

Lion Cubs Invade Noontime Show

By Demi Singleton, *age 11* and Wesley Mitchell, *age 11*

Yesterday a returning camper, Demi Singleton, and a guest, Kenneth Aikens (K.J.) performed at the Noontime Show. Demi is currently playing young Nala in the Lion King on Broadway, while K.J. plays young Simba. During their visit, Demi and K.J. sang "The Circle of Life" from the Lion King and then answered some questions about themselves from Dan and the audience. It was a fantastic performance; they both sang beautifully, and they really told us a lot about being a kid on Broadway. Demi later did a special Heartbeat interview with K.J. about his experience. Here's what he said...

Q: Do you ever get tired of doing the same show over and over again?

A: No! It's never exactly the same. There is always something different, and there is always a different energy!

Q: How long have you been playing young Simba?

A: 11 months going on a year.

Q: What was the feeling when you got the role of young Simba on Broadway?

A: I was extremely happy, proud, and... I was crying! (lol)

Q: What do you think about lion king costumes? Are they comfortable or uncomfortable?

A: My costume, personally, is very comfortable, but some people have to wear or carry puppets over 50lbs!



BOB, COUNSELOR

Dan MCs yesterday's Noontime Show featuring "The Lion King" cast members K.J. Aikens and Demi Singleton (who is also a CAA camper).

Q: When did your interest in acting, singing, and dancing begin?

A: My whole life, but I never pursued it until my Lion King audition!

Q: What's your favorite part of lion king?

A: EVERYTHING!!! It's all amazing and it's a really moving story!

We thank K.J and Demi for such an amazing performance yesterday!

Bye Bye, CAA

By Mandy Friedman, *age 10* and Elizabeth Licitra, *age 11*

CAA offers many different activities for kids with a hunger for creativity. From basketball to sewing, the possibilities are endless. Sadly, camp is coming to a close but it seems like everyone's enthusiasm is still high and looking forward to next summer! So we wanted to see what the Heartbeat's writers favorite activities were this year and hopefully we can see all of these awesome classes next summer.

Sewing: 7
Glee\Cabaret: 9
Heartbeat: 6
Heartline: 6
Circus: 4
Dance classes: 4

Fitness: 2
Art classes: 7
Sports: 5
Swimming: 7
Reality Show: 5
Gymnastics: 2

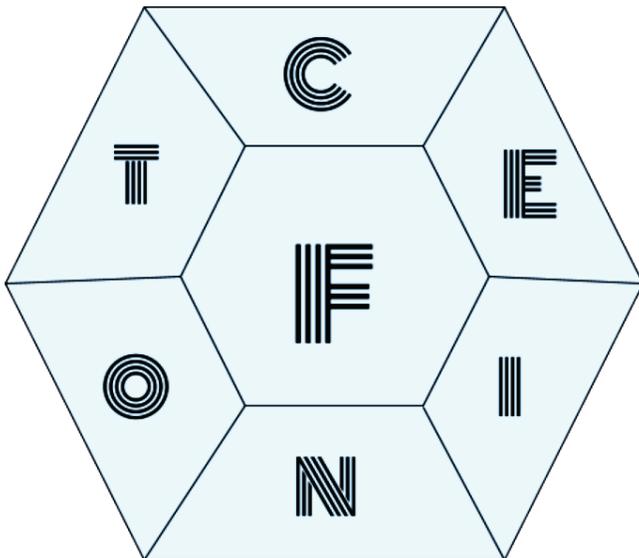


>> PUZZLE CORNER

Hexagon of Fun

By Sonia Servedio *age 11* and Lina Teplitsky-Kahn *age 11*

This is a word puzzle in which you have to try and make as many words as possible using only these letters. Each word **MUST** have the letter F, and you can use letters more than once. The words must be **AT LEAST** five letters long. If you use all of the letters, the word counts as three points. If the word doesn't use all the letters, it only counts as one point. An example of a word that works is fence, because it has an F, it is five letters, and it only uses the letters here. It would only be one point because it doesn't use the I, T, or O.



Haikus by Johan

By Johan Domingo, *age 11*

WINTER

Cherry blossoms fell
as the brutal winter came,
snow fell through the land.

SPRING

Cherry blossoms grew
as spring was about to sprout,
The people rejoiced.

>> CULTURE & EDUCATION

Educate Me!

By Maggie Zito, *age 11*, Ella Cardillo, *age 10*, and Ava Nolan, *age 10*

There are so many amazing educational video games out there, but we decided to name our favorite: Cool Math!

Cool Math is great for math skills and is very educational, so parents, let your child play this game today! This game also helps with life skills, such as finding a job. It has every math skill from fractions to area and perimeter. It also teaches about responsibility and even how to budget/spend your money. And most importantly, it teaches you time management.

Ella: WOW it was so fun. I learned how to properly run my own company.

Maggie: Cool Math is a fun website with games that help establish life skills.

Ava: It was fun and we learned how to run a chicken wing store.

To summarize, Cool Math is probably the most effective teaching website for our generation. It's fun, educational, and effective: a refreshing video game experience!

#itsmorefuninthephilippines

By Johan Domingo, *age 11*

Unfortunately, camp is ending. Start your summer homework kids, because when it's August, there is no excuse. Speaking of August, I'll be going to the Philippines for a month right before school starts! Let me just tell you, #itsmorefuninthephilippines (and that's an actual hashtag that people use)! You can go island hopping across all 7,107 islands that the Philippines has, try all the exotic foods to all the traditional street foods, and much more. Last summer, when I was in the Philippines I went to this amazing place called Enchanted Kingdom. It's just like Disneyland. They have the most amazing roller coaster rides, paintball gun arena, and even a haunted house. When I went to the haunted house, my nanny had to carry me the whole time. I was really scared, and I didn't even realize that I kicked one of the actors! Overall, being in the Philippines for a whole month was really fun, so while I'm excited to return, I will definitely miss CAA!

Suz Sez!

Get ready for
Mary Poppins to
fly into CAA!