



SIGHTINGS

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Theme: Shark Squad

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From The Camp Director

Shark Squad is our newest and most popular camp this season. Simply put, it's the "everything you always wanted to know about sharks, but were afraid to ask" camp. To help introduce your campers to the mysterious world of cartilaginous fish, we created original games, innovative activities, and creative multicultural art activities. No surprise, the highlights of the week included a hands-on visit from juvenile leopard sharks & local fish and learning about the unique cookie-cutter shark as they baked and decorated yummy shark shaped sugar cookies. -ally



Dress a Shark & Dress a Fish

Campers got to see & experience life as a shark and bony fish in one-of-a-kind costumes created by our camp manager, Rachel. The costumes, designed to highlight the differences between sharks and bony fish, helped campers identify different adaptations and special senses. Sand paper represented the dermal denticles that makes shark skin feel rough, while rainbow colored goggles demonstrated the ability of fish to see in color. It was truly a sight to behold!



Animal Sightings:

We saw Leopard Sharks, Bony Fish, Pelicans, Ravens, Black Tailed Deer & Fawn, Turkey Vultures, Sea Stars, Anemones, a Kelp Crab, and Red Winged Blackbirds ...**Oh my!**

Under the Microscope:

Reece, Camp Counselor

Reece grew up enjoying the beaches, sounds, and rivers of North Carolina's Outer Banks. He has most recently been working as an after school tutor and teaching assistant in San Francisco. He also has experience working as the head educator and deckhand with Schooner SoundWaters



teaching marine science, leadership, and teambuilding programs in Stamford, CT. Reece coordinated the Global Music Radio Show for his university and worked with a number of writing institutions. He is also fluent in German. Reece is regionally famous for his pickled okra.

Sharks Around the World

This week campers celebrated shark legends from across the globe by listening to international tribal tales, performing skits, and creating mini totem poles to honor the legendary shark.



EXTRA!! EXTRA!! Coastal Camp in the News

The Marin IJ visited Headlands Institute this week for a story on our upcoming campus expansion plan. The article may feature a photo of campers and will be published sometime between today and 8/18, so be on the lookout! The Environmental Analysis has just been released. For more information please visit www.nps.gov/goga and click on the current plans link or join us for our public open house at the Bay Model on 8/19, 4-7pm.