## Summer times



Newsletter of the John F. Kennedy International School Summer Camp, Schönried 2009

### Friends From Around The World













































#### Ms. Denise's Thoughts on July

I think about July and it reminds me of the perfect mountain hike that the campers enjoy so much. It started off as a new experience and after some time to get comfortable, it slowly progressed to some more challenges and as a camp we were able to succeed and provide an amazing program for the special campers who called this place home for three weeks.



#### Ms. Denise's Thoughts on August

The past three weeks have been nothing but magical. The smiles, laughs and friendships that were seen, heard and formed will forever hold a special place in my heart. As the first director for the Schönried Camp I leave here feeling proud of the program that JFK set out to provide for these international campers. I would like to thank the 10 AMAZING counsellors for their hard work and dedication for making camp memorable for each and every camper. I would like to send Mr. Jack and Ms. Therese a huge kiss for giving us food to fuel our active bodies. This program is possible because of Mr. Brian and his continued patience of my many questions. I can not forget the beautiful Ms. Cathy for her hard work and consistency to ensure that an outstanding summer camp is provided for each child. Summer Camp is a special place were magical things happen for each individual. It can not be explained in words only felt from within the heart. I know that August 2009 was made special because of 32 outstanding campers from around the world.



**July Campers** 



**August Campers** 

### Interest Groups

#### **Tennis**

Tennis is made by a group of children that sign up for it. The people that ran this activity are the following people: Mr. Emil and Mr. Jeff who is a counsellor; he is working here with us and he is one of our lovely staff. In tennis they teach you how to forward hand, back hand, smash, volley and Nicolás Foncillas, Spain





J'ai bien aime les lecons de tennis avec Mr. Phil et Mr. Emil. J'ai beaucoup affris. Aussi C'etait unu grand plausir de jouer le double avec mon ami Matthew. Tout etait superbe et merci a tous!

Jack Sieff, UK

#### **Rock Climbing**

C'est ma troisieme annee au summer camp de JFK et de novewu J'ai prefere de m'inscrire a L'escalade. C'e tait superbe comme chaque annee, et phantastique. Merci Mille fois Monsieur Jeff. Rory Hughes, Scotland

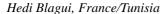
Rock climbing is so cool, you need to be fast and you can't be scared of heights. Also, you need to see if the wall that you are going to climb is safe. You think that it's easy but sometimes it's



very hard. Bosco Foncillas, Spain

#### **Mountain biking**

Mountain biking is one of my favorite hobbies. My friend Amir is very fast and very good, Felipe and Felix too. I like Mr. Dustin and Ms. Hazel because they are very good mountain bikers and they are funny too.





#### **Archery**

Archery is great with Mr. Armando. In archery we get points for hitting the bull's eye. At the end of camp, we add up all of the points. The winner gets a prize.



Ernest Molner Marti, Andorra

#### **Gymnastics and Break Dancing**

Gymnastics is awesome! We did it in the Saanen gym. We put mats on the floor and we did kart wheels, rolls, handstands...Our teachers were Ms. Emily and Ms. Erin. We enjoyed all of our classes!

Carmen Sangro, Spain



I did break dancing, it was very fun and interesting. We learned how to do the wave, moon walk, and different stalls. I love break dancing.

Arina Plastova, Russia



#### **Arts and Crafts**

Arts and crafts is one of the seven interest groups at camp this year. The first day we did a journal and it's very nice. The second day we made a bracelet and we did a painting like Jackson Pollock. It's so cool! The third day we did some paper mache. Our teacher is Ms. Emily she is great.

Lucia Sangro, Spain



This year I did arts and crafts. My teacher was Ms. Emily. I made a lot of things. I made paper mache and bracelets. Arts and crafts is so much fun!

Aline Bernasconi, Italy

#### **Karate & Kick Boxing**

I do karate and kick boxing with Ms. Stacie and Ms. Tania.

I have learned how to block, kick, punch and we are working on falls. The people in my class are Elena, Francesca R., Francesca M. and Rory. For karate you have to wear running shoes and sport clothes. Karate is



a martial art, that is really fun! Perico Montaner, Spain

#### **Crocheting**

For interest groups, I chose crocheting. I took crocheting because I wanted to make a present for my brother and I did it! I made a small orange bag, for an ipod and a scarf. Ms. Erin is a fun teacher for crocheting.

Sophya Kebets, Russia

## Language Classes & Exciting Activities

#### **English 1 with Mr Jeff**

English 1 is very nice. In class we play memory and do a lot of spelling. I had fun in class with my classmates.

Bea Guarda Nardini, Italy





#### **English 3 with Ms Stacie**

In English, we have to write an interesting journal about our day or recent activities. We learn new vocabulary about special things we do. I like Ms. Stacie's class, but not homework.

Ruby Reich, Germany

#### **English 2 with Ms Erin**

In English class I like different stories and memory games. In my class my teacher is very cute. I had lots of fun and also learned new things at the same time. I learned new words and expressions making me peak more bravely with English-speaking people. I think its my favorite class.

By Nikita Kryuchin, Russia

#### **English 4 with Ms Denise**

I am in English 4 with Nico, Lucia, Eleonora, Bruno. We do spelling, D.E.A.R (drop everything and read!) and a journal. The topics are sometimes really weird like what would happen if it would rain cats and dogs or which three rules would you make if you were a world leader and all that cool stuff. My English improved a lot.

Max Reibestein, Netherlands







#### French 2 with Ms Beatrice

French lessons at JFK have helped me a lot when I do french at school. When I was at school I was really struggling with "avoir" and "etre" but now I find it a lot easier.

Lorne Campbell, UK

#### French 1 with Mr Armando

This summer I was in Mr. Armando's French class. In this class we did several activities that were both fun and educational . We did things like: crosswords, dictations, charades, learned new vocabulary and grammar. My favorite activities was charades because we learned new vocabulary and then we had to act it out and the other people had to guess in French! Mr Armando is a great teacher. He speaks 4 languages fluently and also speaks a little of many languages. French is really cool and I really had fun and enjoyed it!

Vanja Rybalchenko, Russia





Rafting
Awesome
Fast Paddling
Teamwork
Ice Cold
Nearly There
Gorge

#### La Sarouche Overnight

For our first overnight we went to La Sarouche. We played lots of fun games and went to an interesting museum about Michael Horn. He went around the world without using a motor. I thought that was pretty cool. Before bedtime we sat around the campfire and sang lots of funny songs and ate our delicious Smores. It was an experience I'll never forget! *Evgenia Mayacou, Greece* 



#### **River Rafting**

We went rafting during the first week of camp. It was a brilliant experience. Our rafting company was H2O Experience in Gstaad. The water was really cold but with adrenaline it wasn't that cold to me. I liked it because our team worked together, without this, rafting would not be fun. *Pavel Korolev, Russia* 



## International Rescue Day

For International Rescue we played games, rock climbed and went on a zip line. We cooked hot dogs and marshmallows over the fire for lunch.

J.B. Lecourt, Monaco



## Campers Reflections on July







#### In the eyes of a returning camper

It is the seventh year for me and I enjoyed every minute of it like every single year. I made new friends from Russia, Greece and Spain. I had a lovely time in the language classes this year. I loved all the leaders. I really had a good time rafting especially when most of Group 2 jumped into the freezing water! One of the best things about this camp is the Interest Groups, shopping and movie nights! This camp will be unforgettable! I had so much fun!

Emmanuela Rokofyllos, Greece



#### In the eyes of a new camper. . .

This year I went to camp with my friends. It was my first time at JFK so it was a new experience for me. While I was sick I enjoyed it a lot because I wasn't in bed, instead I was listening to music with my friends. Mr. Dustin was so funny and cool he even learned some Greek. I will never forget. I also met new friends at camp and new ways to stand up for myself. I missed my brother and sister so much. Everyday was a different experience. Mr Armando's French class was the best.

Marily Karageorgiou, Greece



#### One thing I won't ever forget is...

This July will be unforgettable. When I first came I was very shy and I didn't have any friends but after I met a lot of friends. I really enjoyed the day we went rafting. I will never forget it.

Christianna Rokofyllos, Greece

JFK will be an unforgettable experience. All the classes, overnights, trips will stay with me throughout my life. Here I made lots of friends with the kids and believe it or not you make friends with the counsellors too!

Danae Alogoskoufi, Greece



#### I love camp...

I had a great time at JFK this year. Except of the fact that I got sick! It was my third time at camp. I saw lots of my old friends. The Schönried camp is a different experience, that I enjoyed a lot.

Elenora Levis, Greece

#### The counsellors...

The counsellors were great, they were so funny and we had a great time with them. They were just amazing!!I would really like to come again next year! JFK Forever!!!.

Danae Theocharaki, Greece

## July Memories



# Campers Reflections on August







#### **Swimming**

We had swimming every few day. Sometimes it was free swim, and some times swimming lessons. Free swim was very fun! The swimming lessons were tiring but we learned a lot. The pool party was really fun!

Felix Guggenheim, Germany/CH



As a returning camper, I've noticed so many changes to JFK this year. The first change is the buildings. Now the building for the older children is in Schönried. The advantages of the new building are; the spectacular view, more space and better rooms. Also, the activities are more challenging. The hikes are more difficult, but beautiful. I have really enjoyed JFK this year and I hope to come again next year.

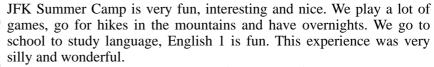
Evita Marioglou, Greece



#### In the eyes of a new camper . . .

I'm a new camper here at JFK. At the beginning I didn't want to be here, but then I got impressed because I met such nice people! I think it's so cool the meet people from all over the world, you can teach them something about your country and you can learn something about them. I like staying here also because we do many fun activities and sports.

Elena Sotgiu, Italy



Nicole Trovato, Italy



#### One thing I won't ever forget is . . .

I will never forget the second Adventure Day. We went river rafting in the Saanen River. It was so much fun, especially because we all had to work together! The cold, water was refreshing to jump in. It was funny when the counsellors, Mr. Phil and Ms. Erin, pulled each other into the water. Rafting was one of the best days of my life and thats why I will never forget it.

Jamy Reich, Germany

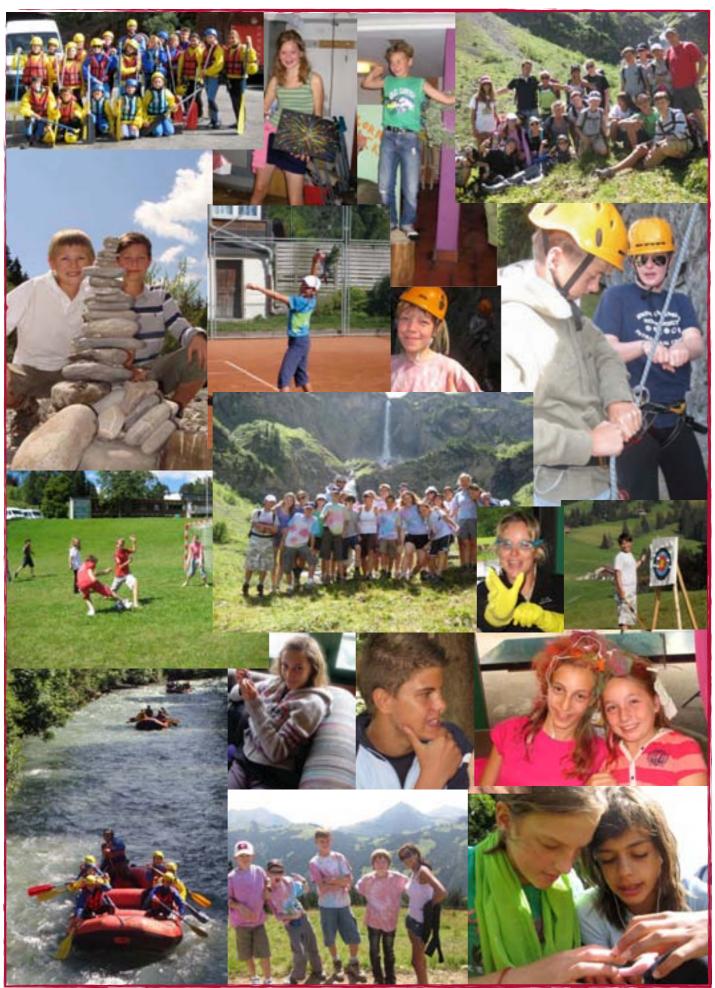


#### I love camp ...

The thing that I mostly love about camp is archery because I like hitting the bull's eye. I haven't hit the bull's eye yet this year, but I hit the black region which is worth 500 points. I had so much fun with Mr. Dustin, who kept missing the target and Mr. Armando who kept score. I love archery and I hope I can come back again next year.

Farouk Tamer, Saudi Arabia

## **August Memories**





#### **Camper review of Schönried Camp**

In the Schönried camp there are students from 11 to 15 years old, where as Saanen camp is for students 6-10 years old. In Schönried camp we have different activities from the Saanen camp because the two camps share the school house. This is the first year that we have the Schönried camp. It's located in Schönried at the Mountain Lodge. I think that this new camp is better fro the older students because it is bigger and because the activities are more for our age.

Francesca Raffaelli, Italy

This year there is a new summer camp, the Schönried summer camp. The Schönried camp is dedicated to camper from 11 to 15, where as last year everyone was mixed in the Saanen camp. It's nice we still have soccer field, basketball net, there is a lounge with big comfortable couches and seats. It's more fun than last year because we no more "extreme" activities such as, river rafting and adventure days. There are new cool interest groups like karate and breakdancing. The camp has really changed in a good way. It is more fun!

Amir Bukhari-Benz, Switzerland



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