

Spring 2010

Dear Ponacka Parent,

We are delighted to be sending you our 2010 package, to prepare your son for camp. ***Please take some time to read it now!*** In order to avoid a new 5% Harmonized Sales Tax being implemented July 1st, we are invoicing all our camp families as of **April 30th, 2010**. Please complete the forms in a timely manner and return them to us at your convenience.

Remember to enclose a photocopy of both sides of your son's **Health Card**.

Please note the **Bus Departure time** is **2:00 pm**, leaving the north-west corner of Yorkdale Mall, Toronto on June 30th and August 1st. The bus will not be stopping at a store so the boys have no need for spending money. Our staff will bring drinks and a snack for the trip.

The **Boat Operator's** course continues to be popular and we encourage boys age 12+ to register by indicating on the fee remittance form.

July: There are 3 openings in our **Scuba course** (age 12+), 4 in our **Half Day Scuba Clinic** (age 11+) and 1 in the Haliburton Forest Reserve biking trip (age 12+).

August: There is 1 place in the **Adirondack Hiking trip**, 1 place left in the **Scuba course** and several in the **Half Day Scuba Clinic**. Please contact us if your son expresses interest in any of these courses.

For **August** parents, whose sons are taking the **Assistant Water Safety Instructor Course**, please plan to visit on Saturday, August 14th because the course starts Sunday morning, August 15th.

Please take a moment to review the "**Miscellaneous**" form, regarding food packages and policies on smoking, drugs, iPods, cell phones.

At the end of each month, we publish a newsletter, the "Rag Bag" listing the addresses of the boys, counselors in training and staff. If your **email address** has changed, please jot it down on the back page of the Parent Questionnaire. On the website, in the fall, we post slides that Wally has taken over the summer.

We appreciate the confidence you have in us and will do our very best to see that your son has a happy stay at Ponacka. Please be sure to see us if you visit and let us know if you have any concerns.

With many thanks and kindest regards,

At the time of writing, we have 3 openings for the last two weeks of the August camp and 3 for the month of August. If you know of anyone who might have a son interested in Ponacka, please ask them to contact us.

As well, we have one **staff opening** in our kitchen for August only.