



Our centre in the Scottish Borders is set in 110 acres of remote countryside. Its wilderness location means that anyone based at Whithaugh Park will be part of the local community; living, working, worshipping and socialising together. The centre is ideally located for enjoying outdoor activities in the Lake District which is around 90 minutes away and the Highlands are reachable in around 3 hours.

# **LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

With one of the world class 7stanes mountain biking trails running right next to the centre, mountain biking is an important part of what we do. With the Lake District and Highlands within reach, there is plenty of offsite climbing to enjoy. The centre offers 28 instructed activities including fencing, paddle sports and gorge walking. There is also an indoor swimming pool, climbing and abseil tower, high ropes, sports hall and archery range.

## **LOCAL LIFE**

The neighbouring village of Newcastleton is home to around 800 and has two churches. There are a couple of shops, a café and a few pubs. The village does have some events throughout the year. You can walk to the village in around 10 minutes by crossing the bridge over the river. Carlisle is the nearest sizable town with shops and a cinema and can be reached by car or by a limited bus service in around 45 minutes.

#### **GUESTS**

Whithaugh Park welcomes children from primary and secondary schools as well as organisations such as the Boys Brigade. Every year Spree in the Borders sees over 250 young people come to enjoy this Christian Camp. Whithaugh Park has a lot of older teenagers staying from NCS (National Citizen Service) and Princes Trust. There are also family groups that stay on the centre.

## STAFF ACCOMMODATION

Instructors stay in single bedrooms in basic Scandinavian style log cabins. There is Wi-Fi available throughout the centre.

## **TEAM SIZE**

There are around 30 people that work at Whithaugh Park. Approximately half of those are instructors.

## **DISCIPLESHIP**

Trainee instructors at all centres will receive ongoing discipleship. At Whithaugh Park there is also a group devotional message held three times a week and instructors attend the church in the village which also has small groups.

