



## **Code of conduct for children at Robinwood**

### **Follow instructions given**

Many exciting activities take place at Robinwood. It is vital for everyone's safety, and for the maximum enjoyment of all the activities, that everyone listens carefully to instructions given and follows those instructions.

### **Keep yourself and everyone else safe**

Throughout your stay make sure you behave in a way that keeps yourself, and everyone else, safe. Following instructions is an important part of ensuring everyone remains safe, but you will also need to behave sensibly throughout your stay and be aware of the possible risks if you do not.

### **Challenge yourself**

Robinwood activities provide different and exciting challenges. We believe that young people attending Robinwood should generally be able to succeed at all activities offered. Please come to Robinwood ready to have a go at all the activities, to challenge yourself and achieve as much as you can. No one will be forced to do any activities that they really don't want to do, but the children who get the most from the Robinwood experience will be those who have a really good go at everything we offer and aim to achieve as much as they can.

### **Be a good team member**

Many Robinwood activities rely on good team work. A good team member will always listen to others in the group, as well as putting forward their own ideas. They will be keen to help and encourage others, whilst setting a good example by taking full part in all activities themselves.

### **Take responsibility for your own property and jobs**

All the cooking and washing up is done for you whilst staying at Robinwood, but there are still a few jobs that you will need to do. Your group leader, and other Robinwood staff, will remind you of these throughout your stay, but they include:

- i) Look after your own clothing and any other items that you bring with you, throughout your stay. It is important to check through your bag before you come to Robinwood so that you know exactly what you have brought with you, then to make sure that you don't leave items lying around at Robinwood where they might get lost.
- ii) Keep your dormitory clean and tidy. Don't leave your personal property lying around and work together with the other children to keep the room neat and tidy.

- iii) At meal times, follow the instructions of Robinwood staff, to make sure that after your meal any rubbish is put in the bin provided and tables are wiped clean.

### **Be helpful to others**

Your Robinwood trip should be exciting, challenging and great fun for all. Robinwood is always much more enjoyable, when the children taking part are helpful to others. There are many ways throughout your three days at Robinwood that you can be helpful to others. These include:

- i) Offering encouragement and support to someone who may be a bit unsure about climbing to the top of the climbing wall or taking part in some other Robinwood activity.
- ii) Listening carefully to other people's ideas and encouraging them, as well as putting forward your own ideas, for example in the piranha pool and during other activity sessions.
- iii) Helping your group complete all the jobs that need to be done during your time at Robinwood.

Throughout your stay your group leader will be looking to see who the most helpful members of the activity group are.

### **Respect other people's privacy and property**

You should respect the property of Robinwood Activity Centre, including the buildings, the equipment and the grounds. Also respect other people's property, including all the items they bring with them to Robinwood. This means that you should never enter anyone else's dormitory or look in anyone else's bag at Robinwood. In your own dormitory, you should not go onto anyone else's bed.

### **Be a good ambassador for your school**

Remember when you come to Robinwood you will be a representative or ambassador for your school. It is likely that there will be other schools attending at the same time as you. It is important that, through your conduct throughout your 3 days at Robinwood, you create a good impression of yourself and your school. It is important that you respect the rights, dignity and worth of all children attending Robinwood regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity. Good behaviour is not only important during the day, it is also important at bedtime and overnight when you will need to get a good nights sleep.