week, and welcoming back those who are with us all summer. At summer camp, memories are made that last a lifetime!

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Brookside & Tots Director

Daily Items & Reminders

- Water bottle
- Bathing Suit
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Closed-toe shoes

Please **label** your camper's items!

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Week 2's theme is...

WACKY WEEK

TUESDAY (6/25) - Inside Out / Backwards Day

WEDNESDAY (6/26) - Mismatch Day

FRIDAY (6/28) - Crazy Hat / Hair Day

Pool & Water Fun Schedule

BROOKSIDE POOL & WATER FUN SCHEDULE

MONDAY / WEDNESDAY -

Pandas, Kangaroos, Cheetahs & Polar Bears

TUESDAY / THURSDAY -

Penguins, Lions, Elephants & Dinos

FRIDAY -

Water Fun for **all** Brookside Campers

TOTS

Water Fun **EVERYDAY!**

Brookside Music

This week in Brookside Music, the campers explored how music can weave narratives using tempo and dynamics. They also explored how movement with a parachute can vividly illustrate the stories conveyed through songs! Even with all that fun, the highlight of the week was when the campers learned the song, 'Sunny Weather, Breezy Weather'. Next week, the campers will become "boomwhacker detectives," as they dive into pitch variation, intervals, and rhythmic patterns.

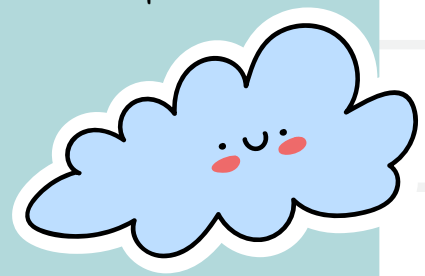


Brookside Drama

This week in Brookside Drama, the campers learned about moving and acting without speaking. To practice, they played games like 'Animal Walk' and 'Charades.' The campers also made scenes of different places, such as parks and grocery stores. Next week, the campers will focus on puppetry. Each camper will make a puppet, then work together with their group to write poems for puppet performances!

Brookside Art

This week in Brookside Art, the campers celebrated rainbow week with a burst of creativity crafting collages, pom-poms, and tie-dyed tote bags. Next week promises even more excitement as campers create Zentangle Drawings, transforming them into sculptures inspired by artist Charles McGee. Additionally, the campers will create self portraits in the style of Pablo Picasso. Stay tuned for more fun updates!



Brookside Science

This week in Brookside Science, the campers had hands-on experience with light by exploring how it travels, bends (refracts), and bounces (reflects). The campers also discovered how microscopes use these principles to create visible images. After a demonstration, the campers ventured into the courtyard with magnifying glasses and excitedly shared their discoveries with each other. Next week, the campers will learn about the states of matter and make slime!



Brookside Special

This week in Brookside Drama, the campers explored the colors of the rainbow through the creation of their very own heart rainbow! The campers showcased their creativity by coloring, cutting, and gluing a variety of hearts that were connected under fluffy cotton ball clouds. The week then wrapped up with some exciting rounds of animal bingo! Next week, the campers will create wacky portraits and unique rooms.



Brookside STEM

This week in Brookside STEM, the campers explored creative thinking inspired by the book "Not a Box." During their first activity the campers were introduced to foundational STEM concepts. Then, during their second activity, the campers used their imagination to transform shapes into inventive designs. Finally, the campers wrapped up the week by inventing something new using just a popsicle stick. Next week, the campers will jump into the exciting world of simple machines.





Tots Art

This week in Tots Art, the campers had a colorful exploration of the rainbow and its sequence. In their first lesson, the campers made bracelets using Fruit Loops. Then, the campers created fish using celery as stamps for their scales. The older campers practiced arranging colors in rainbow order, while the younger ones had a blast with painting. Finally, to wrap up the week, the campers used Q-tips to paint rainbows surrounded by fluffy cotton clouds, reinforcing rainbow order and fine motor skills!

****Be on the lookout for your camper's fish artwork! You'll probably need to free up some space in your fridge to display their creations.**

Tots Science

This week in Tots Science, the campers had a blast exploring rainbow fizzing colors with baking soda and vinegar, getting creative with fluffy slime, and enjoying a colorful nature walk! Next week, the campers will explore some more exciting science experiments that are sure to spark curiosity and wonder!

Tots Music

This week in Tots music, the campers began learning their welcome and goodbye songs! The campers also learned how to express themselves with creative movement, and how to keep the steady beat with a special guest...Mickey Mouse! Next week, the campers will continue developing creative movement skills, listening and responding to music, and begin partner and group folk dancing.

Brookside & Tots Morning Cheer

B-R-O-O-K-S-I-D-E

Brookside, Brookside for you and me
Let's have fun each and every day
So put a smile on and have a great day!



Tots Drama

This week in Tots Drama, the campers practiced their listening skills through a number of fun games! During the game, "Cross the Street," the campers demonstrated their creative and imaginary skills by acting out animals, people, and beloved characters! Next week, the campers will learn about the importance of teamwork as they play games involving partners. The goal of these activities are to help the campers hone in on their creativity while also developing skills that they use every day.



Tots STEM

This week in Tots STEM, the campers learned about the colors of the rainbow and how primary colors can be mixed to make secondary colors. Next week, the campers will learn about the cycles of nature. This will include learning about seasons, the life of a bug, and the life of a seed!



Tots Sports

This week in Tots Sports, the campers had a blast playing balloon volleyball and pool noodle hockey. These enjoyable activities helped campers practice their balance and hand-eye coordination. Next week, the campers will continue exploring more games such as bowling and variations of bean bag toss. These activities are designed to practice their aiming skills and promote camper self-regulation!

