

Hello Nature-Loving Families,

We're so excited to welcome your child to Sun School PA Day & Holiday Camp this year!

At Sun School, campers spend their days learning, playing, exploring, and building meaningful connections—with one another and with the natural world. Every week is filled with a variety of cooperative and self-directed activities designed to inspire curiosity and creativity.

Your child's week may include:

- Y Nature hikes and orienteering
- Y Science and discovery projects
- Y Scavenger hunts
- Relaxing hammock time
- Y Water/snow play or mud fun days

Our dedicated educators bring a wide range of camp and life experiences, united by a deep passion for supporting children's growth in nature. We embrace all weather and every season, and we believe it is important for children to get outside during all seasons to nurture a love of Peterborough's green spaces.

You'll receive a detailed newsletter before your child's camp week begins, outlining schedules, and activity highlights.

We can't wait to see you soon!

Warmly, Haley Culin



Camp Information

Daily Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Location: 1509 Sherbrook Street, Peterborough

Camp drop-off is at 8:00am and pick up is at 5pm. To allow for flexibility, staff will be present from 7:30am-8am and 5pm-5:15pm.

If your family is arriving by car, parking is available behind Westdale United Church near the back door that we are using for Sun School access.

During camp programs, camper daily sign-in and sign-out is required. This must be completed by an authorized person who is listed on the camper's Health and Information Form, or who has been approved, in writing by the child's parent/guardian. Any notice of changes to daily arrangements is appreciated.

If someone other than an authorized pick-up person arrives to pick up a child, staff will:

- 1. Call parent/guardian for verbal authorization.
- 2. Stay with the child until their parent/guardian or another authorized person arrives.

Children are not to leave Sun School programming without an authorized pick-up person.

Communication

We are committed to supporting consistent communication with parents/guardians about their camper's experience at Sun School, and working collaboratively to ensure a positive experience.

Should any behavioural issues and/or minor injuries occur during programming, these will be communicated at pick-up time, with a written follow-up as appropriate or requested. If a more critical issue or injury occurs during camp, parents/guardians will be contacted by phone immediately.

Emergency Contact: If there is an emergency, and you need to reach Sun School staff immediately, please call or text: 705-875-6983

Administrative Contact: If you have an inquiry about Sun School programming or registration, please email: sunschoolworkshops@gmail.com

Acknowledging The Land We Are On: Peterborough is located on Treaty 20 Michi Saagiig territory, in Nogojiwanong, which translates into "place at the end of the rapids." Sun School respectfully acknowledges that the Williams Treaty First Nations are the stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters in perpetuity, and our experienced staff work to foster an appreciation for each other and respect for this land.



Camper Code of Conduct

It is our commitment to provide a safe and nurturing environment for all campers. To assist us in offering the best camp experience we possibly can, we ask all parents/guardians to review this code of conduct with their campers.

At Sun School PA Day & Holiday Camp, we ask all campers to:

- **Respect themselves** by taking age-appropriate care of their bodies and needs.
- **Respect the environment** by caring for the plants, animals, and ecosystems we share.
- **Respect others** by treating fellow campers and staff with kindness and courtesy, helping create a safe and welcoming space for everyone.

Campers are expected not to:

- Y Engage in bullying, teasing, harassment, swearing, or aggressive behavior.
- Y Harm or damage the natural environment, including trees, plants, and gardens.
- Yandalize or damage church property, including buildings, equipment, or structures.
- 🌱 Take or use others' belongings without permission.
- Y Leave camp boundaries without staff permission and supervision.

Cell Phones

Campers may bring a phone but should only use it to contact a parent or guardian when necessary. We encourage full engagement in camp activities, nature, and each other - free from digital distractions.



Packing List

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We suggest campers bring the following items each week to ensure they are ready for any adventure.	
□ A backpack	☐ Snow gear for winter camps
☐ A nutritious lunch with plenty of snacks	☐ A change of footwear
(lunches will not be refrigerated)	A hat and sunglasses
A reusable water bottle	Sunblock
A change of clothes for rain or shine	☐ Bug spray

Pro Tips for Parents/Guardians

- ightharpoonup Check the weather daily and pack accordingly.
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