

Program Philosophy

Children with sensory, learning and communication difficulties usually possess social deficits. These are due to a lack of connectedness to others, deficits in abstract thinking, problem solving and motor planning. Often this results in low confidence/independence and inappropriate behavior in social situations. Typically, these children do not pick up social behavior by mere observation of others. They require social skills to be developed in an environment where they feel motivated and comfortable enough to interact.

Celebrate the Children believes that the best way to facilitate socialization in every child is to demonstrate an understanding for the child's individual differences. We believe in celebrating the child for who they are rather than trying to make them someone else. We attempt to let each child know we respect them and their interests, encouraging them to feel comfortable with us. Once the child has made a connection with those around them, specific social skills are carefully laid in. Although demands on the child may be increased, respect for their world should never be put second to those demands. Continual enthusiasm for their interests builds a trusting relationship that allows for maximum learning.

Children with disabilities are children first. Therefore, our summer camp focuses on having the silly, carefree kind of fun every child should enjoy. It is our experience that this type of environment, saturated with typical peers as models, promotes the best socialization and independence in all children.

We hope that your child will be a part of our 8th summer camp. We anticipate a summer experience never to be forgotten!

What does your child get with this program?

- **Developmental Individual Relationship-based Therapy (Greenspan-Wieder)**
- Intensive social skills and communication development
- All-day peer modeling/Facilitated play
- Intensive work on regulation and attention
- Rhythm and timing(shared timing) development
- Daily motor planning and sequencing activities
- Emotions and Theory-of-Mind development
- Self esteem/Image enhancement
- Focus on abstract thinking, problem solving and independence
- Speech and OT activities
- Outdoor water play
- Arts and crafts
- Music, music, music and dancing
- Friday special events
- Snack included
- And all your basic summer camp activities

Who?

This camp is designed to benefit children with sensory processing, communication and social difficulties; ages 3-16

WHEN?

July 10th-August 4th

Monday-Friday

9:00am-1:00pm

WHERE?

CTC Center in Budd Lake

(older children)

Stanhope Public School

(younger children)

Location assigned upon registration

HOW MUCH?

Tuition is \$2675.00 per child

*Individual Speech and OT can be contracted for an additional fee.

Transportation is not offered.

Fees non-refundable

Deadline for registration is

June 1st (Spaces Limited)