Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry
Pilgrim Lodge Division
West Gardiner, Maine, USA
Jessica Michaud and Nicole Pilotte, Co-Headmistresses

June 2016

Dear Destination Hogwarts Camper,

Welcome to Hogwarts!

We are pleased to inform you that you have been accepted at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry's Pilgrim Lodge Division, located in West Gardiner, Maine. Please find enclosed a list of all necessary books and equipment. Please be sure your parents/guardians receive the information attached.

Term begins on Sunday, July 24, 2016 at 2:00 pm.
There is no need to send am owl to confirm your attendance.
We look forward to meeting you then!

Yours sincerely,

Jessica Michaud, Co-Dean, Co-Headmistress;
Nicole Pilotte, Co-Dean, Co-Headmistress

Attachments: details on uniforms, course books and equipment

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UNIFORMS/COURSE BOOKS/EQUIPMENT

*Please note: Students may **not** bring an owl OR a cat OR a toad –*
but they are welcome to use ours should they have need.

Suggested Equipment/clothing/supplies for Hogwarts in convenient checklist format:

Clothes:

- ☐ *7 t-shirts/tops*
- ☐ *2-3 Long-sleeved shirts*
- ☐ *At least 1-2 warmer layers, like fleeces, hoodies, or sweatshirts*
- ☐ *2-4 pair shorts*
- ☐ *At least 1 pair of long pants or jeans*
- ☐ *1-2 bathing suits*
- ☐ *At least 1 pair of shoes/sandals for regular wear*
- ☐ *1 pair of sneakers or other closed-toed shoes*
- ☐ *4-7 pair socks (depending on how often you wear shoes/sneakers)*
- ☐ *8 pair underwear (always pack at least one extra pair!!)*
- ☐ *1 "fancy" outfit for the Christmas Feast/Yule Ball if you choose to dress up – it is *not* required*
- ☐ *1 costume for the Halloween feast – please make this Hogwarts-related if possible!*
- ☐ *1 hat*

Other necessities:

- ☐ *Sunglasses*
- ☐ *Sunscreen and Bug Spray*
- ☐ *Toothbrush/paste*
- ☐ *Towel (2 if possible – one for shower, one for swimming)*
- ☐ *Sleeping bag & pillow*
- ☐ *Stuffed companion of the animalistic variety (if required/preferred)*
- ☐ *Flashlight (this one is important)*
- ☐ *Personal items (glasses, contacts, medications, feminine products, etc.)*
- ☐ *Water bottle (at least 1 liter)*

Optional:

- ☐ *Cards/board games*
- ☐ *Books (If you bring your HP books, be sure to **WRITE YOUR NAME** in them!! We have the feeling more than a few of these will be wandering around. Other books are good too! Bring 'em! We are pro-reading at Hogwarts!!)*
- ☐ *Bible if you have one*
- ☐ *Camera (if you want to bring it); preferably separate from a cell phone*
- ☐ *Musical Instruments (make sure they have a protective case)*

- *Other things you might need for a talent show performance (music, tap shoes, etc.)*
- *Fishing equipment if you enjoy fishing and would like to do some during option times, do NOT bring any knives please; all fish caught at PL must be thrown back into the lake*

*DO **NOT** BRING:*

electronics, cell phones, video games, ipods, iPhones, iPads, pretty much anything electronic with an "i" at the beginning of it, camping knives, matches, leathermans

You will be asked to leave if you bring:

alcohol, illegal drugs or substances, weapons, fireworks.

PARENTS ARE REMINDED THAT FIRST YEARS ARE
***NOT** ALLOWED THEIR OWN BROOMSTICKS.*

(Unless they want to just clean the cabin with them,
in which case they should bring as many as possible.)

June 2016

Greetings Parents and Friends of Destination Hogwarts Witches and Wizards!

Prepare for the adventure of a lifetime! We are so excited to bring you news and details about our week at Hogwarts/PL, July 24-30, 2016!

First, let us introduce ourselves: we are Co-Dean/Headmistress Jess Michaud and Co-Dean/Headmistress Nicci Pilotte. Jess has been a Hogwarts counselor for 3 years before becoming a dean. Nicci was welcomed to Hogwarts for the first time as a counselor 4 summers ago, began as a dean the following summer. She is also a former PL camper! Nicci and Jess have been friends for years and have worked together on many theatrical productions. Following is some information we thought you might like to have regarding our week, which is coming fast!

PL's 2016 MISSION PROJECT:

We're excited about the mission that Pilgrim Lodge has taken on this summer. We will be working with Daisy's Children. Daisy's Children provides many vital services to the children and families of Honduras.

Because of the food, water, shelter, regular meals, and other necessities Daisy's Children provides, many of these children are alive today.

To fund these life-saving supplies and programs, Daisy's Children raises American dollars through ongoing fundraisers and projects.

We hope you will join us in ensuring that the children of these communities receive the same opportunity as your child, nephew, niece, or loved ones have. Monetary donations are always welcome. Due to the current conditions in Honduras, the group is also in need of Lice Removal Kits and Children's Tylenol.

THINGS FOR YOUR KIDS TO GET EXCITED ABOUT:

- ★ First thing upon arriving, witches and wizards will be sorted into cabins and houses! Campers may bypass the fanfare if they wish – please just let us know as soon as you arrive at the Deans' Table if you would rather do sorting quietly – we will be at the end of the registration line.
- ★ We will have a Halloween feast, a Christmas feast, and a Yule ball!
- ★ Nearly all of our activities will be Hogwarts -based!
- ★ We will have traditional camp events as well – like the cookout, the talent show, ice cream every day, interest groups, bunk time (woohoo!) and many more.
- ★ We are going to have so much fun that you won't be able to get your kid(s) to stop talking about it. Honest – just ask the folks from last year. And the year before. And the year before.

WITCH AND WIZARD DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP DETAILS:

DROP OFF – SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016 BEGINNING 2:00PM-

- Kids should be dropped off at Pilgrim Lodge/Hogwarts **NO EARLIER than 2:00pm Sunday, July 24, 2014. Registration will end promptly at 3:30pm.** Our first event will begin at 4:00pm sharp, and all campers must be moved in well before that time.
- On arrival, please follow signs and directions from camp staff on where to unload and where to park. You may leave belongings in piles outside Cabin 1 (or inside the Lodge if it's raining) until you find out your witch/wizard's cabin.
- After unloading and parking, grab your camper's paperwork and health form if it hasn't been previously mailed, and walk down to the area outside the Ping Pong Porch – this is where the line for registration will form.
- Please wait in line until your child is registered, nurse-approved, and sorted into cabin and house. Accompanying friends/family members may explore camp via the boardwalk, the waterfront, or visit the camp store for ice cream or souvenirs – but ***only after registration has opened at 2:00pm.* Please consider the camp closed until 2pm on Sunday 7/24.**
- Witches and Wizards will be sorted into Houses and into Cabins as part of the registration process. Following the sorting, reunite with your witch/wizard's baggage, and move it down the boardwalk to the appropriate cabin (a levitation charm works best here); meet your child's counselor, and be sure to sign in with them. ***Don't forget to write down on the sign-in sheet the name of any person that is authorized to pick up the witch/wizard on Saturday, July 30. *****Please note that we cannot release campers to people other than parents or legal guardians unless they are listed on this sheet and there are NO exceptions.********
- ***After*** stuff is in your kid's cabin and you have signed in with the counselor, please encourage your child to change up and head to the waterfront to do their swim check. While this can be tough, we all need to be safe in the water at Hogwarts. Swim checks may also be taken at various times during the week if kids choose not to take them Sunday afternoon, but it is preferred for them to do it Sunday. In addition, this is the only opportunity they will have to swim on Sunday.
- After the swim check, kids may go back to cabins and change, and hang out with their counselors until the bell rings at 4:00pm and their first cabin meeting will begin. If kids choose not to do swim check, they have until 4:00pm to be with either families or their counselor on the boardwalk/in the cabin. Parents, guardians, families dropping off witches and wizards may leave as soon as the witch/wizard is signed in with their counselor – their counselor is responsible for them from this point on, and will need to know their whereabouts at all times, beginning as soon as families leave.
- Families and friends - please be sure to leave PL by 4:00pm – we love you, but you can't stay after that – we need to get our week started!!

PICK UP – SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2016 9:30AM–

- **Please arrive to pick up your witch/wizard at 9:30 am on Saturday morning July 30.** We will gather on the waterfront (or in the Big Room of the Lodge, depending on weather) for a Closing Circle, and witches and wizards will be free to fly home following its finish. All of their gear will be in piles in the lodge for pickup.
- **Please DO NOT LEAVE CAMP without signing your child OUT OF CAMP on your witch's/wizard's counselor's sign-in sheet – you MUST see and speak with your child's counselor in order to do this.** The counselors will be set up in the dining room of the lodge, please find them there – when kids have been signed out, their counselors will pass out camp pictures and rosters.
- Please do not walk down the boardwalk to the cabins on Saturday – staff are cleaning and need easy access to all the cabins for this.
- In addition, it is most important that we all leave camp promptly so that staff can complete cleaning and get PL ready for its next lucky visitors – your respect for this need is most appreciated.

WHAT TO BRING:

- The packing list is included in the letter to witches and wizards this year, it can be found in the first part of this document.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS:

- Don't hesitate to contact us by phone, text or email!
  - ★ Jess Michaud mgjessy@hotmail.com
  - ★ Nicci Pilotte 603-969-1890 niccip313@outlook.com

Peace be with you until we meet on July 24th at Hogwarts!

- Headmistresses Jess & Nicci