



NEWPORT SEA BASE WELCOME LETTER

Welcome NSB Weekday Home School Families,

We're excited that you have signed up for one or multiple of our weekday programs specifically built for homeschool, charter school students. Be prepared for a fun and brand new line up of projects and new adventures this trimester! Sign up for all 3 trimesters – Sept-May! New projects and activities are offered every trimester!

This welcome letter is filled with tips and information that apply to the following classes:

- Tues – Sailing & 2D Video Game Design
- Thurs – Sailing & Maker's Workshop
- Fri – Sailing & Robotics Workshop

NSB Contacts & General Info:

- NSB Program Director – Jack T. Nguyen, jack@newportseabase.org
- Class times: 9:30am-11:00am (AM Workshop), 11:00am-11:30am (Supervised Lunch), 11:30pm-2:30pm (PM Sailing/Aquatics)
- Website: www.newportseabase.org
- Phone: (714) 923-3191
- Address: 1931 West Coast Highway, Newport Beach, CA 92663
- Parking: NSB Parking Lot typically available in the morning during drop offs. Staff will be waiting on the lawn in front of the parking lot to check in all the kids on the roster. End of day pick up, Staff will bring children to the lawn for parent checkout. Parents please check out with an instructor with the class roster.

Daily Schedule:

*9:30am-11:00am = AM workshop

*11:00am-11:30am = Supervised lunch period on lawn (bring a non-perishable sack lunch)

*11:30am-2:30pm = On-the-water sailing instruction

General Required Items:

- Non-perishable lunch (nothing that needs to be refrigerated or heated up in a microwave), snacks
- Swimsuit (for first day swim check and any days following where swim days are designated)
- Recommended daily clothing line up: Wear water clothes coming into NSB that way you don't have to change into your water clothes when the PM water activities start. Most water clothes are comfortable enough during the morning to wear for the entire day. (Children can opt to wear "normal" clothes during the morning and change at the end of lunch to be ready for water activities.) Pack your child with back up dry clothes with socks and shoes to wear potentially at the end of the day when leaving program. This allows your child to warm up at the end of the day and also allows for them to be dry while driving home in your car; you're welcome! ☺

- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Drinking water, refillable water bottle (NSB has a refillable bottle station)
- Closed-toed shoes (water shoes also for the wet activities, the type that have grip on the bottom and no extra openings on the top; cost effective types at the store range between \$10-\$15 a pair)
- Hat for paddle sport days
- Life jackets will be provided per child. A child has the option also of bringing their own life jacket, Type 3, if they prefer.

Reminders/Additional Notes:

- Swim check will be facilitated at the start of the afternoon water session on the first day of class. **Children must pass the swim check to participate.**
- For the swim check, children will swim 4 laps (100 yds.) inside our dock area and then float for approximately 10 seconds. Children who either cannot or refuse to pass the swim check will not be allowed to continue with the class. However, our staff will make all efforts to help the children successfully complete the swim check. Mastery of swim strokes is not necessary and note that the swim check is not timed; the goal is comfortable completion and not speed.
- Please pick up on time, if arriving late for pick up please call the NSB office.
- Wetsuits and goggles are permitted but not provided.
- Children are not permitted to leave the Sea Base without a parent/guardian.
- Children **MUST WEAR CLOSED TOED SHOES AT ALL TIME.** No sandals, Crocs, or roller shoes are permitted. Shoes will get WET, so water shoes are suggested but not required.
- Electronics and other valued items should be left at HOME.
- Cell phones (if children have) are never to be used while classes are running. Please let the phones at home if possible. If parents need to contact their children, they can call the NSB line and either relay info through the Staff or talk directly to their child on the phone at NSB.
- Children have cubbies to put their personal belongings in; Sea Base is not responsible for any damaged or lost items.
- Children should label all personal belongings.
- Please refrain from arriving late to class. Late arrivals cause the teacher to repeat instructions several times which could lead to some children falling behind with projects. Thank you in advance for your help.
- Please call the office in advance if your child is arriving late or will be absent for the day.
- NSB is a peanut free facility.

Please let us know if you have any questions. If you'd like to talk in person as well during class days, our Staff will be available briefly during drop off and pick up windows throughout the trimesters.

Thank you for your participation at the Newport Sea Base!

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