

Barnstondale Venture Weekend



By Tom

What I felt about the weekend

I felt like I really enjoyed the weekend at Barnstondale I especially liked making new friends.

My top 3 parts about the weekend at Barnstondale.

1. My favourite activity was archery.
2. I especially liked the abseiling.
3. I also enjoyed the water fight.

What I learnt during my time away?

At Barnstondale we were trying to be detectives and solve the case of the empty tomb. We found out that Jesus had died and had rose from the dead on the 3rd day. We were trying to discover how Jesus had rose from the dead. We thought that God had sent down Angels to message 2 of Jesus' followers to tell them that Jesus is going to rise after being crucified to take away our sins.



School Venture Weekend

On my first School Venture Trip I had lots of fun. I especially liked the water games where our team won. Mixing with other schools gave me the chance to make new friends which I really liked to. I also enjoyed the climbing and abseiling. It was scary at first but I did it which made me feel proud of myself. Whilst I was there I learnt about Jesus' life and his friends. I found it interesting that Luke (Jesus' disciple) was a doctor, historian and interviewed eye-witnesses after Jesus' death. Without Luke some valuable information may never have been recorded, which is why Luke plays such an important role in the Bible.

By Ava

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Friday 22nd April - Sunday 24th April 2016

By **Jasmine**

What I felt about my time away

Whilst I was away I felt very happy, I was also excited about the activities we were going to be doing and I made lots of new friends.

My top 3 parts of the weekend

- 1 - Water games.
- 2 - Abseiling/Climbing
- 3 - Archery

What I learnt during my time away

Whilst I was away I learnt about what the tomb was like and looked at the evidence to explain why Jesus rose from the dead and how he it happened.

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By **Matthew**

What I felt about my time away

When I was away I felt really excited waiting to hear what our group would be doing for a certain amount of time. I also felt very special that I was one of the people to represent St. Peter's on the first Venture. It was for three days.

My top 3 parts of the weekend

- 1 - Making new friends.
- 2 - Water sports
- 3 - Archery

What I learnt during my time away

When I was away I learnt that team work is very crucial in everything that you take on in your lifetime.

Not only that but you have something's in common with the people and something's that are different and that can be a good thing.

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By **Lulu**

What I felt about my time away

I felt very happy when I was away. I had lots of fun making new friends from different schools. I made a really good friend called Jasmine. I liked the meals they made especially the burger and chips. My dorm leaders were Kerry and Mrs Shahi they were nice. We read a book on Luke one of Jesus followers. It was amazing.

My top 3 parts of the weekend

1 - Abseiling/Climbing

2 - Water games.

3 - Archery

What I learnt during my time away

When I was away I learnt more about Jesus and we were detectives and we were trying to discover the case of the empty tomb. Some people thought that Jesus had been stolen by someone, he had gone to heaven, or he had risen from the dead. No one has ever found his body in over 2000 years so he must have risen.

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By **James**

What I felt about my time away

I felt excited about the trip to Barnstondale. We did lots of activities and had lots of fun. I shared a room with boys that I had never met before and made friends with them. I read the Bible and thought about Jesus rising from the tomb.

My top 3 parts of the weekend

- 1 - Abseiling
- 2 - Water games
- 3 - Find the leader hunt

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By **Mrs Clayton**

What I felt about my time away

I really enjoyed my time away at Venture and felt privileged to be able to spend time with amazing children from our school and three other Wirral schools. It was lovely to watch the pupils (and leaders) developing firm friendships and working together harmoniously. Even though each of our four schools are very different places we quickly realised we had so much in common and we could have a lot of fun together. The days were filled with activities, sport, craft, eating, playing and learning about God.

My top 3 parts of the weekend

- 1 - Making new friends and spending time with the young people.
- 2 - The water games and water fight—I got soaked, but it was great fun.
- 3 - The walk in the woods and wide game where we had to work as a team to collect coins from the robber!

What I learnt during my time away

We spent sessions together looking at Luke's gospel in the Bible, investigating 'The case of the missing body!' It was great to study the passages in detail and look for all the evidence that proved Jesus died and rose again. The children had time to discuss all of the evidence, ask questions and come to their own conclusions about what happened at this time.