



Play Away (Eshton Grange)



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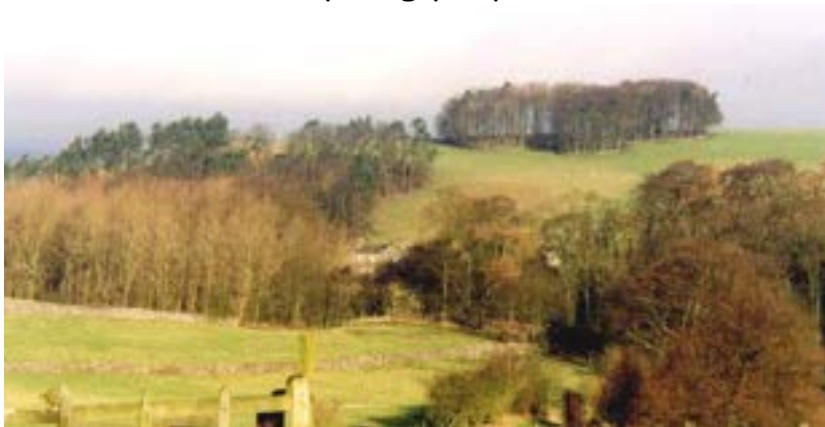
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Children's Centre

Welcome to Eshton Grange!

Based in the Yorkshire Dales National Park, the Play Away Trust has established a **safe** purpose-equipped, fully inclusive recreational & educational facility for young people.



The centre is open all year, and is a safe and secure environment for residential and day visits for schools and youth based organisations.

Being located at the gateway to the Yorkshire Dales National Park, the centre is perfectly situated for visits to the many attractions in the surrounding area.

There is a seventeen-seater minibus available for your use during residential visits. You must pre book this with us.



We may be able to provide extra transport through Liverpool Community Transport. LCT offers this service at subsidised rates to all the centre's visitors.

Further information regarding booking procedures, directions and transport and accommodation costs can be obtained from the address overleaf.



Information regarding the various attractions and outdoor pursuit providers within the National Park can be found at our web site or can be faxed, on request, prior to your stay.

All facilities on site are available free of charge, whilst certain consumable items e.g. photographic paper, are offered at cost price. The centre also provides various educational materials, pre-planned walks, compasses etc. for your convenience.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the young people who have given up their time on working weekends to help Eshton Grange become what it is today. These weekends are free. Details can be obtained from the office.



Periodically, subsidised training courses are held to provide staff from visiting groups the opportunity to gain experience and awareness of areas related to their work. Some of these courses include first aid and lifeguarding.



For schools, the surrounding area is particularly suited to environmental and geographical field studies, as well as outdoor pursuits.

The area is also rich in history. Fountains Abbey, Skipton Castle and Bolton Abbey are all within easy reach of the centre.



Malham Cove, Ingleton Falls and Whitescar Caves are some of the most spectacular examples of limestone features to be found in the country, and are also only a short distance away.

Accommodation



Built in 1756 in the Georgian style, this Grade II listed building has been extensively refurbished to accommodate groups of up to 35.



Beds are arranged into four dormitories on two floors, with 14, 12, 6 and 3 beds respectively.

All bedding and linen are provided free of charge.

Separate toilet and shower facilities are available. Also for visiting staff.

The stone barn conversion can accommodate up to 17 people and the bed layout is 5,5,4 and 3. This is ideal for the smaller groups, including staff training.



We also have a separate spacious indoor facility that can be used for dance/drama, meetings or general get togethers!

Don't forget to bring your dvds when you come to stay at play away. It's always nice to relax and watch a movie in our cinema room at the end of a busy day.



"All year round residential/recreational and educational provision"

Various animals are kept on site - why not try grooming a guinea pig? We also have Alpacas, Sheep, Chickens, Pigs & a Goat.



As well as meeting the animals, there is an opportunity to learn something too. We can provide you with educational materials and videos to compliment this facility.



Fully equipped self-catering kitchens are maintained to comply with health and safety standards.



The heated outdoor pool is a particular favourite with the kids.



The pool is open from the spring half term until late October, weather permitting - don't forget your costume!

Because of the depth of the pool, we are no longer required to have trained lifeguards at the centre. You will be instructed on its use.

CAMPING

There are also two camp fields situated within the 12 acres of Play away land.

A toilet and shower block are available 24/7 to all camp groups.





The activities centre is well equipped with art and craft materials, stage, disco + lighting, badge-maker etc. It offers a wide range of creative and educational possibilities, from performance arts to educational seminars and exhibitions, as well as mask-making, junk sculpture and anything else your imagination can create!



There are two new classrooms fitted out for use during your visit. We supply a range of classroom equipment such as OHP, dry wipe boards etc..

The sports hall has a wide range of sports equipment including 5-a-side football, short tennis, badminton, volleyball, basketball, uni-hoc, cricket and ten pin bowling.

The complex has male and female changing rooms and is accessible to young people of all abilities.



Recordable CD's are available to buy at cost price.

A digital camera is available for your use - free of charge.

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Whatever the weather, there's always something to do!