

At Summer Camp in Cairngorms Christian Centre we made lots of new friends, went on fun trips around Aviemore and talked about interesting topics such as; Gender Equality, the Story of Anne Frank and the amazing work of Malala Yousafzai. We were all given a free t-shirt and a massive black notebook for us to write whatever we wanted inside! Most of us stuck in photos of our experiences at the centre and drew pictures in our spare time. Not that we had a lot of it, most of our time was spent doing activities and going out for trips in the minivan. We took a short, lochside walk and jumped into the water at the beach. Cara and I buried our friend Holly up to her waist in the sand before having an ice cream and splashing everyone in the loch.

Each of us was put into a clan, which was our group for the week, and we would take part in activities and discussions, with our trustworthy clan leaders to help us. We all helped each other, especially in our team-building activities. We worked together to complete puzzles, guide a blindfolded person to a hoop and we all looked out for each other in general. In doing so we became a friendly and close-knit family, and I have made some great friends that I will never forget.

Every day we had 3 delicious meals, prepared by our amazing cook, Jean! At the end of each day, we sat in a circle and played some games, chatted, drank hot chocolate and learned songs.

On the last night we had a disco, and we all dressed up, danced like crazy, ate snacks and played games. It was an awesome night, but quite sad too because our Summer Camp experience was coming to a close.

I had such a great time at Cairngorms Christian Centre, and I will definitely be getting in touch to see if I can go back again next year.

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