



Summer Camps Guide 2017



The Town of Deep River Recreation Department

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Welcome to Summer Camp!

The Summer Program Guide has been prepared to provide you and your children with information regarding all of our summer camp programs offered by the Town of Deep River Recreation Department. Throughout the guide you will find information regarding the programs we offer, program expectations, policies and procedures, as well as a list of necessities for campers to help prepare them for a summer of fun!



The Recreation Department is pleased to offer a full summer of exciting and dynamic summer programs for children aged 4 to 14 across four different camps including Playgrounds, Arts Camp, Sports Camp and Science Camp. Each camp is geared towards encouraging campers to engage in various activities such as literacy, physical activity, outdoor exploration, arts and crafts, sports and recreational activities and various scientific fields in a fun and safe environment. All of our programs encourage community involvement through field trips, outings, and partnerships with many local organizations, facilities, and artists.



For the 2017 summer season, Playgrounds, Arts Camp, Sports Camp, and Science Camp will be operating out of the Deep River Arena located at 2 Clubhouse Road, Deep River. Each program participates in daily outings. Therefore, the location for drop-off and pick-up may change. We ask that Parents and Guardians carefully review the Session Schedule for pick up and drop off locations. A Session Schedule will be provided to you at the start of each session.

Session Dates

Playgrounds and Sports Camp sessions run four times throughout the summer in two-week long sessions operating Monday to Friday from 9:00 am-4:00 pm beginning July 3rd and ending August 25th. Please note that Arts Camp and Science Camp run as a one week camp, offered twice during the summer. Arts Camp runs July 10th-14th and August 21st- 25th; Science Camp runs July 3rd-7th and July 24th-28th. Please visit our website to review session dates for each camp, including age specific camp dates for Sports Camp.

Playgrounds

The Playgrounds program has a long legacy in our community, operating for over forty years! Playgrounds is designed for campers aged 4 to 8, with options for half-day participation in the morning or the afternoon, as well as full-day participation. We recommend younger campers register for the half-day program. With an emphasis on games, crafts, outdoor exploration, and community outings, campers will participate in literacy, physical education, arts and science initiatives. Campers enjoy weekly themed days such as Pirate Day, Story Time at the Library, Teddy Bear Picnics, Superhero Day, Beach Fun Days, Camping Day and many more themed activity days. Campers regularly attend local parks and Lamure Beach in an effort to explore the outdoors in a safe supervised environment.

If your child is looking to have fun in the outdoors, participate in crafts, games, activities and community outings, then Playgrounds is the perfect summer program. Playgrounds operates Monday to Friday from 9:00 am-4:00pm. Campers are welcome on site no more than 5 minutes before camp begins, and must be picked up no later than 4:00pm. Campers must be able to practice unassisted self-care and we recommend packing clothing/bathing suits that campers can easily change into themselves.

Arts Camp

For campers with a talent for arts, or an interest in developing artistic skills, Arts Camp offers a fun and exciting opportunity to explore art, dance, and drama under the mentorship of our Leaders and many diverse and talented local artists. A full day program that explores painting, drawing, mixed media creations, crafts, pottery, dance, drama skills and games, Arts Camp has something for everyone! Be prepared to take on exciting projects led by Leaders or Special Guest local artists, while enjoying games, activities and visits to local parks and Lamure Beach.

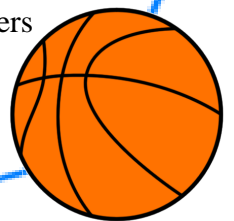
At the end of Arts Camp, campers can invite their families to the end of camp Art Show which will display the campers' works of art! Arts Camp runs July 10th-14th, and August 21st-25th from 9:00 am-4:00 pm and is open to campers ages 8 to 14. Campers are welcome on site no more than 5 minutes before camp begins, and must be picked up no later than 4:00 pm. Campers with parental permission can go home by themselves.



Sports Camp

Basketball, soccer, volleyball, broomball, badminton, swimming, and outdoor exploration are just a few of the awesome activities at Sports Camp! Sports Camp offers a fun, active, and non-competitive environment for those who enjoy being active, are interested in learning the basics of different sports, or want to further develop their athletic skills. All balls and equipment are provided for campers. Activities take place in facilities within Deep River including daily swims at the Deep River Community Pool and/or Lamure Beach. Sports Camp runs Monday to Friday from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Campers are welcome on site no more than 5 minutes before camp begins, and must be picked up no later than 4:00 pm. Because Sports Camp is an active camp, campers should be prepared to walk or bike to activities. Campers with parental permission can go home by themselves.

Please note that Session 1 and Session 3 of Sports Camp are open to campers aged 8 to 10. Session 2 and 4 of Sports Camp are open to campers aged 11 to 14. In the case that Session 4 has low registration numbers, it will also be opened to campers aged 8 to 10.



Science Camp

A new addition to the summer camp roster, Kevin Chi, a senior student in Life-Sciences at Queen's University, has created a program to get kids ages 10-14 engaged and as excited about science as he is. The program will be a one week camp offered for two sessions: Monday to Friday July 3rd- 7th and July 24th-28th from 9am to 4pm. Each day, campers will be exposed to a variety of activities that open their eyes to the wonders that science offers. They will carry out experiments as well as use their creativity to accomplish design challenges. The camp will nurture the fundamentals of teamwork, public speaking and problem solving throughout the week.

On the last day, an early evening event will be planned where students can give a short presentation about some of the science they thought was most interesting. This camp promises to be a good balance of educational value and fun.





Campers Check-List: What to wear and bring to camp!

We encourage campers to dress appropriately for the weather. As the majority of our time is spent in the outdoors, it is important to prepare your child for outdoor activities rain or shine.

Essential things to bring to camp include:

- Weather-appropriate outerwear (sun protection, rain gear, sweater, etc...)
- For Playgrounds and Sports Camp, closed toe shoes (sandals and Croc-style shoes are not suitable for indoor play or outdoor exploration)
- Hat and sunscreen
- Reusable water bottle
- Bathing suit, sandals, and towel

Please note that campers are responsible for applying sunscreen themselves. Please ensure your child knows how to apply sunscreen; we appreciate if parents review self-care and sun screen application with their children.

For all-day programs, campers are required to bring a healthy lunch, snacks for both morning and afternoon snack time, drinks and/or a reusable water bottle. **Please do not send your child with any peanuts or nut products due to severe allergy concerns.** If your camper is participating in the half-day Playgrounds program, please send them with healthy snacks for snack time, drinks and/or a reusable water bottle.

Campers registered for Playgrounds should bring a bathing suit that they can easily dress themselves in, as well as a towel. Campers registered for Arts and Sports Camp should bring bathing suits on days when a water activity is scheduled.

Inclement Weather Policy

Staff are mindful of weather patterns and will adjust programming, events, and venues accordingly. The Program Coordinator and/or Staff will notify Parents/Guardians of any program location changes. Should it begin to storm severely while the Playgrounds program is running at Lamure Beach, we kindly ask Parents and/or Guardians to pick up campers at their earliest convenience.

Off-Site Travel Policy

All of our programs incorporate trips off-site (away from the Arena) and visits to community parks, playgrounds, facilities, and venues. For scheduled special events, campers will walk or bike from the Arena to the required location, such as Lamure Beach or the Public Library. Please notify the Program Coordinator and/or Leaders if your child does not have permission to walk or bike to special outing locations. If a child does not have express permission, Parents and/or Guardians are responsible for getting their child to and from the sites.



Medical Concerns

Our priority is to ensure a fun and safe experience for all of our campers. If your child has **any** medical conditions that may affect their participation in our programs, please advise the Program Coordinator and/or Leaders of any medical concerns on the first day, or at registration. We are committed to ensuring our programs accommodate all campers' needs. Please feel free to contact the Summer Program Coordinator at ewaito@deepriver.ca or 613-584-2000 ext 104 to discuss any concerns.

If your child has a serious allergy, please prepare your child for camp by bringing their prescription Epi-Pen. **Campers who require Epi-Pens or inhalers in case of an emergency must have their prescription with them in a fanny pack that they can wear at all times.** To ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer, please be respectful of guidelines for communicable diseases. Please do not send a sick child to camp.



Photo and Media Release

Photographs of camp participants may be taken throughout the program for Recreation Department promotion purposes that may appear on the Town websites, or in local news. If you do not wish us to photograph or name your child, please do not hesitate to contact the Summer Program Coordinator at ewaito@deepriver.ca or by phone at 613-584-2000 ext 104.

Camper Conduct and Program Goals

The aim of all recreation programs and services offered by the Town is to provide enjoyable activities in a safe and positive environment. We expect that all campers be courteous and respectful to all participants and Leaders, use non-offensive language at all times, support and appreciate each other, solve problems in a fair and peaceful manner, and include others in their activities and play without violence, teasing, or bullying. If a camper acts inappropriately the camper will receive a warning first, and a goal/plan will be made to encourage positive and respectful interactions. Should the inappropriate behaviour continue or escalate, the Parent/Guardian will be notified by telephone that arrangements need to be made to pick up the camper from the program. *It is the Parent/Guardian's responsibility to pick up campers who have been sent home early.* We encourage Parents and Guardians to discuss appropriate plans with campers prior to the start of the program to ensure everyone can play in a safe and fun environment.

2016 Program Fees

Please visit our registration website at <https://www.booking.ca/bkdeepriverpub/> for more information regarding program fees and family discounts.

Contact Information

If you have any questions about the summer programs offered by the Recreation Department please do not hesitate to contact Erin Woiito, Summer Program Coordinator, via email at ewaito@deeperiver.ca or by phone at 613-584-2000 ext 104. Additionally, you can contact Christine Armstrong, Recreation Coordinator at carmstrong@deeperiver.ca or by phone at 613-584-2000 ext 103. We are happy to help you and your children in any way we can.

Thank you for considering a summer program with the Town of Deep River. We hope you have a safe and fun filled summer!

Please visit the Town of Deep River website at www.deeperiver.ca or the Recreation Department Booking website at <https://www.booking.ca/bkdeeperiverpub/> to register your child for this year's programs.