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Monday- Spotlight on Take Apart

Imaginations run wild in I Can Invent/Take Apart as campers create an "Invention" during this module. Before taking their item apart, however, campers learn to use common tools and the necessary safety precautions. They then use the parts of their household item to create a new problem-solving invention of their own or to improve an existing product.



Tuesday is Wear your Camp Invention T-Shirt Day!

This Week's Highlights:



Monday: First day of camp
Tuesday: Camp Invention T-Shirt
Wednesday: Group Color Day
Thursday: Crazy Hat Day!
Friday: Friends and Family Program -
wear your Camp Invention shirt!
Be creative! Have Fun!

Inventor of the Day:

**George Washington Carver
(1860 -1943)**

As an agricultural chemist, he developed various methods for crop rotation conserving nutrients in soil. He invented hundreds of new uses for crops, such as the peanut, which created new markets for farmers, especially in the South where he lived.



Get to know your Camp Invention Staff:

Director: Linda Gillispie----I have been teaching for 24 years and have four children. My two daughters are out of college and my two sons will be a junior and senior this fall. My hobbies include crafts, reading, and trying new recipes. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at school 352-0500 or at home 502-933-5028. This is the third year that I have been part of the Camp Invention Experience!



Assistant: Kandi Childress---This is my first year to work with Camp Invention after teaching my first year. My hobbies are reading, swimming, and ice skating. I enjoy living out in the country, but I only have one pet, a fish named Spot!



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Tuesday- Spotlight on *Lost Treasure*

Campers discover that Professor Ivana Digit, a famous archeologist, is missing just when she's about to unearth her most important discovery---the lost treasure. Campers are searching for her on a far-away island. Campers overcome obstacles like an active volcano, friendly island dwellers, and pieces of the valuable treasure note in their attempt to retrieve the treasure. Mrs. Keeler is the instructor in this module.

Wednesday is Wear Your Team Color Day!!

Wear your camp invention colors! You and your team can decide how you want to show your group spirit. Be sure to practice the camp song!

Camp Cheer:



Camp Invention is our name
Imagination is our game
We create - we discover
We invent and we uncover
Camp Invention is our name
Being inventors is our fame!

Highlights:

Wednesday: Wear your team color day!

Thursday: Wear a crazy hat day!

Friday: Friends and Family Program 1:30 -
Wear your Camp Invention shirt!

Know your Camp Invention Staff:

Instructor: Mrs. Keeler—I have been teaching for seven years in elementary school and have taught in many summer programs and college. I love to spend time with my family and we enjoy reading and traveling together. My husband, two children, Steph and Wayne, and I have been to 48 states including Alaska and Hawaii.



Instructor: Mrs. Laumeyer—This is my second year to teach at Camp Invention, but I have been teaching for 13 years. My hobbies include gardening, water sports, and reading. I have three children, Danelle, 23, Christopher, 21, and David, 19. My two guinea pigs are both looking for a new home.

Instructor: Mrs. Stone—I have been at Meadow View elementary for the past 10 years. My hobbies include

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Wednesday- Spotlight on Seaworthy



The Planet Ocean team, a group dedicated to exploring the water world on Earth, recently contacted the Camp Invention program for help with the groups's next expedition: collecting marine samples never before seen on dry land. Campers are creating boats and devices capable of locating and collecting these samples and then delivering them to the Planet Ocean research center. Mrs. Stone is the instructor for Seaworthy.

Thursday is Crazy Hat Day

Use your imagination!
What type of hat can you
reate that you can wear to
camp on Thursday? Put on
your "thinking cap" and see
what happens!



Camp Song:

(Tune: On Top of Old Smokey)

I am an inventor, inventing's my game!
Here comes my idea- A real hurricane
Watch out for my elbows, watch out for my brain,
I am an inventor, inventing's my game.
You thought that you knew us, a real quiet team,
But we fooled you, by creating that thing.
Look out for that button! Look out for that chain!
I am an inventor, inventing's my game

Get to Know your Camp Invention Staff:

Go Purple Team!

Camp counselor: Mrs. Quillin---I have been teaching for the past 12 years. I have been a proud military wife for the past 16 years and have two children, Bryant, 15, and Hailee, 8. Scrapbooking is one of my hobbies. Our family has two wonderful Jack Russell dogs named Sammy and Lilly. I love teaching the the joy of watching children learn something new is what it is all about..

Go Orange Team!

Camp counselor: Mrs. Himes---I have just finished my 14th year at Meadow View. My hobbies are knitting, crocheting, and gardening. I grew up in Michigan and met my husband in Germany. We have two daughters, one a teacher the other a hairdresser. I have a redheaded, two-year-old grandbaby girl and another on the way in August.

Go Gold Team!

Camp counselor: Mrs. Sheroan---I have worked as a teacher's assistant for 11 years and I am still loving every minute of it. My husband and I have two children, Jayde, almost 7, and Jacob, 4. We live on a small farm and my hobbies are mostly outside things like swimming and taking care of the animals and the garden. My favorite thing to do in the summer is play outside games with my children. Our list of pets is unusual. We have cows, horses, chickens, and even a family of foxes.

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THURSDAY—



Fair Games

In all the modules this week, the campers have discovered what it is like to be an inventor. In Fair Games, campers are creating new and amazing games to challenge all! Campers use the concepts of equivalence, probability, and estimation to build games ranging from high striker and lever launches, to miniature golf holes, to games of their own design that are guaranteed to fool and delight the senses. Mrs. Laumeier is the instructor for Fair Games.

Family and friends!

Your camper is excited to share their week with you. Please join us at 1:30 in the cafeteria to see what your camper has been working on all week. We hope to see you there!



Parent/Child Camp Evaluation Sheet

Please take a moment to fill out the attached evaluation about Camp Invention. The National Inventors Hall of Fame is always trying to make camp even better and your feedback is greatly appreciated!

Inventor of
the Day:



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Alexander Graham Bell (1847-1922)

Alexander Graham Bell was a scientist, inventor and founder of the Bell Telephone



Company. He was most famous for his invention of the telephone which grew out of his research into ways to improve the telegraph. In addition to this work, he was

responsible for important advances in aviation and hydrofoil technology.

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**Campers, be sure
to wear your Camp
Invention T-Shirt
tomorrow!**

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FRIDAY - Camper voices

What was your favorite part of camp?

Gloria: Lost Treasure

Elaina: Take Apart and Lost Treasure

Doug: Fair Games---making the Golf Courses.

What was your favorite project from this week?

Kate: Take apart. I am going to make a remote.

Sarah: Take apart. I am making a burglar alarm for brothers that sprays water in your face.

What did you like best this week?

Jason: Take Apart

Jeremy: Lost Island

Kaitlyn: I can't choose; they are all fun!

Clotie: It's a toss-up between Fair Games and Take Apart

Gloria: Making the marshmallow tower.

Inventor of the Day:

Benjamin Rubin (Born 1917)

As a microbiologist, Benjamin A. Rubin used the eyelet of a sewing machine needle to create a fork shaped needle for a syringe that could deliver a vaccine that helped out the killer disease smallpox. His needle allowed vaccination to spread worldwide and in 1980 the World Health Assembly declared smallpox defeated. For the first time in history, man had eliminated a deadly disease. *Inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame: 1992*



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Special Thanks:

We hope your child has enjoyed Camp Invention this year. Thank you for allowing them to be a part of this incredible program. A great big thank you also goes out to our hardworking and talented staff! Please let them know how much you appreciate their hard work to make Camp Invention a great adventure for your children!



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Do you love Camp Invention? Do you wish it lasted more than one week? Did you know that an after-school program like Camp Invention exists? Ask your Camp Director how you can get Club Invention at your school!

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