

August 22, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope everyone's summer is going well. CAMP MAPLE was a huge success. Students have already or will be heading off to school shortly. We will be purchasing school supplies for the upcoming school year. Camping has been going wonderful. We have one or two more trips scheduled, and then September will be the end of our camping season.

I would like to inform you that Hilsa has resigned as the volunteer/clothing coordinator. We wish Hilsa well in her future endeavors. The volunteer department will be searching for another volunteer coordinator. Also, Jenna Gasper (our current Recreational Therapist) will be handling the clothing coordinator aspect of Hilsa's position. Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Nursing:

Unfortunately, Tom (outing nurse) resigned his position. We are currently trying to fill the outing nurse position. Tom will continue to volunteer on outings.

For nursing issues contact Rose Cousins at ext. 3240 or email her at rcousins@marklund.org.

Clothing Issues:

As mentioned, Jenna Gasper will be our new clothing coordinator. Please feel free to contact her at jgasper@marklund.org for any clothing concerns.

Habilitation Team:

We continue to have outings on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and every other Saturday. Please see the attached schedule, and feel free to join us on any of the outings.

Massage Therapy:

For those parents who have been awaiting massage therapy, I am sorry to say we are no longer offering this service at Marklund Philip Center. Our former massage therapist Karen, was an employee/nurse, and we were fortunate to have her extend massages to our clients. However, since her resignation, it has been difficult to secure a massage therapist. Please contact me, and I can provide you with further details on the subject. Again, I apologize however Marklund provides a wide variety of other activities and therapies such as pet and horse therapy which has been going well.

Closing:

Thank you for returning any forms that needed to be updated. If you have not done so, please fill out our parent survey. We appreciate parent and guardian input. If you have not received the parent survey, please let me know. You can fill it in on-line or on paper.

Sincerely,



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