Dear Parents, Campers, and Friends of Pilgrim Day Camp,

2021 is here and we all should be happy and hopeful about what the new year has in store for us. The only reason to look back on the past 12 months is to take the lessons and learn from them so that we are better and safer in the new year. As I make plans for the PDC 21’ season, I know that I don’t know enough right now to make definitive plans. What I have learned as a parent and teacher is “It’s easier to get easier.” With that in mind listed below are some of the adjustments that we will implement now with the idea that if the vaccine makes us safe again and the local health authorities relax restrictions, then I can and will adjust accordingly.

- Smaller groups which will be independent from other groups.
- No all camp activities or mixing of groups
- No camp when all-day rain is predicted (inclement weather such as thunder and lightning predicted for the entire day)
- Campers must sign up for 2-week sessions.
- This will help keep the group from changing too often.
- No extended day A.M. or P.M. This is because we do not want to mix children from different groups together.
- Adjusted arrival and departure areas to keep groups safely apart.
- Enhanced cleaning protocols and sharing of equipment policies.
- No specialty camps

Camp will begin on June 28th. As time gets closer I hope I can adjust these plans so that PDC will look more like it has in the past. I am glad to answer questions and I will conduct many zoom open houses where more information can be discussed.

Updated Covid procedures, cancellation policies, and more will be updated and posted in the upcoming weeks. Feel free to email us at pdc@sneucc.org for any questions, just know that we have a lot of questions that still need to be addressed from the state and Board of Health. We are currently creating multiple plans for all different scenarios.

Please check our social media pages Instagram (@pilgrimdaycampofficial) or Facebook (@pilgrimdaycamp) and or our website for our upcoming zoom informational meetings. You might have questions that we don’t have an answer to yet, join us in the zoom meeting so we can discuss them.

Let’s take this opportunity to be optimistic and hopeful. 2021 will be better and we will be together this summer.

We can do this!!

Jon Kirby
Director of Pilgrim Day Camp