## **International Staff Packing List...**

Lots of underwear and socks
Swimsuit (We are located on a beautiful lake and there will be plenty of opportunity to swim throughout the summer- bring at least two if you are in a daily water program area)
Sports clothing (You will probably need at least one outfit you can run around in if not more, bring more sporty clothes if you are on a sports program area)
4 pairs Shorts CAMP CONISTON CAMP CAMP CONISTON CAMP CAMP CONISTON CAMP CAMP CAMP CAMP CAMP CAMP CAMP CAMP
8-10 T-shirts
2 Warm sweatshirts or fleece tops the
1-2 pairs sweatpants (or can be purchased at camp store)
1-2 pairs of Jeans
Rain Jacket (We get varied weather during the summer, often sunny and warm, but there are cooler rainy days)
Pyjamas/comfy clothes to sleep in (nights can be cool sometimes, other times hot and humid)
A few 'dressier' outfits for Sunday chapel (We dress up once a session for those who want to, most staff take this chance to wear sundresses or ties, not too formal)
1-2 pair of Flip Flops/ slip on shoes
1 pair of Sneakers (aka. Trainers/tennis shoes)
Sandals/ casual shoes (for days off)
Sunglasses
Sunscreen
Toiletries (It is cheaper for you to buy them in the USA so just bring travel size ones as we'll go to Walmart in the first couple days)
Bug spray (You will need this) and possibly bug bite soother
Phone – If you can get a sim card that works in the USA I highly recommend doing it. There is a Wi-Fi room at camp but you may want a phone that can access the internet without being connected to Wi-Fi as staff often communicate through Coniston's staff Facebook page.
Any chargers you need
Power/electric converter between countries if you want to plug anything in.
Camera & batteries or charger with plug adapter (You may want to take photos during the summer, but you can't use your phone in front of the campers so a camera is a great idea)
If you have a wireless speaker feel free to bring it (if you're in cabin you may use it to wake up your campers with music, but don't worry if you don't want to bring one as most of the American staff will have them).
Bring a sleeping bag for yourself if you plan to travel after camp, or plan to purchase one here in the USA. (Camp supplies pillows, sheets, blankets and towels for all international staff)

<u>Notes about the above</u>: you will want mostly comfortable camp/outdoor clothes to work in with kids, but you will want a couple of nicer outfits that are comfortable for your days-off camp with other staff.

Kitchen Staff: bring clothes for work that you don't mind if they get really dirty by end of the summer.

<u>Horseback Staff</u>: if possible, bring clothes for that particular program such as riding shoes/boots, comfortable shoes & clothes for barn chores, riding pants if you want, but jeans or leggings are fine. You do not need to bring a helmet unless you prefer your own. Camp provides helmets for all riders.

## **Additional Tips for Everyone**

When packing, know that <u>most of the clothing you buy might not necessarily go back home with you!</u> Staff like to make and buy their own T-shirts towards the end of the summer so be prepared to have a lot of T-shirts when you go home therefore be prepared to throw out some old ones when the summer is over.

Clothing while working at camp <u>must be appropriate</u> and not "revealing" like club clothes can be. Bring full length shirts (no belly showing) and no short shorts. Be sure that t-shirts have appropriate language and are not referencing alcohol, anatomy, sexual innuendo, etc.

- The weather can vary, so have clothes for very hot weather (30C+) and then for very cold, wet and rainy days!
- There are laundry facilities at camp for the staff to use. Camp provides the laundry detergent for international staff (American staff must bring their own).
- Bring anything that will help you teach your program areas
- Feel free to bring any silly or colorful clothes you own as there will be lots of chances to wear them
- If you forget anything don't worry!! There will be plenty of chances to go to a shop before the campers arrive if you need anything.

Please contact us if you have any questions.