

Summary for children and young people

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Thank you to everyone for helping me with my inspection and making sure I had such a great time. I have judged your holiday scheme as outstanding.

I was so impressed by all the activities you can choose from. There is something for everyone. The staff are inspirational, so much fun and make sure all your communication needs are met. It was great to see you all relax and just getting on with enjoying yourself.

You all have and make brilliant friendships. I was so impressed with how you all help and support each other. You all took on board the themes of kindness and being gracious. There were no concerns about bullying and I was so pleased about your pride about being deaf and the importance of being on holiday where you feel equal, accepted and with no elements of discrimination.

Clare, the leaders and centre instructor are so organised and make sure you all have such a fantastic time. I can see why your parents are so self-assured about your safety. Leaders and the activity instructors make sure everything is safe, which means you can go canoeing, climbing, abseiling and enjoy lots of other activities.

It was great to hear about dorm time. While you are all so active during the day, I am really pleased you have such an important time to chat, over a cup of well-deserved hot chocolate, about all your achievements and have quiet time with your friends. I can see how your confidence is boosted so you have more self-belief in your capabilities.

It was also good to meet the young leaders. What a great idea! The training means that young people can put back into what they have enjoyed. Another inspirational opportunity for some of you as you look forward to applying for the leadership course.

I am so pleased you have so much fun. Your sense of team work is excellent – well done for looking out for each other and making the leaders get wet at every opportunity!

I have had such a great experience and can see why you enjoy your holiday so much.

Best wishes
Elaine