



SVP Vinnies Summer Camps Holy Island





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Where will I stay?
Camp started in tents on Holy Island seventy years ago, but now we have a purpose-built centre with dormitories, electricity and even hot showers! Dorms have eight young people, and we try to keep friends together. If you're coming alone, don't worry you'll make friends quickly!

The Week:
Spending a week on Holy Island at one of our Summer Vinnies Camps is great fun. You can expect to stay 'On Camp' (our Centre's name) with about 50 young people in Yrs 5-7 from all over the North East. Each day you'll be able to take part in a range of activities, organised by our lovely volunteer helpers. You can try your hand at team games, sports such as football and cricket, Lazer Tag, arts and crafts, archery, silly sports, challenges, beach combing and paddling as well as rock pooling, competitions, treasure hunts and our World-renowned Holy Island Fun Run. Of course, there is always time to chill out and relax too!

Parents:



Christine and Sarah (our Children's Application Team) are always happy to help answer any questions from parents/carers. Please email them at:
holyislandapplications@svp.org.uk



Food:

We want you to be happy at Camp and an important part of that is food. We need energy to explore the island and make sure our meals are varied and healthy. They are all freshly cooked on site and we cater for all diets.



2025 Dates:

- Week 1 (Sat 19th July - Sat 26th July)
- Week 2 (Sat 26th July - Sat 2nd Aug)
- Week 3 (Sat 2nd Aug- Saturday 9th Aug)
- Week 5 (Sat 16th Aug - Sat 23rd Aug)
- Week 6 (Sat 23rd Aug - 30th Aug)



Meet Us:

Information Meetings for Parents/Carers are

- Saturday 29th March- 2pm
- Saturday 28th June- 2pm

**St Aloysius Church Hall,
Prince Consort Road,
Hebburn, NE31 1BE**

The Helpers:

All the staff at Camp are volunteers. They all give their time and services freely.

All adult helpers hold a current DBS-enhanced police check, have been carefully selected, undertake staff development and training on Ethos, SEN, Health and Safety and Safeguarding.

Feedback from parents makes it all worthwhile:

'Thank you to everyone involved in the organisation of their week away. It looks and sounds like you packed sooo much in! Brings back memories of when I went many years ago!

..... has been full of stories since he came back, he said he didn't miss home and he didn't want to leave and that he is going back as a volunteer in week 5, 2028

Thank you so much for giving him the opportunity to make such lovely memories and lots of new friends! Camp 2024



The Island:

Lindisfarne (Holy Island) is a small island off the coast of Northumberland. The island has many unspoilt beaches, much history and natural beauty for all Campers to enjoy. However, the island is tidal and is cut off from the mainland by water twice a day for six hours each time. There are no doctors or hospitals on the island, therefore in the event of medical emergency, a helicopter, usually based at Prestwick, would attend. Please think carefully about this information if there is a serious medical condition involved in your child's stay and contact us via

BarbaraT@svp.org.uk

Cost:

£150 donation includes transport from Tyneside, seven nights stay, all meals and activities. Payment plans and support available.