
MORLAND CHORISTERS' CAMP

*A Residential Course approved by the Royal School of Church Music
founded in 1970 by The Revd Canon Gervase Markham MBE*



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Dear Chorister/Parent,

We are delighted you are coming to the **51st Morland Choristers' Camp 2022**. We look forward to seeing you on **Sunday 31st July**. Please read carefully through the information in this letter, including the *Timetable*, *Clothes & Equipment* list and the *Camp Rules*. You should also have received the *Nominal Roll* of those coming to Camp, which shows groupings and responsibilities that have been carefully worked out to give a good balance, and, as far as possible, to meet your requests - please tell us of any corrections needed.

SUPPLYING REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Along with paying the remainder of your fees, we would be grateful if as soon as possible you could please complete the relevant online Pre-Camp Registration Form which may be found at <https://morland.org.uk/forms/2022-pre-camp-registration-forms/>.

BOOKING-IN

Arrival time is **between 3.00am and 4.30pm*** (or between **2.30pm and 3.00pm for Junior Leaders**) on **Sunday 31st July**. Everyone must report to the **Village Hall** (CA10 3AT) first in order to:

- Check in with the Welcome Team
- Hand in pocket money to Cashier/Bankers
- Consult the Health Team if/as required
- Meet the Musical Directors, have height measured for seating

Following this, you will be shown to the Church and Campsite in order to:

- Hang up choir robes
- Stow bedding and baggage at the Campsite

*ALTERNATIVE ARRIVAL TIMES

Seniors need to arrive preferably on the Saturday, and at the absolute latest in time for a meeting at 10.00am on Sunday morning in the Village Hall. Alternative arrangements should be discussed with the House Parents.

Junior Leaders are asked to book in on **Sunday between 2.30pm and 3.00pm** and attend a meeting at 4.30pm.

The **train party from London** arrives on Sunday afternoon.

For those new to Morland, it is easily accessible as follows:

- From **the North** and M6 Junction 40 (via Cliburn): enter Morland with the church on your left; go straight ahead up the hill (bearing right at the traffic island towards Newby). The Village Hall is on the right as you leave the village, next to the school.
- From **the South** and M6 Junction 39 (via Newby): the Village Hall is on the left as you enter Morland.
- From **the East** and A66 (via Bolton): go through Morland and up the hill, bearing left at the traffic island. The Village Hall is on the right as you leave the village, next to the school. A sketch map of Morland village is included in this letter.

SERVICES, CONCERTS & PRIZEGIVING

Parents/family/friends are most welcome to attend the events on the *Timetable* marked for their attention. The **Concert** this year will take place at **Penrith Methodist Church**, Wordsworth Street, Penrith CA11 7QY. *Please note: parking is limited in the area close to the church: you are advised to allow more time to locate a car park and walk to the venue (www.penrithmethodist.co.uk). We recommend The Drover's Lane car park.* **Evensong** will take place at **Carlisle Cathedral** on Friday (5th August) **Prize-giving** on the final Sunday will take place in **Morland Church** immediately before the **Final Service**. Parents, families and friends are most welcome at both the Prize-giving and **lunch** beforehand.

Please note that we no longer sell tickets for events. Instead, donations will be invited from those attending. There is a section on the *Pre-Camp Registration Form* for parents to indicate likely numbers, to help us plan seating and refreshments.

Recordings of the performances may be made during the week, with a possible national broadcast this year. We will provide further information about these, including how to access, at the end of Camp week. Please let us know if you have any questions about these.

DEPARTURE

We need to ensure that every Chorister aged under 18 is handed back to the responsibility of a nominated adult at the end of Camp. Camp ends on Sunday 7th August following the final service (around 4.30pm), or for those on the London Train Party, when the train arrives at Euston. There is a section on the online *Pre-camp Registration Form* for parents to tell us the arrangements for collecting choristers.

'FRIENDS OF MORLAND' CHORAL EVENSONG

A previous fixture in the calendar of *The Friends of Morland Choristers Camp* (an association of former and current choristers and staff, and their families, friends and other supporters) has been to sing Evensong in Carlisle Cathedral on the last Saturday of Camp. Please note, this will not be taking place this year, however you would be welcome to take part in the 50th Anniversary Celebrations at Morland Church instead.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS - FRIENDS OF MORLAND CHORAL EVENSONG, MORLAND CHURCH

Morland Choristers' Camp (at the third attempt) is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. To mark this very special occasion, we are holding a **reunion of Alumni and Friends**, based at Newby End Farm to run concurrently with the 'business end' of the main Camp.

As part of the programme we are running a **Friends of Morland Choral Evensong** in Morland Church on **Saturday 6th August** at 5pm and would be delighted if you would like to join us. The rehearsal is at 11am at Newby End Farm, followed by lunch and an afternoon rehearsal in Morland Church at 2.30pm. There will be a small charge of £10 per head which can be paid on the day. The Director of Music will be Catherine Beddison, a former Director of Music of Morland Camp, who is delightful and highly motivating.

We already have a fantastic group of Alumni signed up but we always welcome kindred spirits. Parents of choristers and their guests are especially welcome. If you would like to come, please email Frances Yeowart (alumni@morland.org.uk) by Monday 18th July with your voice part and any special requirements.

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any **questions or concerns before Camp starts**, please contact either us via email admin@morland.org.uk or call David Jones (Camp Chair) - 01931 714338) or Cathy Martin (Administrator) - 07507 764683.

For **contact while the Camp is in progress**, please note the following information.

- a) Any parents/guardians wishing to telephone Camp while it is in progress may do so as follows:
 - The Camp's Duty Phone 07507 764683 (answer or voice-mail 24 hours a day)
 - The Camp's General Manager 01931 714338 (answer or voice-mail 24 hours a day)

- b) Letters to choristers attending Camp should be addressed as follows:
[Name of chorister], Morland Choristers Camp, Newby End Farm, Newby, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 3EX
- c) If Camp Staff need to contact a parent/guardian during Camp, they will use the contact details supplied by the parent/guardian on the online *Pre-Camp Registration Form*. Please ensure that these appropriately cover the period during which the camp takes place.

INFORMATION FOR NEW CHORISTERS, to let you know what to expect at Camp, can be found at the end of this document.

If you need to know something, just ask. Or, if you forget to take something or lose it - say so. If you feel unwell, see the Health Team on Duty or another member of staff. If ever you are worried about something, please tell someone - there are notices in different places telling you of people you can talk to. And, if you need someone during the night, there is always a member of staff in the Duty Staff on the Campsite in the Duty Tent.

We are all - choristers and staff - here to help you. We want you to be happy and have a lot of fun. Enjoy the week!

Best wishes,
David Jones (Camp Chair) & Cathy Martin (Camp Administrator)

The Camp's written policies on Child Protection, Bullying, Health & Safety in general, Discipline and Complaints are available to any chorister or parent upon request to the Admin Team or Safeguarding Lead.

TIMETABLE

** Parents and friends are welcome at these events*

Saturday

- 16.00 Staff Meeting in Village Hall
- 18.30 Dinner for staff (Village Hall) and for those senior choristers already in Morland (Crown Inn)

Sunday

- 09.00 Breakfast for staff and senior choristers who arrived on Saturday (Village Hall)
- 10.00 Staff and Senior Singers' meeting at Village Hall
- 11.00-12.30 Senior Singers' booking-in at Village Hall
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.00 Welcoming party assemblies at Village Hall
- 14.00-15.00 Choristers aged 16 and 17 (Junior Leaders) book in at Village Hall
- 15.00-16.30 Choristers aged under 16 book in at Village Hall
- 16.30-17.00 Meeting for all Junior Leaders
- 17.15 *Opening Service in Church (choir robes not worn)
- 17.45 Supper in the Village Hall, followed by Team Captains' meeting, then first rehearsal in Church
- 22.00 Lights out (23.00 for Junior Leaders)

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

- 08.00 Breakfast in Village Hall
- 09.00 Inspection
- 09.30 Prayers and rehearsal in Church, break at 10.45, sectionals at 11.15, full rehearsal in Church at 12.20
- 12.45 Lunch, followed by Afternoon Activity (Wide-Game, Sports, Dam-Building etc.)
- 18.00 Supper
- 19.00 Rehearsal in Church, followed by Compline service at 21.00
- 22.00 Lights out (23.00 for Junior Leaders)

Wednesday (breakfast, inspection, lunch, afternoon activity, supper and lights out as above)

- 09.30 Prayers and sectionals, break at 10.45, full rehearsal in Church at 11.15
- 19.00 Rehearsal in Church, followed by break at 19.45 (drinks available) and Compline rehearsal, with Alumni at 20.00
- 20.30 *Choral Compline service

Friday (morning starts as usual, but rehearsals finish earlier)

- 12.30 Lunch, then coach to Carlisle, Evensong rehearsal, tea in Tithe Barn (around 16.30)
- 17.45 *Evensong in Carlisle Cathedral
(with time to meet choristers during the tea-break, noting time after the service is very limited)
- 19.45 Supper (no rehearsal after supper, no Compline, lights out as usual)

Saturday (morning starts as usual, but practices finish earlier)

- 12.30 Lunch, followed by coach to Penrith for Concert rehearsal
- 17.30 Supper
- 19.00 *Concert at Penrith Methodist Church *(with time to meet choristers in the interval)*
- 22.00 Lights out as usual (or 30 minutes after arriving back from Penrith, if later)

Sunday

- 08.00 Breakfast (wearing smart clothes) then rehearsal in Village Hall
- 09.15 Rehearsal
- 10.30 *Procession
- 10.45 *Parish Eucharist in Morland Church
- 12.15 Group Quiz
- 13.00 *Buffet lunch in School for Parents/Family, Choristers, Senior Singers, and Staff
- 14.00 *Prize-giving in Morland Church
- 15.30 *Final Thanksgiving Service in Morland Church
- 16.45 Choristers under-18 depart (except London Train Party)
- 17.15 London Train Party coach departs for train (18.05, arriving into Euston 21.18)
- 20.00 Staff and guests' supper at Mill Yard; Seniors' supper in The Crown Inn

CAMP RULES

We aim to operate as an All-Age Family, the older ones looking after the younger ones. This works well, but every family needs its Rules so they are being circulated in advance in order that everyone knows where they stand.

1. The Camp is a Non-Smoking Area, in the interests of singing and health.
2. The Crown Inn is Out-of-Bounds to those under 16. The Licensees are given a list of those who are 16 and 17 years old and will adhere to the law in not serving them alcoholic drinks. The Camp will operate a shop selling soft drinks, sweets etc.
3. Choristers are not permitted dangerous or distracting articles (e.g. knives, matches, televisions). Chewing gum is heavily discouraged and is banned in the church or other public buildings.
4. Choristers must be considerate in their use of mobile phones, cameras and digital/social media. They must not be used during rehearsals, services/concerts and other public events, or between lights-out and 7.00am. Photos/videos must not disclose spoken or visual contact details or personal information. Interaction with fellow choristers on digital/social media must follow the same principles of considerate behaviour as face-to-face interaction.
5. Unless told otherwise, Choristers must stay within the area of Morland Village bounded by the School, Campsite, Church and Morland House at all times. The Beck is Out-of-Bounds. The Campsite is Out-of-Bounds to everyone other than those Choristers or Staff whose sleeping accommodation it is or who are on duty there. The Village Hall similarly (except when rehearsals are taking place). Choristers aged under 18 should not walk through the Village alone.
6. Parents and friends are most welcome to come on the first Sunday afternoon and see where the Camp takes place, and to attend the events on the Timetable marked for their attention. However, apart from this, any member of Camp wishing to bring friends into the Camp during the week must first ask a House Parent. Morland church remains open to the public, but friends may not be invited to meals with the Camp – there is no room, or we would have a bigger Camp.
7. Parking space at Morland House is only available to staff staying there. Any cars brought to Camp by Choristers may be used only by special arrangement with the House Parents.
8. The basic rule of having a worthwhile and enjoyable Camp is that we all, young and old, take trouble to be in the right place at the right time with the right equipment and Choristers do what they are told as quickly as they can.

The Camp's written policies on Child Protection, Bullying, Health & Safety in general, Discipline and Complaints are available to any chorister or parent upon request to the Admin Team or Safeguarding Lead.

NECESSARY CLOTHES AND EQUIPMENT

In addition to ordinary everyday wear, you will need:

For the church services

- Choir robes and ribbons (unless you have registered to borrow robes at camp)
- Smart clothes, appropriate for church:
 - white shirt and tie, or smart top, with smart, dark trousers (not denim or jeans) or skirt or smart dress
 - dark shoes (no high heels)

For the concert

- Smart clothes
 - white shirt and tie, or smart top, with smart trousers (not denim or jeans) or skirt or smart dress
 - smart shoes

For outdoor and sports

- Water bottle ½–1 litre (inexpensive plastic from supermarket is ideal – label will be supplied)
- Waterproof jacket
- Warm fleece or hoody
- Sports clothes and shoes
- Wellington boots or other waterproof shoes
- Old trainers/gym shoes (these will get wet during dam-building)
- Swimming kit and towel (useful for dam-building)

For overnights

- Bed roll*
- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Towel
- Toiletries
- A small torch

*please do not bring camp beds or air beds (*their noise disturbs others and there is not space to accommodate them*)

Medication - any prescription medicines etc required.

If medicines need to be kept secure please bring them in a secure container. (Any special requests should be noted on the *Pre-Camp Registration Form* including storage of spare medication by the Camp's Health Team).

Choristers bringing EpiPens are strongly advised to bring two – one to be carried with them and one to be held by the Camp's Health Team. We also invite you on the *Pre-Camp Registration Form* to authorise Camp staff to supply common items of medication as required.

Please note that, although the Health Team are on hand, choristers are expected generally to be responsible for their own medication. Non-prescription products, such as sun cream, insect repellent, throat lozenges, girls' hygiene etc should be brought as necessary (supplies are also kept by the Health Team).

Pocket money - between £5-£15 is recommended – this is to be handed to Bankers on arrival for safekeeping and then available as required

A tuck shop is open twice a day but parents are particularly asked not to send substantial quantities of 'junk food'. The Camp menus are carefully thought out and it is important for choristers to eat well in the interests of good health and good singing. Please also avoid chewing gum!

PLEASE NAME/LABEL CLOTHES AND POSSESSIONS!

INFORMATION FOR NEW CHORISTERS



Welcome!

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51st Morland Choristers' Camp 2022

You don't have to read any of this if you don't want to, as you will be shown where to go and told what to do, but it's here if you do want to read it ...

You will be in one of four groups (A, B, C, or D). Each Group has about a dozen people in each - led by two Team Captains and assisted by Junior Leads. Soon after you arrive you will be shown where you will be sleeping - all choristers sleep in tents at Greengill Campsite. There are several people on hand to help you - your Team Captain and the older Junior Leaders, and each group has an adult Senior Adviser who keeps an eye on things and makes sure all is well. Some of your group have been to the Morland Camp before and will help you find your way around. These notes give you an idea of what will happen the first evening and night that you arrive.

After booking-in is finished, your group will make their way to the Church, which we use for rehearsals and services. The first service is at 5.15pm - you won't need choir robes, or music, or anything else for it. After the service, it will be time for Supper, and you will be taken to Morland School which we use for all meals, except for breakfast which will be in the Village Hall. Then we go back to Church for our first rehearsal. After the practice, there is some free time before you make your way to bed at the Campsite. By 10.00pm you need to be in bed and ready for "Lights Out".

By then, you will know where we sing, where we eat, where we sleep.

During the day, choristers have access to the loos at the Campsite, in the Church, one close to and in Morland House, and the Village Hall washrooms.

In the morning, everyone needs to be at the Village Hall for breakfast at 8.00am, and there is clearing up to be done at the Campsite to leave everything tidy for the day. Again, you will be told what happens next - though the main points are on the timetable. There are also various jobs that Groups have to do during the week to keep things running smoothly - your Junior Leaders are in charge of those.

During the week, you will discover

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