



CHERITH CONNECTION



WELCOME TO CAMP CHERITH - ONTARIO

ARRIVAL DAY **Arrival** is on Sunday between **2:30** and **3:30 PM** (Daylight Savings Time). Registration will begin at 2:30pm *We are unable to accommodate early arrivals* Registration is in Robinson Hall which is the large white building on your left as you come into camp.

DEPARTURE DAY **Pick up** is on Saturday between **9:30** and **10:30 AM** (DST). If you must be later, please let us know when you register or contact the camp by phone during the week. Please pick up your camper at his or her cabin and then go with them to the Tuck Shop where you will need to **sign a release form**, check out with the nurse and pick up any remaining tuck money.

PLEASE NOTE!

For health and safety reasons we ask that you do not bring your family pet with you when dropping off or picking up your camper

PAYMENT The final balance is due by June 1st. It should be sent to the Winter Camp Office address. Registration fees may be refunded until May 1st. A \$100.00 administration fee, per week, is non refundable. There is no reduction or refund of camp fees for campers arriving late, leaving early or who are expelled due to disciplinary action.

HEALTH AND SAFETY Medical care is a vital part of our role for your child while at camp. Please assist us by making sure your child is well when they arrive at camp. As well, do not send food with them – food attracts unwanted guests.

A **photocopy of your child's health card** must be left with the nurse on registration day. Please advise us at registration if there are any changes to your child's medical information.

All medications, (in their original container), must be given to the nurse at that time. This includes all *non* prescription medications, vitamins, etc. The camp reserves the right to refuse admission to any camper suspected of having a contagious condition.

FOOD ALLERGIES Should your child have severe food allergies, this should have been noted on the registration form. If this has not been done **please contact the Registrar** immediately at (705) 733-0395.

TUCK SHOP Camp Cherith® T shirts, hats, souvenirs, snacks, stamps, etc. are available in our tuck shop which is open daily. Trail rides are available each week during Free Time for a nominal fee. As well, an optional offering is taken each week to help support a special mission project. Campers deposit their money when they register. This is banked and the unspent amount is returned to them when they leave. ***Suggested amount - \$25 to \$30***

PHONE The phone is not available to campers. **Cell phones are not permitted.** If a call home is deemed necessary by the Camp Director, the camper will be allowed to make a collect call.

MAIL This is always a highlight for the campers. We would encourage you to **write** to your camper at the *summer camp address*; **Your camper's name**

Camp Cherith

Box 142,

Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

(Please note: e mail is not available at camp)

VISITATION DAY Should you wish to visit your two week camper you may do so on Saturday anytime between 10:00 AM and 10:00 PM. Lunch will be available for a small fee should you choose to remain at camp. Campers may only leave the grounds with their own parent or guardian or with another adult 18 years or older if *prior written arrangements* have been made with the Camp Office.

CHECK LIST While we take every effort to make sure your camper returns home with what they came with, we would request that you **label** their clothing and fasten the enclosed checklist inside their suitcase. We do not assume responsibility for lost or damaged items.

DO NOT BRING Alcohol, drugs, tobacco, matches and GUM are *not permitted* at camp. Clock radios, iPods, MP 3 players, Game Boys and other techie toys are also not permitted. Cell phones must be left at home.

We reserve the right to send home any camper who fails to cooperate

MISCELLANEOUS

How to Pack Have your child help to pack their suitcase. They should know what is packed and where to find things. Use the 'what to bring list' as a guide. Pack *play clothes*.

New clothes are inappropriate for the active, out-of-doors camp environment. Please label all their belongings – include full name and phone number. Be prepared for varying weather conditions. Be sure to pack a warm jacket, rain gear, modest clothing and **one piece swimwear** and **more than one pair** of shoes.

Lost and Found Please contact camp as soon as you know an item is missing. It may take some time to locate, box and mail the found item back to you. Items **are returned** via Canada Post, C.O.D. Unclaimed items will be held for two weeks, then donated to a local charity.

Activities Your son or daughter **will choose** his or her activities for the week **on Sunday afternoon** after settling into their cabin. A variety of activities are offered based on age group needs, developmental characteristics and interests. Our activities are designed for fun as well as skill learning and safety.

Preparing for Camp To prevent **homesickness**, you can best help your child to prepare for camp by talking to them about how excited you are for them to go. Be sure to tell them how much you want them to have a good time. Let them know about all the things they will be doing such as making new friends, learning new skills and eating s'mores around a campfire!

Homecoming Expect that your child may need extra rest and sleep. They will have had a full week. Listen as they share their experiences. It has been a significant week in their life. **Share it!** Ask leading questions, show genuine enthusiasm.

Thank you for entrusting your child to us. Our aim is to make their camp experience an enjoyable and rewarding one. We are looking forward to another good summer at Camp Cherith - Ontario and are delighted that your camper will be a part of it.

Sincerely,

Keith Hadigate

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Executive Director

DIRECTIONS to CAMP: Walkerton is shown on your Ontario road map, south of Owen Sound, west of Hanover, east of Kincardine, and north-west of Orangeville. Once in Walkerton, proceed across Durham St. (Hwy 4) to Yonge St. and turn north. Follow this road over the bridge and continue for a distance of approximately 5 - 6 km. Watch for the camp sign (arrow) on the utility pole at Concession 6 with a yellow brick house on the south-west corner. Turn left on Concession 6 and follow this road into Camp Cherith. (Keep to the right at the forks in the road)



CAMP CHERITH – ONTARIO
JANUARY TO JUNE - BOX 542 BARRIE, ON L4M 4T7

(705) 733-0395 or (705) 734-2122 cherith.ont@sympatico.ca

JULY and AUGUST Box 142 Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0 (519) 881-2448

Be sure to check Lost and Found.

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What to Bring

Use this list as a guide to help you as you pack for camp.

Please remember to plan for a **variety of weather conditions** and please make sure that your child has an adequate amount of clothing for their stay at camp.

Laundry is not available.

Sleeping bag or Sheets	Towels (at least 2)	For Registration Day
Warm Blanket	Soap / Facecloth	Photocopy of health card
Pillow and Case	Deodorant	Tuck money (\$25 - \$30)
Warm pajamas or sweats	Kleenex	Medications -
	Toothbrush and Paste	In original container
Shirts / Tops	Hair brush / Comb	
Sweatshirts / Sweaters	Feminine items	Canoe Trip (extras)
Warm jacket		Water shoes
Shorts	Sunglasses	Lightweight pants
Pants / Jeans	Sunscreen	12' of 3/8 rope
Underwear	Lip Balm	5' x7' tarp for bed roll
Socks	Water Bottle	Camping mattress
Hat (essential)		
Bathing suit (1 piece, modest)	Insect repellent (not aerosol)	Horsemanship / Riding
		Extra pair of long pants
Running shoes	Flashlight / Batteries	Hard soled boots / shoes
Hiking shoes / Boots	Inexpensive Camera	with a heel of 1.5cm
Rubber boots / Duckies		
Rain wear	Bible	Miscellaneous
	Pen / Pencil	
Small Plastic Tarp	Notebook	
Laundry bag	Bicycle helmet (mtn. biking)	
Clothes pins		

1. **Label** all belongings. Although we attempt to ensure your camper returns with everything they brought, we are not responsible for any articles left at camp
2. We request that all clothing be **modest in appearance**, not tight or revealing
3. Nights can be cold. **Warm bedding** is suggested
4. **Rain boots** are a must. It can be damp in the mornings and evenings from the dew
5. Programming continues in the rain - **don' t forget rain gear**
6. **Horsemanship / Riding Camps** Bring an extra pair of long pants for riding use only
Also a pair of hard soled boots or shoes that have **heels of no less than 1.5 cm**
Helmets are provided
7. **DO NOT BRING:** Techie toys, electronic music, cell phones, **gum**, matches, lighters, cigarettes, knives, magazines, snacks, etc.