

THE BEAN NEWSLETTER - WINTER 2023 - 2024



We hope you all had a wonderful fall as we head into this holiday season! We are counting down the days until we can be back at camp, and we can't wait to share with you what's in store! In the meantime, we are happy to share once again with you another issue of the Bean Newsletter. Included in this issue is information about our upcoming 2024 summer season, year-round program information, and an update to our team!

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THE THEME

The moment we've all been waiting for is here. Thank you to those that voted on our 2024 theme – it was a very tight race! We are more than happy to share that this summer we will be transforming camp to the Mushroom Kingdom as our 2024 theme will be bringing our campers to the Super Mario World!







CAMPER APPLICATION LAUNCH

Our camp dates are now on our website and applications will open from Wednesday, January 10,2024 to April 30, 2024. Our staff and volunteer applications will open on Wednesday, January 10th.

Family Camp

- Family Camp 1 at Loon Lake July 2 to July 5
- Family Camp 2 at Loon Lake July 14 to July 17
- Family Camp 3 at Loon Lake July 17 to July 20
- Family Camp 4 at Camp Pringle August 17 to August 20
- Family Camp 5 at Camp Pringle August 20 to August 23

Kids Camp (7 to 15 years old)

- Kids Camp 1 at Loon Lake July 7 to 12
- Kids Camp 2 at Loon Lake July 22 to July 27
- Kids Camp 3 at Loon Lake July 29 to August 3

Leader in Training Programs (16 to 18 years old)

- LIT Venture 1 at Loon Lake July 7 to July 12
- LIT Discovery at Loon Lake July 22 to July 27
- LIT Venture 2 at Loon Lake July 29 to August 3

Teen Camp (15 to 18 years old)

Teen Camp at Camp Pringle – August 10 to August 15

The Exploration Project (18 to 21 years old)

The Exploration Project at Loon Lake – July 14 to July 17













Youth Winter Retreat

Our Youth Winter Retreat will take place from **February 2 to 4, 2024** and is for youth who have or have had cancer, and their siblings or bereaved siblings aged 15 to 21 years old. The program is at the beautiful Rockridge Canyon in Princeton where we will partake in a weekend full of activities such as snowshoeing, ziplining over a frozen lake, tubing down a snowy mountain, and much more! Transportation will be provided to and from the lower mainland. Stay tuned for the application link on <u>our website</u> which will open in early December. Keep an eye out for information on more youth events for the upcoming year!







Family Fun and Bonding (FAB)

We are happy to share that our next Family Fun and Bonding (FAB) event will be a day of Nordic skiing and snowshoeing at Whistler Olympic Park in coordination with Whistler Adaptive! This is an opportunity to try out these winter snow sports regardless of previous experience, and to do so with the helpful guidance and knowledge of the Whistler Adaptive coaches. It is important to highlight that to participate in this program you will be responsible for your own travel to and from Whistler and that as per BC law, your vehicle must have winter or M+S tires to travel on Highway 99. This next FAB event will take place on January 20 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Stay tuned for the application link on our website which will open in early December. Keep an eye out for information on more FAB events for the upcoming year!





TEAM UPDATE

Our wonderful medical Clinical Coordinator, Kelly Gilroy, is off on maternity leave. We are happy to share that Deanna Koot, who was our Summer Nurse in 2023, will be taking on that role for our 2024 summer camp season.

We are so grateful for all the memories that we were able to create and share this past summer. Keep an eye out as we share more information for in person programming in the coming months as we are so excited to share with you for what's in store for 2024!



As always, if you have any questions for us at Camp Goodtimes, you can reach us by email at gotcamp@cancer.ca.



