

Dear Parents,

Camp is just around the corner and we are busy finalizing all the details. We have asked the students to spend some time checking over the suggested equipment to make sure that all their camp clothes fit and that they have all the supplies.

Please remember that, if you do not have something, see if it can be borrowed or check in some places like Value Village so that you do not spend much for camp. We have posted the equipment list on the website encase you have misplaced yours.

As far as transportation, anyone who volunteered will be used. In some grade we have extra drivers and so your car will not be full or you may have students from other grades, but in others we are quite tight. If you have had any change in plans, please contact the classroom teacher as soon as possible.

TUESDAY, MAY 21

ALL STUDENTS

- Arrival at school is between **7:40 and 8:00**
- Bring luggage and mark it with the colour tape (available at school)
- If you are a driver - keep your child's luggage with you and bring it to Cates Park (get coloured tape from school and put on luggage before you leave)

GRADE 6 AND 7 (and all drivers)

- **Must be in the classroom by 8:05**

GRADE 4 AND 5

- Enter classroom at 8:30 bell
- Drivers be in classroom at 9:45

FRIDAY RETURN TO SCHOOL

Siblings will have the same departure time from camp.

GRADE 4, 6 AND **some GRADE 5s** (Ms. Ramirez will clarify with the students)

- Drivers to be at Cates Park at 11:45
- If able to come earlier to help with luggage, please be at Cates Park at 10:15
 - Extra parent participation hours
- Arrival back at school / dismissal approx 1:00

Most GRADE 7s and **SOME GRADE 5s** (Ms. Ramirez and Ms. O'Hara will clarify with the students)

- Drivers to be at Cates Park at 1:30
- Arrival back at school close to 3:00

Luggage Boat

The following families (gr. 6 and 7 students) are on the early luggage boat - ***Napoli, Yu, DeMuy, Mlinar, Garcia, Nagalingam, Hnatiuk, Bianchin, Callaghan***. **Drivers will need to be at Cates Park at 10:15.** You will have counsellors in your car to bring back to school. Please help to unload the luggage from the boat.

Outdoor Education Program -- Recommended Clothing & Equipment List

- ★ Please leave expensive belongings at home.
- ★ Clearly mark all items with your child's name (remember, there will be 120 students with similar items)
- ★ Please pack the belongings in a backpack or smaller suitcase and the sleeping gear in a plastic garbage bag or something similar.

Sleeping Gear (in a large labeled garbage bag)

- Sleeping Bag - warm (or sheets and down comforter)
- Pillow

Clothing

- 4 complete changes of clothes (including underwear and extra socks)
- shorts and long pants (long pants required for some activities)
- 3 pairs of shoes (**students MUST bring 2 pairs of outside shoes and 1 pair for indoor only**)
 - 1) closed-toe shoes (running shoes or hiking shoes are best)
 - 2) indoor shoes or slippers (to be worn in the dining hall)
 - 3) older running shoes or water shoes to be worn at the beach / kayaking
- boots
- RAIN JACKET and (if you have them) RAIN PANTS (must have water-repellent outerwear)**
- warm jacket or hoodie or sweater
- cap or baseball style hat (must have a brim) and toque
- pajamas (or other clothing specifically for sleeping - ex. Different sweatpants and t-shirt)
- bathing suit

Personal Care

- All necessary toiletries: *items containing **ANY** liquid must be put in a separate plastic bag
 - towel, face cloth, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, brush, deodorant, kleenex
- beach towel (not to be used for washing or showering)
- sunscreen (SPF 30 UNSCENTED please)
- insect repellent (UNSCENTED) - optional

General Supplies

- water bottle (nonbreakable)
- fanny pack or day pack (to carry small things around camp and on hike) - optional
- a novel, (something enjoyable to read), puzzle books
- writing supplies (pens, pencils, notebook -- as specified by classroom teacher)
- 2 large garbage bags (to bring home the laundry and stuff) + small grocery bags for wet things

Optional Supplies

- camera (you might consider purchasing a disposable one)
- flashlight, extra batteries
- a deck of playing cards

Items Not Allowed --- Do Not Bring to Camp

knives	glow sticks	blow dryer
money	"technology" - no ipods, cell phones, etc	
gum, candy or any other food	matches	

Stores such as Value Village, 3-Vets, Canadian Tire are a great source for finding suitable camp clothing.