

29th April, 2025

Year 5 Residential Retreat to The Diocesan Youth Village

As your child will be in Year 5 in September, they will be lucky enough to be offered the chance to go on a two-night retreat to the Diocesan Youth Village near Consett, recognised as a 'Centre of Excellence in Youth Ministry', from 10th – 12th June, 2026. Our current Year 6 children attended this retreat in June 2024, and had a wonderful time so I can highly recommend it. Our Y5 children are also attending in June 2025.

The purpose of the retreat is to:

- Enable the children to explore and celebrate their faith in new and different ways
- Build community and to teach young people how to work together
- Enable students to build relationships with others and to grow closer to God
- Provide an environment for the children to reflect on their lives and participate in a range of activities.

The retreat is tailored to the young people and will include arts and crafts, team-building games and a range of fun activities to ensure the children have an unforgettable time.

This following promotional video gives a taste of the experience your child will have on the retreat:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEAW_UP4j-U

The retreat will cost approximately £117 per child (to be confirmed) which includes two nights' accommodation in a twin or triple en-suite room, two lunches, two evening meals, two breakfasts, transport to and from the Diocesan Youth Village and input from the Youth Ministry Team. Children will be expected to pack a range of clothing that includes outdoor wear as there will be the opportunity for outdoor activities and games. Children can bring a small amount of money for the tuck shop.

If you wish for your child to take part in the Retreat, please complete and return the slip below or email office@stpauls.bhcet.org.uk as soon as possible.

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school

Yours sincerely

S. C. Sinclair

Sheena Sinclair
Head Teacher

My child is interested in the residential visit

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My child is not interested in the residential visit

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Signed: _____ Parent/Carer of _____