

Dear Parents/guardians,

April 18, 2008

The grade 6 camp will be held at Camp Arnes. We will depart George Waters on May 20th at 9:15 A.M. and return by 3:00 P.M. on May 21st. A letter was sent home last week with the cost and payment dates. With this package you should receive the permission form, behavioural expectations for camp and a supply list. We will hold a parent information evening in a couple weeks. At the meeting we will hand out the itinerary.

BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS FOR CAMP ARNES

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Grade 6 camp is fast approaching. Final payment is due May 16. However, earlier payment would be appreciated. As well, please make sure supplementary insurance is filled in on the permission form. Students have been given their fundraising account balances. Therefore, some have no balance while SOME will only have to pay the difference for camp while others have enough in their account to cover the full cost of camp.

We expect all grade 6 G.W.M.S. students to be model sharks while at camp.

Behavioural Expectations

Pre-Camp: We always encourage students to keep their hands to themselves, complete all work, be courteous and respectful. Basically, follow all rules.

On the Bus: Students will be on one of two buses. Prior to boarding, students will be expected to help load the luggage underneath the bus. While on the bus, students are to remain seated. There is bathroom available, but should only be used if necessary. Students will watch a movie on the bus. Any snack wrappers must be placed in the garbage bags provided. Students will be help unload the luggage upon arrival at camp. The same routine will apply when boarding to come back to school and arrival at school.

At Camp: When we arrive the Camp Arnes staff will board the bus and give a list of expectations while on camp property.

- Students are to respect camp property inside and outside of the cabins and buildings.
- Any vandalism will result in a bill being sent to the home of the guilty party. It will be at the parents' expense to have it cleaned up/fixed.
- Students are not to climb trees, pull off branches or leaves.
- Wildlife is NOT to be touched.
- Students are expected to carry their own luggage to and from the cabins and buses.
- Cabins are to be kept clean and will be inspected prior to our departure.
- Students are not allowed to enter another cabin or room. They must only enter the one they have been assigned to.
- Students MUST be in cabins between 10:00 P.M. and 7:30 A.M.
- Showers are available for use after the pool, prior to bed or in the morning. Both the boys and girls' cabins are equipped with showers and flushing toilets.

- Do not touch the belongings of any student or staff member.
- Be on time for all activities. (lists will be posted inside each cabin)
- Meals will be in the dining hall and camp staff will go over the rules. However, any students not following the rules will be asked to sweep, mop, clean dishes or wipe tables.
- Students are not allowed to enter any building without school or staff permission.
- Any students who choose to not listen to school or camp staff will be spoken to and on the second infraction they will get a phone call home. If a 3rd incidence occurs parents will be asked to drive to camp to pick up their child at their own expense.
- Lights must be out by 10:30 and students are expected to sleep in the rooms assigned. Any student disrupting the sleep of others (making noises, getting out of bed, leaving the room etc) will get a phone call home. If the student behaviour continues parents will be asked to drive to camp and pick up their child at their expense.
- Students are allowed to bring munchies and drinks as there is no store available. However, there is no littering and students are responsible for their own items.

Overall, the camp experiences in the past have been very good ones. No one has had to be sent home. Please go over the rules with your child at home. We will review the rules at school prior to camp. We want this experience to be positive for everyone involved. It is an excellent opportunity for staff and students to bond outside of school and share in some fun learning activities.

Any questions, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.