



KEYSTONE STORIES

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LAND AND WATER

This week, we travelled from the tops of the mountains to the saltwater of the ocean, and everywhere in between! We followed the journey of salmon through the watersheds we all live in. Ask your camper where they can find salmon swimming? We started from the ground up - soil! This is important for salmon because it grows the trees that keep the water cold, clean, and clear for them. We celebrated soil by getting our hands dirty making mud bricks and mud paintings - what did your camper paint?

We looked at the bugs that share the water with salmon and learned why salmon like them. Ask your camper why water bugs are important for salmon?

We took a look at our local watersheds and identified places many of us are familiar with. Ask your camper what the name of the volcano is that we live by? We got to make volcanoes of our own! We followed water down the Nooksack River and learned how every part of the watershed affects the health of salmon, celebrating their journey through the river, estuary, and ocean components of the watershed. We capped off the week by looking for salmon in Tenmile Creek!

Thank you for choosing to send your camper to Camp Keystone. We hope to see you again!

NSEA educates, inspires, and engages the community to take action to keep wild salmon here for future generations. For more information, visit our website at n-sea.org

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

This week at Camp Keystone, we learned that we all live in a watershed. From tall, icy Mt. Baker to cold, deep Bellingham Bay, there are many parts of a watershed. Ask your camper something they can find in their watershed? We learned where the water goes when the snow melts on the mountains and discovered how water is important for salmon and for people, and that we all share the water found in our local watersheds.

