



What to Expect & FAQs for parents/families



We're looking forward to starting a children's session during the morning service from 18th April 2021.

Here's some information you may find useful.

If you have any further questions or feedback - do contact Nicola

Who is the Treehouse session for?

Primary school age children (4-11s: school years Reception - yr 6)

When will it be?

Treehouse runs during the 10.30am service. Children stay with parents for the first part of the service (approx 20 minutes) before heading to their own special session. Children will walk with team through to the main reception area where leaders will take them upstairs to one of our two Treehouse rooms (approx 30 minute session). We will bring your child to you in the main hall at the end of the service.

Can children stay in the service instead?

Yes of course! Children are welcome to stay with parents in the service if you prefer.

What will we do in Treehouse?

Each Sunday we'll unpack a brilliant Bible passage - through stories, games, craft, music & lots of fun!

How will we run it? (Covid secure guidelines)

We will run 2 Treehouse sessions at the same time - we have space for 30 children in total (plus the leaders/helpers), in 2 groups of up to 15 children.

At present both groups are for ages 4-11 years so that siblings can stay together (helps with distancing).

Each child or sibling group will get their own chair/table or cushion/clipboard (depending on which room they are in), which will be spaced apart.

The fun upfront programme will all be things children can join in with from their zone. Both rooms are spacious and airy.

Hygiene & cleaning

Furniture and surfaces will be cleaned before the session.

Children will have their own set of resources (pens etc) which will only be used once that morning.

Children & team will use hand gel on way into room, and again at the end.

Following the groundrules

Children will be expected to be able to follow the simple groundrules, for example staying at their place and doing what is asked of them by leaders.

The children are great at this, but if a child is unwilling or unable to follow groundrules, a parent will be fetched.

Ways parents can help ahead

- Let the children know we are all looking forward to seeing them for Treehouse!
- Talk about the need to give others SPACE (social distancing), sticking with your Treehouse PLACE (you will get your own place to sit) and to be ACE at doing what the leaders ask them!
- Older siblings can be encouraged to help younger ones where possible.
- Please encourage your child to visit the toilet BEFORE the church service.
- It is a help if siblings can sit together. However if this is a dynamic that won't work for your children, that's fine! (mention it to Nic)

How can I book a place?

You will need to book a place for your child ahead.

Visit <http://trinityscarborough.org.uk/booking>

Select the '**Service + Treehouse**' ticket (one for EACH child).

Due to current guidelines, there are 30 Treehouse spaces for children which will be on a **first to book basis each week**.

If you have a younger child age 0-4 years (babies to pre-school year) book a general service ticket and tick the box to indicate the place is for a younger child. There is a lovely room with toys and service livestream available to parents & 0-4s you can make use of if you like.

Thanks for reading!

Please feel free to be in touch with Nicola if there is any other information you would like or details about your child it would be useful to know as we look forward to Treehouse at the Street!

Yours in Christ

Nicola & the Treehouse team

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