

REMEMBER YOU ARE NEVER ON YOUR OWN!

All our leaders will have to fill in an application form, provide us with two referees, a personal statement and have a Criminal Records Bureau check.

Before being accepted as a leader, first timers will be asked to come to the Family Trust office for an interview. You will also be asked to agree with and sign our leaders policy.

Chequer Tree Camp Leaders' Policy

- Read the Chequer Tree Camp leaders' manual, and follow the guidelines.
- Share in the responsibility for the physical and spiritual well being of children at Camp, particularly those in your dorm.
- Encourage children to participate in all activities with keenness and enthusiasm.
- Be on time for all camp meetings and activities.
- Keep your dorm tidy, thereby setting an example to the children to keep theirs tidy as well.
- Ensure that at night time all the children in your dorm are in bed and settled down at the appropriate time.
- Go to bed no later than midnight.
- No forming of romantic relationships at Camp, or at least keep them 'on hold' until the end of Camp.
- No girlfriends/boyfriends visit during the week of Camp.
- No smoking or consumption of alcohol/drugs within the grounds or buildings of Camp.
- No swearing or bad language!!

If you have read this brochure and are beginning to feel excited and think 'this is for me'! Then apply now by contacting the Family Trust for an application form.
It could change your life!

Chequer Tree Camp! 2012



Leaders Wanted!

Week 1

28th July-3rd August

Week 2

4th - 10th Aug

For planning purposes, please apply by the 24th February, applications received after this date will be considered based on availability!

We also ask leaders for a minimum contribution of £45. This includes the cost of the training weekend, food, accommodation and activities.

Interested?

Chequer Tree Camp began in 1987 as part of *The Family Trust's* ongoing children's work in Maidstone. It aims to bring children together to have fun, learn more about themselves and explore the Christian faith.

A leader's role is to help and encourage the children to do this.

Everyone at Chequer Tree Camp, including leaders, takes part in an award scheme. This includes achievement for workshops, remembering Bible verses, keeping a diary, behaviour and generally taking part in all activities.

Each week around seventy 9 to 12 year olds and their leaders can enjoy full board dormitory accommodation and other excellent facilities.

Each dorm group consists of between 4 and 10 children of similar age and same gender. There are two leaders assigned to every group, normally an adult and a junior leader. Throughout the week these leaders will get to know their dorm and spend time with them in many activities. They will also be responsible for the care of each child in their dorm.

Each week will have a leadership team consisting of Camp Director, Assistant Director, Pastors and Team Pastors. These people will be experienced leaders who will always be available to help and guide you.

Our focus is on the spiritual and physical care of each and every child at CTC. For this reason, it is essential we have the correct group of leaders each week. Therefore, we will be considering all applications received by the 24th Feb before accepting any leaders. Applications received after this date will also be considered based on availability.

All our leaders must be practising Christians who seek to serve God and have a heart to see young lives impacted with the love of God.

The Family Trust is a registered charity; number 299019

Average day at Chequer Tree Camp!

- 7:00am - Leaders meeting
- 8:30am - Breakfast
- 9:30am - Chores
- 10:00am - Diary/Dorm time
- 10:30am - Kit notes
(small group time)
- 11:30am - Drinks
- 11:45am - Swimming
- 1:00pm - Lunch
- 2:00pm - Chores
- 2:30pm - Depart for outing
- 4:30pm - Return
- 5:15pm - Tea
- 6:15pm - Chores
- 6:30pm - Free Time
- 7:00pm - Band practice
- 7:30pm - Powerhouse
(evening celebration)
- 9:00pm - Camp fire
- 10:00pm - Lights out
- 11:00pm - Leaders time
- 12:00am - Leaders bedtime!

During the week you may also find :

- Tuck shop
- Workshops
- Water games
- Midnight Feast
- Wide game

You may be thinking all this sounds great but how will I know what to do?!

Before camp starts, we will hold a **residential training weekend** for all leaders. This has proved to be a great time where leaders can meet one another, get familiar with the venue and prepare for camp. This year it will be on

**SAT 21st / SUN 22nd July at
Marlborough House School.**

The programme will include praise and worship, team building, training in discipline, health and safety, child protection and plenty of time for prayer.



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