

February 4th, 2018



Dear Suns of Sphairee Donors,

I want to begin by thanking all of you who donated so generously last year to the Suns of Sphairee bursary fund. Through your contributions we were able to send five boys to camp in 2017. Ethan, Cooper and Jack as well as brothers Evan and Dylan, had the opportunity to spend part of their summer on the shore of Lake Baptiste. In their thank you notes to donors, the Suns of Sphairee campers wrote of their favorite activities, seeing moose on canoe trip, PHL, and the great time that they were having. These letters brought back memories of my time at camp and letters I wrote my parents.



A month at Ponacka exposes campers to life lessons that are learned as if through osmosis from counsellors, cabin mates and experiences where you have to work together and get along with others. Each day these moments pass by without much thought, but time at camp has a powerful and lasting impact on anyone who passes through the Ponacka gate. Whether it's the PHL finals or a game of Commandos, campers are taught to be honest, fair and friendly at all times, to not be boastful in victory, nor to lose heart in defeat. These events, lessons learned from morning talks and daily experiences, help guide Ponackians throughout their lives.

One of the special things about the Suns of Sphairee is that most boys attend for several summers and receive support year after year as they progress through camp. A few of these boys are already signed up this summer and we hope to send new Suns of Sphairee campers to camp for their first time. To make this possible, I'd be grateful if you'd consider donating to send boys from Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Peterborough to camp. Donors receive a tax receipt as well as a thank you letter from the boys to let you know about their time at camp. Thanks very much and I wish you all the best!



Kind regards,

Gordon Dunlop ('92-'11)

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