

Dear Parents and carers,

This summer at the Castleshaw Centre, Oldham Council are running a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Summer Holiday club for children (aged 9-12) that live in Oldham and are in receipt of free school meals. This programme is fully funded and includes adventurous activities, lunch and drinks all delivered by qualified staff.

Activities include:

- Kayaking
- Artificial caving, orienteering and soft archery
- Bushcraft (Fire making and Shelter Building)
- Canoeing
- Ghyll Scrambling

Transport

Pick up is at 9.15am and drop off at 2.30pm, except on a Ghyll scramble session when the drop off will be 3.30pm. Please arrive before the agreed pick up/drop off time. On Ghyll scramble sessions some flexibility for drop off is needed due to the nature of the activity. Castleshaw staff or pupils will communicate with parents/carers if drop off is going to be later than anticipated.

You will need to arrange transport/travel for your child to and from Willowpark Primary Academy, Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4LJ. What Three Words location [///buzz.waving.recall](#)

Booking

If you are interested in this opportunity for your child/children, please book online by visiting eequ.org and searching for 'Castleshaw' using the *Search Activities* button on the home page.

You may book as many sessions as you like, up to a maximum of **16 sessions across all Oldham HAF provision**.

To ensure everyone has a fair opportunity to attend, please note that if you book **more than two of the same session**, your additional bookings will be placed on a waiting list to allow others a chance to participate.

Direct link: <https://eequ.org/book/summer-haf-at-the-castleshaw-centre-2026-with-castleshaw-centre-30427>

Please note that these sessions are limited and booking is live so spaces may run out. Booking is on a first come first served basis through the online booking system Eequ.

Kind regards,

Joseph Myhill

Outdoor and Environmental Education Service Manager for Oldham Council

Castleshaw Centre

Holiday Club with a difference...



Come and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of the Castleshaw Valley whilst taking part in some exciting outdoor activities. Our activities will give young people the opportunity to have fun and socialise while learning new skills and challenging themselves with new and adventurous activities.

Dates and times

20 – 24 July 2026 09:15 – 14:30

3 – 7 August 2026 09:15 – 14:30

10 – 14 August 2026 09:15 – 14:30

24 – 27 August 2026 09:15 – 14:30

Activities

- Canoeing on Castleshaw Reservoir/Huddersfield Canal or Paddleboarding on Redbrook Reservoir
- Bushcraft (fire making and shelter Building) at the Castleshaw Centre
- Artificial caving, orienteering and soft archery in the Castleshaw Valley
- Ghyll Scrambling in Chew Valley (scrambling up a steep rocky stream close to Dovestone Reservoir)
- Kayaking on the Castleshaw Reservoir or Huddersfield Narrow Canal

Activities for young people aged 9 – 12 years old

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