

**WINTER 2023** 



# A Letter from the Garfinkels

Dear Kids, Parents and Families,

Alright, the countdown continues...who else is counting down the days until SUMMER 2023?! I know that our team certainly is, and after reuniting with our camp family at Dave and Busters, summer is feeling closer and closer! Each year we aim to make camp even MORE fun and special than the year before. Our team has been talking about summer fun all year long, and we can't wait to make it a reality in less than 150 days!

We are so excited about all of the returning campers and counselors that are soon to be back together on our campgrounds. We also want to give the warmest Lindenmere welcome to so many new campers and counselors that will join our CL family!! It is certain that everyone is in for the summer of a lifetime!!!

## SUMMER 2023, WE ARE READY FOR YOU!

With love, Mitch, Hayley, and Kyle

# 2023 Recap WINTER REUNION



## NOT LONG UNTIL WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN!

What an amazing day at Dave & Buster's! It's always great to get together with our camp family in the off-season. It warms our hearts to see the excitement and happiness on our returning campers' faces as they reunite with their camp friends. We love to hear about all the get-togethers that have happened since camp. Seeing all of your smiles and hearing your laughs as you played arcade games and won prizes, brought us back to those summer days spent with bunkmates and camp friends. We can't wait for our new camp friends and family to join us at next year's.

We hope you loved getting your Lindenmere hats. Wear them proudly this winter to keep you warm and show off your love for Lindenmere. Our Winter Reunion truly helps the long off-season feel shorter, and helps us strengthen one of the most rewarding communities to be a part of - CAMP! We hope everyone that was able to attend had the best of times, and we missed everyone that was unable to join us. You were with us in (camp) spirit - especially as the 2022 highlights videos played on the big screens around Dave & Buster's. We are now looking forward to the first day of camp when we are reunited for Summer 2023!





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# **CAMP LINDENMERE**

# **SPIRIT DAYS 2023**



EVERY WEDNESDAY AT CAMP IS A CHANCE FOR YOU TO STRUT YOUR STUFF DURING OUR SPIRIT DAYS! GET WILD, WEIRD AND WACKY AND SHOW US YOUR BEST OUTFITS!

## JUNE 28TH JERSEY DAY

PUT ON YOUR TEAMS COLORS AS WE SHOW OFF OUR FAVORITE TEAMS!

## JULY 19TH SAFARI DAY

SHOW US YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL AS WE AIM TO BRING A CRAZY SAFARI TO CAMP!

## JULY 4TH NATIONS DAY

IT'S OUR INDEPENDENCE DAY AND WE WANT TO SEE YOU SHOW YOUR COUNTRY'S COLORS!

## JULY 26TH WILD WEST DAY

IT'S TIME TO PUT ON YOUR COWBOY BOOTS AND HAT AS WE THROW IT BACK TO THE OLD WEST!

## JULY 5TH PAJAMA DAY

HAVE YOU EVER JUST WANTED TO STAY IN YOUR PJ'S ALL DAY, THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!

### AUGUST 2ND TIE-DYE DAY

EVERYONE WANTS TO SHOW OFF THEIR TIE-DYE, LET'S SEE YOUR COOL DESIGNS!

## JULY 12TH NEON DAY

MAKE SURE TO PACK YOUR BRIGHTEST CLOTHING AS YOU AND YOUR BUNK SHINE TOGETHER!

## AUGUST 9TH TWIN DAY

GRAB YOUR CAMP FRIENDS AND MAKE SOME MATCHING OUTFITS!

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# **2022 WINNERS: RED GRYFFINDOR**

# A few MAJOR updates!

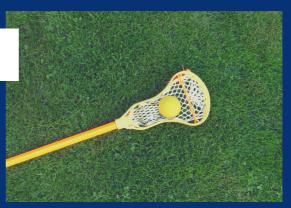


## PICKLEBALL

As one of the fastest-growing sports in America, it's time for us to step up our Pickleball game!! During the major, you will learn all shot types and even about the kitchen (it will start to make sense)!

## LACROSSE

Whether you are a seasoned player or a beginner wanting to try something new, our Lacrosse major is perfect to learn the basics, develop your skills or advance your game!





## **SMALL CRAFTS**

At the Lake this summer, Small Crafts will teach you more in-depth skills about our different boats. Each week, there will be specific sessions about each watercraft: kayaks, canoes, corcls, pedal boats and stand-up paddle boards!"

# FIELD HOCKEY

It's just another Olympic sport you can try at Lindenmere. Field Hockey is a great team sport, played all over the world and now you can enjoy it at your Summer Home. Learn how to flick, push, scoop, and drive passes.





# DJ

This summeer, campers will have the opportunity to learn how to mix tracks and put on a spectacular musical performance. Our DJs will be performing at our end-of-session Dance too!

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## S'MORES BITES FROM JO JO!

Prep Time : 10 minutes Cook Time : 6

Servings: 24 bites!

## **Ingredients:**

- 7 graham crackers/digestive biscuits
- 6 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar
- 2 1.55 ounce Hershey bars, broken into squares
- 12 marshmallows, cut in half

Enjoy!!! Thanks for this sweet recipe, JoJo!!

## Method: Preheat the oven to 350'F

- 1. Preheat oven to 350'F
- 2. Crush the graham crackers finely using a food processor or a ziplock bag and a rolling pin.
- 3. In a small bowl, mix together the graham crackers, butter, and powdered sugar. Scoop about one teaspoon of the graham cracker mixture into 24 wells of a mini muffin tin and use your fingers to press the crumbs down.
- 4. Bake for 4 minutes, then remove from the oven. Add a piece of chocolate to each well of the muffin tin and top with half a marshmallow. Return to the oven and cook for an additional 2 minutes, or until the marshmallows have softened.
- 5. Remove from the oven and let cool for a few minutes before enjoying a little taste of summer!

# **STAFF SPOTLIGHT 2023**





# Assistant Athletic Director

# Debby Armstrong

Hometown: Wayne, PA!

What do you do when not at camp?: I am a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

How long have you been at Camp Lindenmere?: This will be my 9th summer!

What were your previous roles?: Last year, I was a Tennis Instructor and Bunk Counselor and, for my seven other summers, I was a camper.

Hobbies: Tennis, Baking, and Hiking!

**Unique talent?:** I can bake chocolate chip cookies without a recipe (we will be putting this to the test)!

What are you most excited about for Summer 2023? I am excited to see all my campers again and make even more memories together!





# Head of Lake

# Fernando Lopez

Hometown: Puebla!

What do you do when not at camp?: Travel! I also run a social media marketing agency with my brother and play soccer!

How long have you been at Camp Lindenmere?: This is gonna be my 3rd summer.

**Hobbies:** Surfing, swimming, soccer, reading, and social media content creation.

**Unique talent?:** I can eat whatever I want without gaining weight!

What are you most excited about for Summer 2023?: Hanging out with my kids again, meeting all the amazing new staff, and being more involved in lake and pool activities!

Any other random fact about yourself that you want to share?: I don't like cheese





# Dance Counselor & Bunk Counselor

# Mariana Lopez

You guessed it, Fernando's sister!

What is your role at camp?: Dance instructor and Bunk Counselor!

What do you do when not at camp?: I'm currently at college studying Tourism Administration!

How long have you been at Camp Lindenmere?: This is gonna be my 2nd summer (following my family tradition).

**Hobbies:** Running, volleyball, basketball, singing, dancing, and cooking.

**Unique talent?:** I don't know if this counts but I have the unique ability to socialize with anybody!

What are you most excited about for Summer 2023?: Seeing my junior girls from last summer, and meeting all the new campers and counselors!





# Ropes Instructor & Bunk Counselor

# Çonor "Mac" Macdonald

Hometown: Galway (Ireland)

# What do you do when not at camp?:

I love to play rugby and football and watch lots of movies,!

How long have you been at Camp Lindenmere?: This will be my second summer at camp and I can't wait to get back!

Hobbies: Cold-sea swimming!

**Unique talent?:** I can catch 100 out of 100 pieces of popcorn (or any candy) in my mouth.

What are you most excited about for Summer 2023?: Seeing all my campers and camp family!

Any other random fact about yourself that you want to share?: I can juggle with my eyes closed! (Just don't stand too close)!

## JO'S WINTER

Craft Project

# Upcycle No Sew Drawstring Bag

Do you have a sweatshirt or a t-shirt that you no longer wear but makes you smile? Or a camp shirt that no longer fits. Well, why not turn it into a one-of-a-kind drawstring bag ready for camp? This project is a no-sew project all you need is a little time!

## All you need is:

- One old t-shirt or sweatshirt
- Ruler
- Pencil or marker
- Cord or long shoelaces
- Safety pin

Here is a great YouTube video to show you how to do this project and look forward to seeing some of your bags at camp for Trip Day! <u>WATCH</u> <u>THIS</u> <u>VIDEO</u>

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# THE RUBBER EGG EXPERIMENT



# **ALL YOU NEED:**

- 1 empty jam jar or a drinking glass
- 1 raw egg
- White vinegar
- Food coloring this is optional
- Plastic gloves this is optiona

# **Instructions:**

- 1. Place the raw egg carefully into the bottom of your jar or glass. If you came to the Fall Festival and have your Camp Lindenmere glass you can use that.
- 2. Pour in the vinegar so that it covers the egg by at least a ¼ of an inch. The reason for this is your egg is going to expand and float!
- 3. If you would like your egg to turn into a different color add five drops of food coloring and mix so that it is well blended.
- 4. Check the egg after 24 hours and you will see it has swollen, has bubbles all around it, and has floated to the top of the vinegar.
- 5. Carefully rotate the egg in the vinegar so the top now facing down and then leave it for at least 30 hours.
- 6. Put on your gloves if you are using them. Take your egg to your sink and slowly pour away the vinegar. Reach inside the glass and remove your egg using running water wipe away at the surface of the egg to remove any remaining gunk!
- 7. Your egg should feel rubbery and translucent. If you added to dye the egg will have absorbed that color into the membrane.
- 8. Now in the sink or a plate, you can gently drop your rubber egg. If you drop from too high your egg will break open so be careful!!!

The science that has taken place is so cool. So the vinegar (acetic acid) has dissolved the shell which is calcium carbonate. The bubbles (Co2 gas ) that you saw were the byproduct of that reaction! Have fun!