

Hi Kandalore Families,

It is hard to believe that the start of camp is just over five months away. I know that this summer remains a beacon of light to many families and their kids, and so it should! This has been a difficult year for us all, and now is a time that kids (and parents!) need camp more than ever.

Although we continue to see high Covid-19 case counts across Canada and around the world, we remain hopeful for an effective rollout of the vaccine. As much is changing day to day, I wanted to be in touch to outline how we intend on updating you on the planning of Summer 2021.

I will be sending regular updates with information specific to Covid-19 and how Kandalore plans to ensure a safe reopening for our community. I have 3 updates that I want to share with you today:

Focus on Covid-19 Preparation:

The health and well-being of our campers, staff and community remains our number one priority as we plan for the upcoming summer. Our Board and full-time team are meeting multiple times a week to discuss the implementation of safety measures to our site and program in order to provide a safe environment for all. Topics of priority are screening, testing, cohorting, dining, cleaning, masking, physical distancing and health centre strategies, to name a few.

Please also know, at the heart of all of these discussions remains the vital importance we attach to providing the same connective, fun, adventurous program that our campers experience every year. We will be updating families as we gain a clearer view of what our summer together will look like.

Ontario Camps Association (OCA):

As a member of the OCA, Kandalore is working with our association and other camps to prepare for the summer ahead. The OCA has been working hard this past year to connect with different levels of government to advocate for camps. A comprehensively researched Field Guide is also being developed using research largely from public health and Ministry of Health guidelines to ensure safe operations this summer.

Your Questions:

It is a priority for us to address the questions and concerns of our parents. To ensure we are doing so, we welcome you to click [here](#) to voice any Covid specific questions you have. These questions will be gathered anonymously and will help guide and prioritize our communication with our community moving forward.

Take care and be well,

Janice