

Town of Newstead Summer Recreation Program Continues with Another Exciting Week

During Week 2 of the Town of Newstead Summer Recreation Program, participants enjoyed another exciting week filled with sports, swimming, arts and crafts, and special activities despite having to adjust plans because of poor air quality.

Throughout the week, participants enjoyed a variety of creative art projects, including finger painting, tissue paper painting, watercolor painting, and decorating picture frames. These hands-on activities gave children the opportunity to express their creativity while creating keepsakes to take home.

Gym time featured a variety of active team games, including Gaga Ball, Capture the Flag, Dodgeball, and Kickball. These activities encouraged teamwork, communication, sportsmanship, and plenty of fun. During sports, kids focused on learning the fundamentals of both field hockey and floor hockey, developing new skills while enjoying friendly competition.

During swim time, participants continued building confidence in the water by practicing safe jumps from the side of the pool, using the diving blocks, and the diving board while continuing to strengthen their overall swimming skills.

This week's Core Value focused on Fairness, encouraging participants to treat others with respect, play by the rules, include everyone, and demonstrate good sportsmanship in every activity.

Unfortunately, poor air quality required the Recreation Department to modify Friday's scheduled field trip to Russell Park and the Newstead Public Library. Instead, all activities were relocated to the library, where participants enjoyed a wonderful day of crafts, board games, indoor games, building with Legos, reading, making friendship bracelets, playing cards, exploring the library, and checking out books.

One of the highlights of the visit was a special magic show presented by Mike Seege, whose performance captivated children and staff alike with an entertaining mix of magic, laughter, and audience participation.

The Town of Newstead Recreation Department extends its sincere appreciation to Christine and the entire staff at the Newstead Public Library for welcoming the program. Their flexibility, generosity, and hospitality ensured the children had a safe, enjoyable, and memorable experience despite the last-minute change in plans.

The Recreation Department also thanks all of the families for their continued support and flexibility throughout the summer.

As we look ahead to another exciting week, participants will be learning the fundamentals of Basketball as our Sport of the Week while exploring the importance of Honesty, our Core Value of the Week. Friday's field trip will take participants to Destroyer Park Golf, where they'll enjoy a fun day of miniature golf, outdoor recreation, teamwork, and making lasting summer memories.

We look forward to another exciting week of summer fun as the Town of Newstead Recreation Department continues its commitment to promoting fitness and fun for everyone!