



Mooseletter

May 2015



Memories last a lifetime...

We All Live In A Bunk At Fernwood Cove...

It's that time of year when we start planning for campers, CITs and staff to arrive. We're ordering supplies, you're completing activity sign-ups...Mama Deb is already cleaning the bunks and the horses are already getting geared up for the summer! One of the things that helps us in our preparations is Bunk Choice input for campers in 4th—7th grades. If you are a camper in 4th—7th grade you can complete your bunk choices through your parent's online account. Simply ask them to log in and you can complete it in the Forms section. (Simply click on the words "Bunk Request" and a new window will open for you to input your choices). Session One campers' bunk request deadline is June 10 and Session Two campers' bunk request deadline is July 10.

EVERYTHING BUT THE KITCHEN SINK

It's that time of year—got your uniform, and the sunscreen, and the extra socks, and the stationary, and the batteries, and the toothpaste...the list goes on and on—now it's time to pack it all up and get ready for camp! But what do you really *need*...and how much is just because you *want* it? Camp is a considerable amount of time away, but you don't need to pack the entire house! See our "Insider Packing Guide" inside to find out more about what you need to bring, where to get it. Find out about any special items recommended by experienced campers and CITs!

Dear Fernwood Cove Families,
Here at Fernwood Cove we are all getting ready for your arrival. Since the ice went out of the pond on April 20th there has been nothing but action and preparation. The new Nature Treehouse is structurally completed and now it is time to furnish the inside and landscape the outside. The new climbing wall is being erected right now as I am writing this letter. It is super tall and looks like a great new addition for anyone looking for the next climbing challenge. The docks are being put in the pond today ready for the boat driving course and staff training. All the horses have arrived and are enjoying the warmer weather. We have Tiger, Jenny, Lass, Thunder, Lilah, Patti, Jackson, Loui, Frosty, Foxy, Fritz, Bella, Princess, Pony, Faby and Willy. Wow! That's a lot. See you soon! Warmly, Beigette



It's crazy to think that the summer, and more importantly, camp will be here before we know it! The sun is already warming things up at camp and we're super excited for the summer to begin. We've still got a bit of work to do before we're ready for campers to arrive—the final preparations are always some of the most exciting! We also know that each Fernwood Cove girl is getting prepared for camp—ordering uniform, getting other basics like water bottles and stationary...there's so much to do! One of the best ways to prepare for camp isn't about your things at all, it's all about connecting with other people who are going to be at camp

too, mainly your Cove Pal. Session 1 Cove Pals have already been sent out (ask your parents to check their emails if you don't already have the information). Don't worry, Session 2 families, your Cove Pals are coming soon! Whether you're a new Fernwood Cove camper or a seasoned veteran, connecting with your Cove Pal is a great way to get ready for the summer. You can ask/answer questions, talk about what you're looking forward to and even discuss the magic of Chef Dave's mac-n-cheese! If you have any questions about your Cove Pal please contact Beigette (Beigette@fernwoodcove.com)—she'll gladly help you get connected!

Preparing For A Smooth Transition to Camp

Some of us have been counting down the days for weeks or months...some of us since we left camp last summer. There's tons of excitement in the air, and likely a bit of nerves. Whether it's your first summer at camp or you already call Fernwood Cove your summer home, it's perfectly normal to be a bit nervous about what the coming summer holds. To help everyone have a smooth transition into camp, I asked for some advice from some of our most seasoned Fernwood Cove girls— our CITs! Here's what they had to say:

"I remember on my first day of camp, I got there at 10 AM and kicked my parents out in 10 minutes tops. My mom cried, but I was so excited I didn't notice." -Lily

"I was SO scared to ask where my bunk was (I got lost and walked in to a 7th grade bunk), so don't be afraid to ask anyone for help. It's a groovy way to make new pals!" - Kaya

"Remember than everyone is in the same nervous position as you are." -Sofia

"Be open to meeting new people." (especially if you're missing home) - Kerry

"I think on my first day I was actually more nervous about saying goodbye to my parents than I was to say hello to all the new people. Having my Cove Pal surprise me at The Chick when I got there really helped." -Katie

"Reach out to older campers, CITs or staff if you're feeling lost. It really helped me on my first day!" - Emily

"Just try to take things step by step, because so much all at once can seem overwhelming." - Lily

"Take every opportunity- sure you can hang out by yourself, but you can also swim to the island with a friend- it's hard work, but it absolutely pays off." - Dana

"I don't know about anyone else, but I ALWAYS have trouble going to bed the first night because I'm so jittery and excited, so just expect that." -Kaya



Happy Birthday!

Kings and Queens and Bishops too, wanna wish the best to you!! Wishing the happiest of birthdays to all of Fernwood Cove's February Birthday Girls!

Audrey Smallman
Session 2
5/6/2002

Izzy Oberman
Session 1
5/4/2004

Sarah Hill
Session 1
5/31/2002

Margot Lopez-Silvero
Session 1
5/7/2001

Elizabeth Strehle
Session 2
5/23/2003

Mia Cerrone
Session 1
5/16/2004

Kaya Scheman
CIT
5/1/1999

Laura Holden
Session 2
5/20/2001

Natalie Freeman
CIT
5/28/1998

Remy Horne
Session 1
5/10/2002

Victoria Hansen
Session 1
5/16/2003

Blanka Halacsy
Session 2
5/9/2000

Sasha Matt
Session 2
5/23/2001

Hannah Oberman
Session 1
5/2/2006

Meredith Waldron
Session 2
5/20/2002

Maya Eisenberg
Session 1
5/23/2007

Colby Macaione
Session 1
5/22/2004

Brooke Warner
Session 1
5/25/2004

Lila Mueller
Session 2
5/26/2004

Eloise Morgan
Session 1
5/28/2002

Ryan Cerrone
Session 1
5/16/2004

Allison Gross
Session 2
5/12/2000

Abigail Rivett
Session 2
5/24/2003

Grace Namy
Session 2
5/9/2004

Ava Molin
Session 1
5/23/2005

Meg Woodard
Session 1
5/23/2000

Kathryn Augustine
Session 2
5/27/2000

Saige Winslow
Session 2
5/13/2006

Colleen Curto
Session 1
5/15/2002

Leo Phillips
Session 2
5/31/2004

Eve Pennington
Session 1
5/14/2003

Betsy Zales
Session 2
5/9/2005

Sylvie Gheewalla
Session 1
5/19/2001

Libby Cutler
Session 1
5/23/2001

Mariana Prado Farina
Session 2
5/24/2004

Emmie Smith
Session 1
5/4/2004

Casey Chanler
CIT
5/8/1999

Gisele Stigi
Session 1
5/16/2004

Victoria Nagle
Session 2
5/30/2002

Audrey Rosenblum
Session 1
5/24/2001

Daniela Marcasciano
Session 2
5/16/2000

Miller Owens
Session 1
5/14/2005

Kristen Graham
Session 2
5/15/2002

Oops...
We inadvertently left out a
birthday last month.
Happy belated birthday to
Jolie Viener
Session 1
April 1, 2003



We're Climbing to New Heights

Construction on the new climbing tower started in mid-May and the team from High 5 Adventure Learning Center is almost finished up. The new climbing tower is located in the same wooded area as the climbing wall that Fernwood Cove girls know and love. This will ensure ample climbing opportunities and challenges between the two climbing structures. Get ready for an amazing summer– grab your helmet and your harness...and up, up and away you go!

