

Dear Campers,

Today most of us had mixed up feelings- being happy and sad that it was the last day of camp. Happy that we had more vacation things to do and sad that camp was over. Jake was surprised in a happy way that camp went so quickly and Matt was just plain happy to be on his way to his Maine vacation!

This news letter will be a short one because I am going to work on movies to send to you. Show your parents the Dr. Desoto worksheet. Two different characters in this story have two very different **kick offs and plans**. Can you tell your parents about the trick the mouse plays on the fox? Did his tricky plan work? (Parents: The fox has a toothache and goes to the mouse dentist to get his tooth fixed, which the dentist does by pulling out the rotten tooth. When the fox comes back the next day to get his gold tooth implant, he plans to eat the dentist and his mouse wife. The dentist mouse is worried the fox will eat him, so his plan is to fix the fox's tooth (Because he always finishes a job he starts-this says something about one of his characteristics.) and then glue his mouth shut! See how much your child remembers from this story. It is an excellent book to get from the library and do several readings of.)

You kids are the best! Good story tellers and even better actors. May you have many happy stories for the rest of the summer and a **ho-hum** (no big deal, no kick off) start to the school year...but if you have a **kick off** remember you can STOP, THINK, and MAKE a PLAN :) Bye-Bye!

Kathleen