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KEVUTZA WEEK 1

TAKING OFF TO GREATNESS

For weeks, we counted down the days until Camp Kevutza would finally begin. We looked forward to the sports, the leagues, the ruach, the trips and activities, and of course, spending time with old friends while getting to know plenty of new ones. We imagined the cheers from the courts, the excitement filling the hallways and the nonstop energy that makes Camp Kevutza so special.

Then, after weeks of anticipation, **the first day of Camp Kevutza finally arrived—and it did not disappoint.**

Off the buses we excitedly ran and lined up by division on top of the Rotunda. Everywhere we looked, campers were greeting friends, meeting new faces and taking in the sights and sounds of a brand-new summer. The noise was loud; the excitement was growing and the unmistakable Camp Kevutza ruach could already be felt throughout the campus.

Into the Bais Medrash and Dining Room we went for the opening assembly introducing Summer 2026. We heard **דברי פתיחה** from Rabbi Neuwirth, **דברי התעוררות** from Rabbi Eisemann and **דברי ברכה** from Rabbi Eisgrau. Inspired, energized and ready to begin, we were dismissed to do what always comes first at Camp Kevutza: shteig and learn the heilige Torah with our Rebbeim.

After Learning Groups, it was time for a meet-and-greet with our most epic counselors. Each counselor arrived carrying a special surprise: **K-Kard Keepers!** And, of kourse, every camper received his very first **K-Kard** to begin the Summer 2026 **K-Kard Kollection**.

The sports were exciting, the ruach was strong, old friendships picked up right where they left off and new friendships were already beginning. After so much anticipation, Camp Kevutza had officially **Taken Off to Greatness**—and the summer was only getting started.





LEARNING

Wow! The learning and davening this summer have been on a completely different level—**true Gadlus!**

Of course, Gadlus starts with gedolim, and our very own Director, Rabbi Neuwirth, together with our Learning Directors—Rabbi Eisgrau on the first floor, Rabbi Meier on the second floor and Rabbi Krasnow on the third floor—have been absolutely **blown away** by the incredible ruach of ruchniyus sweeping through the building at the beginning of each day.

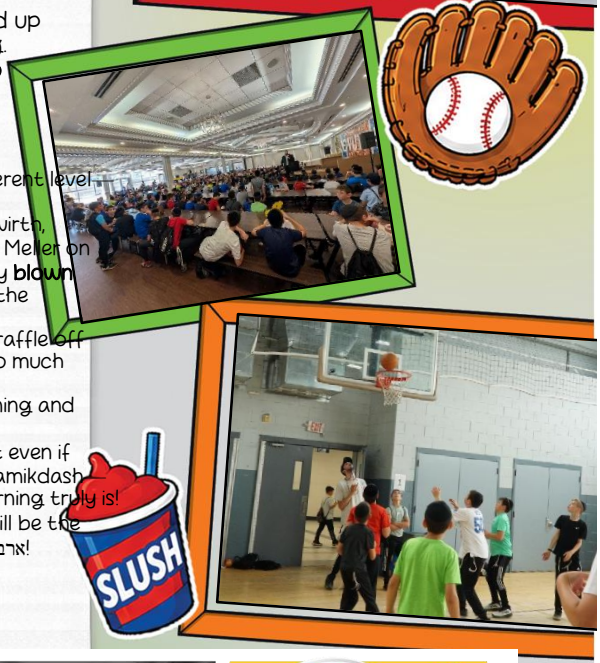
Our fantastic Rabbeim have been hard-pressed to even find enough time to raffle off fountain sodas and distribute Kevutza Kash, because there has simply been so much learning going on!

Keep it up! You, the campers, help hold up the world through your Torah learning and davening—and that is true Gadlus!

Unfortunately, Mashiach has not yet arrived and we are still here in galus. But even if Mashiach comes next week, you may not be able to join in building the Beis Hamikdash, you will be busy learning! That is how important and powerful your Torah learning truly is!

We hope and daven that Mashiach will come במהרה בימינו אמן, and then there will be the greatest Kevutza of all, as Klal Yisroel gathers together from the ארבע כנפות הארץ!

Good Shabbos! Rabbi Yitzchok Eisgrau



COMING UP:

Monday: Grades 2–4 will head out on an exciting bowling trip during regular camp hours.
Fourth Grade and Kevutza Xtreme will also take to the field for baseball.
Wednesday – Erev Tisha B'Av: Camp dismissal will be at **1:00 PM**.











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The Amazing Nussi Magic Show



We had an amazing Nussi Magic Show! We saw some of his best tricks including his incredible helicopter trick. He also fooled one of the counselors by making him believe that a paper towel was hidden under his yarmulke and then somehow appeared in his mouth!
Next, Nussi blindfolded a counselor and placed googly eyes over the blindfold. He told the counselor, "When I tap your right shoulder, lift your right hand, and when I tap your left shoulder, lift your left hand." But then Nussi held his hand almost two feet away—and the counselor still lifted the correct hand!
Nussi continued with his eyes closed and threw knives all around a hat attached to a board without hitting the hat even once. After that, he walked on a tightrope while balancing a spinning ball and juggling knives. He also juggled four flaming sticks, six balls and performed his amazing yo-yo tricks. At one point, he juggled so quickly that it was almost impossible to follow!
He finished the show with a really cool card trick. Every camper enjoyed the show very much, and it was definitely an amazing way to begin the summer!
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Electives

Basketball, Volleyball, Game room, Drama. Wow we can make our own choices of what we like to do best, The campers that just have the energy and need to get in another game of basketball or volleyball, a game room with ping pong, fuzzball and many more games we started off knocking fun while other campers are playing board games like chess, checkers, monopoly and more focusing intently on every move they make, yes there are many campers that enjoy drama which is acting preparing for their showing at the end of the summer.



Lunch with Rabbi Rapp & Rabbi Stroh

Into the Dining Room we ran for our delicious hot pizza lunch, fresh from the store. Then Rabbi Rapp's voice came loudly through the mike, welcoming all the 2nd graders and our new 3rd graders! Rabbi Stroh started the cheering competition! Our division is definitely the loudest, with our loud cheering of 2nd grade vs. 3rd grade, until we all lost our voices! Maybe this is why Wednesday is called 'World Competitions Wednesday, the cheering was so loud the whole world could hear! We were then given five minutes to ask our counselor any question about himself, to try and get to know him really well, for the 'Get to know your counselor' game that followed... "How many languages does your counselor speak?"... "What common food item does your counselor refuse to eat".. and the like, we got some right and some wrong, and had fun all along!
On Tuesday lunch, cheering started off even louder than the day before, that one minute in, the mike system broke down from the deafening sound! Lunch activity continued despite this with the hoola hoop challenge, which bunk can get through the hoola hoop all around their bunk the fastest, while holding hands.



















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2ND GRADE

	W	L	T
Game 1			
Game 2			
Game 3			
Game 4			
Game 5			

3RD GRADE

	W	L	T
Game 1			

Looking forward to the start of Leagues next week!!

4TH GRADE

	W	L	T
Baranovitch	2	2	0	0
Ponovizh	2	0		
Telz	2	0		
Grodna	1	1		
Radin	1	1		
Mir	0	2		
Slabodka	0	2		
Kelm	0	2		
Chachmei Lublin	2	0		
Vilna	2	0		
Novardik	1	1		
Pressburg	1	1		
Brisk	1	1		
Valozhin	1	1		
Dvinsk	0	2		
Kaminetz	0	2		



5TH GRADE

	W	L	T
Bochrim	1	1	
Kovei Itim	0	1	1
Thank you Hashem	1	0	1
Lakewooders	1	1	
Breslovers	0	0	
Chabadniks	1	1	
Yungerleit	1	1	
Yerushalmis	1	1	
Balei Batim	1	1	
Yekkes	2	0	

6TH GRADE

	W	L	T
In-towners	0	2	
Sefardim	0	2	
Ashkenazim	2	0	
Litvaks	2	0	
Chassidim	1	1	
Out of Towners	1	1	









IT'S GOOOO TIME!!!

This week started off with a **BANG!** We began with exciting bunk games, and shortly afterward jumped right into Camp Kevutza's world-renowned leagues! Once the learning was finished, it was time to head outside and let the games begin. Basketballs bounced, footballs flew, volleyballs sailed over the nets, and the courts and fields quickly filled with the sounds of cheering, teamwork and good-natured competition. Some games were won by skill, while others were won through hustle, teamwork and determination.

From the first whistle to the final point, the action was fast-paced, exciting and packed with ruach. After waiting all year to get back into league action with our friends, it certainly did not disappoint. We can't wait to see where the competition takes us!

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

Your League Commissioner

XTREME KEVUTZA

Xtreme energy. Xtreme ruach. Xtreme personality.

That's what I saw in all of you when your walked through the door on the first day of camp. And I knew that you guys were exactly the right campers for our program. Because in Kevutza Xtreme, that's what we are. We're Kevutza, just Xtreme. And you boys are doing an amazing job being the role models for the entire camp, starting from that first beautiful lineup right when we came to camp, continuing throughout the rest of the week.

We BH got off to an amazingly epic start, with an incredible Sumo Wrestling competition (Special credit to Dovi Rubelow for getting Mendy off the stage in about 20 seconds!), followed by a stupendous Nussi show, continuing with the great beginning of a smashing league season (shout-out to the amazing team in 6th grade that doesn't have their captain yet but still played with beautiful achdus and good vibes!), and don't forget our brand new invention- a remote control garbage can! (I'm still waiting for investors)

But nothing can beat the awesome Xclusive ice skating-cholent-game show- Leil shishi late night that we had! Wow, what talented skaters we had on the ice! Many boys bravely pushed themselves to learn how to skate even though it was hard; that's what Xtremers do. Thank you Rabbi Neuwirth!! (Don't forget, Rabbi Neuwirth told us we have our own dining room!)

As we go into our second week of leagues, we look forward to everybody doing their best with Xtreme maturity to make it work no matter what team you're on etc... We will also be having our first Talent Tuesday this coming week Iyh, if you have a talent to display, make sure to sign up on the sheet in the lobby! Stay tuned for an amazing week coming up, featuring the one and only Kevutza Kantata! Looking forward to seeing you next week!!!

XTREME EXPERIENCE!



XTREME ENERGY!





XTREME TRIPS!

XTREME ACHIEVEMENT!



Lunch with Rabbi Eisenmann

From Sumo Wrestling to a Revolutionary Invention!
Our **Worldwide Competition Wednesday's Lunch Activity** took us all the way to **Japan** for an intense round of sumo wrestling! Of course, before our contestants could compete, they first needed a hearty meal to make them large enough for the challenge.
The counselors quickly "cooked up" plenty of balloons, while each wrestler's coach—another camper—stuffed them into the contestant's oversized shirt. Once our sumo wrestlers were fully inflated, the competitions began, and the matches were intense, hilarious, and packed with excitement!
Then came **Thinking Inventions Thursday**, when we identified one of life's greatest hardships: having to take the garbage out every single week. After carefully studying the problem and all the difficulties involved, Rabbi Failik designed the perfect solution—a **remote-control garbage can!**
This groundbreaking invention could change garbage-taking forever, and we are now allowing a **limited number of investors** to get involved. Invest now before this opportunity—and the garbage can rolls away!