



**Dear Camp Parents,**

Welcome to Camp Hardwood! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share this experience with your child(ren) this summer. This week campers will learn new skills, get active, have fun, make friends, and of course improve their riding if they are a part of the Mountain Bike camp.

There are a few things that I would like to remind you of prior to the start of camp.

**Before coming to camp:**

- **MEDICATION FORM:** Please see the following google form in the event that your child has specific allergies or medical conditions requiring daily administration of medications. Please be as specific as possible and ensure that the medication is labelled with your child's name! If you have multiple children with allergies attending camp please fill out a form for each child.

[Camp Medication Form](#)

**Policies**

- Zero bullying tolerance
  - This means campers must be kind, team leaders, positive attitude, and must refrain from making comments such as "They're slow" or any other comment that makes a child feel uncomfortable or less than.
  - If a child is abusive, emotionally, physically, verbally, etc. or non-compliant, parents will be called, and should the behaviours persist the child exhibiting behaviours of bullying will require to be picked up without refund
- No glass bottles as they pose as a risk
- The odd time, not making it to the washroom happens, however should this occur regularly, your camper will be not be permitted to return without refund.



## Mountain Bikes

- Mountain bikes must NOT have pedal brakes and have TWO working hand brakes.
- They must be in working order (see Camp Tune up Special) and have knobby tires. If your child's bike is too small or too large, they will have a difficult time at camp. If you have any concerns with your child's bike, please see our service tech.
- Kick stands should be removed as they may get caught on stumps or sticks
- A water bottle cage should be on the bike (front mount adapters available in the Hardwood Retail shop). Or the camper must have a hydration pack. They must be able to carry some water with them while on bike.
- Mountain bikes should be brought with the camper on Monday and will be stored at Hardwood throughout the week. Bikes must be taken at pick-up on Friday.

## Drop off @8:30am:

- We understand this may be difficult for some, especially our little ones', but rest assured they are in safe hands! Drop Off will go as follows:
  - **If you are there for mountain bike camp** you will drive into the upper lot (lot to the right just past the ticket booth) and unload your child's bike and their belongings where they will be met by their counsellor
  - Once your child is with their group, you are free to leave
  - **If your child is in outdoor adventure camp** you will also drive to the same lot. This is where you would drop off your child and their belongings.
  - Once your child is with their group, you are free to leave.
  - **PLEASE BE ADVISED- Camp does not start until 8:30am and therefore children are not to be left at camp until that time as we are still setting up for a great day at camp. Thank you for your understanding!**

## Pickup @4:30pm- Same lot as drop off:

- **PLEASE BE ADVISED- Camp does not end until 4:30pm.** This means that your campers are still in program up until that point.
- If you are needing to pick up your camper earlier than 4:30 it can only be done at 3 designated times : 10:15, 12:15 or 2. If you cannot make it for those pickup times, or for



the usual 4:30pm pickup time we please ask that you keep your child home from camp. It can be very disruptive to programming to have to leave the activities for pickups.

- In order to pickup your child you must present the counsellors with a copy of the pickup pass or a photo of the pass. If you are carpooling you must present a photo of the other children's pickup pass/es. If you fail to present a photo or the pass itself you must show legal photo ID. Failure to do so will result in extra measures being taken. Thank you for your understanding

#### **Aftercare:**

- If you are picking up your child from our aftercare service (between 4:30pm and 5pm) you will park in our lower lot (closest to the chalet) and walk up to our tented area.

**Extra Purchases available: Please look at your initial receipt to review purchases- call Hardwood to add on if needed.**

- T-shirts are \$28 and hoodies are \$55 +tax
- Tuck: \$12 (daily treat during afternoon break)
- **NEW Camp Hardwood water bottles: \$15 +tax**
- Hotdog Fridays: \$3.50 per Hot dog

#### **To Pack:**

- **Each camper** should bring a backpack to carry their belongings in.
- All campers should bring plenty of nutritious snacks, lunch, and a water bottle since they are active all day! Please remember that we are a peanut friendly environment and to notify the Camp Director about any food allergies.
- Please remember to bring extra clothes for Water Relay as part of the afternoons choose your own adventure! We will also be doing water bombs throughout the week. Please bring a towel in the event your child wishes to get wet.
- Friday is theme day! Make sure you come dressed up and get ready for some fun in the theme listed in the body of the sent email



**Quick Packing List for Each Camper (Please label everything):**

- **Water bottle - NOT GLASS (they will not be permitted)**
- **Lunch box with nutritious food (try to steer clear from nuts if possible)**
- **Sunscreen**
- **Bug spray**
- **Towel**
- **Change of clothes**
- **Hand sanitizer**
- **Hat**
- **Closed toe running shoes**
- **Backpack that can carry everything**
- **Clothing appropriate for the weather (raingear if needed)**
  - **Please know that we can suggest your child wears the recommended rain gear but we cannot force them to**

**Ticks:**

- There have been several sightings of ticks in the Simcoe Muskoka area already and therefore we are advising parents, staff, and children to keep a lookout for possible tick bites. Attached below you will find a letter from Hardwood Ski and Bike advising individuals on how to/where to search for possible ticks on oneself, as well as how to properly remove a tick.
- Please be aware that staff will NOT be responsible for removing ticks from your child(ren) should one be found, and instead will call the emergency contact (guardian) immediately as it is proven that ticks removed within 24 hours can greatly reduce the risk of infection.

[Tick Letter](#)



**Quick Links:**

**Medication Form:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXaasoD2nZVmE5qy6L-rRWTqGMIGcc1B5pNy3UFfLB7r3zVA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXaasoD2nZVmE5qy6L-rRWTqGMIGcc1B5pNy3UFfLB7r3zVA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**Tick Letter:**

<https://www.hardwoodskiandbike.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Camp-Tick-information.pdf>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Sincerely,

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(this email is not monitored from September 1-May1)