



leadership youth events

2023



Please read this information pack for full details of the Leadership Youth Events before making your booking. **Event 1 and 2 are designed for Guides and Scouts aged 8-18. Event 3 is designed for Guides and Scouts aged 15-24.**

When you have decided which event you would like to book you can send a booking enquiry [here](#).

If, after reading the information packs, you have questions about any of the events, please e-mail info@ourchalet.waggs.org.

The table below gives a brief comparison of the three events to help you decide which events may be suitable for your group. It is important that you read the information pack for your chosen event carefully BEFORE you make a booking.

Dates and prices for 2023:

Leadership Youth Event 1 – 2nd to 8th April

Leadership Youth Event 2 – 9th to 15th April

Leadership Youth Event 3 – 16th to 22nd April (for ages 15-25)

Event Option	Leaders and youth age 18	Youth age 8-17
Event 1 + 2	CHF 609	CHF 582

Event Option	Leaders and youth age 18-24	Youth age 15-17
Event 3	CHF 609	CHF 582

Important note on leader prices: The price above is for 2 leaders (age 18+) per 8 youth participants (age 8-18 on Events 1 & 2 and age 15-24 on Events 3). Additional leaders who are over the age of 24 and wish to take part in the Geneva programme day will need to pay a supplement of approximately CHF 160. This is due to the terms and conditions of the discounted youth group train ticket we use for this programme, which operates a strict ratio of over-24s permitted to travel with the group at the discounted price.



PROGRAMME



The next few pages give an overview of the programme activities included in this event, if you are unsure if any activity is suitable for your group, please contact programme@ourchalet.waggggs.org before making your booking.

NOTE: All programme activities are subject to change depending on availability of suppliers & weather conditions. Activities may not take place in the order listed here.

Important information about programme:

- Event 1+2 are open to Guides and Scouts aged 8-18 & Event 3 is open to Guides and Scouts aged 15-24. All participants must be socially and emotionally capable of taking part in an active week with peers of the relevant age group.
- Leaders must accompany their youth participants under age 18 on all programme activities and are responsible for first aid for their group at all times. Youth participants age 18+ do not need to be accompanied by a leader but are responsible for their own first aid.
- It is the responsibility of the group to check that activities meet their Member Organisation's rules and are covered by their travel insurance.
- The transport options listed in the 'adaptations' are only available for participants with a permanent disability or medical condition that affects their mobility. In all other cases groups are responsible for any costs associated with additional transport for their participants, e.g. taxis in lieu of walking.

Additional information for the Leadership Youth Events

All three events are themed around the WAGGGS Leadership Mindsets. Events 1 & 2 additionally include the Stop the Violence badge programme and Event 3 includes the YUNGA Disaster Preparation badge programme.

Stop the Violence will be delivered at an age-appropriate level and participants will be split into age groups for this part of the programme. All other activities are mixed-age.

A note on participants aged 8-10

Events 1 & 2 are open to Guides and Scouts aged 8-18, however, we encourage Leaders to think carefully about the readiness of their younger members for this event. Programme days are long and busy and most activities take place as a mixed-age group with participants across the 8-18 age range. Please contact us if you have any questions about the suitability of this programme for your younger groups members.





Explore the worldly mindset by taking part in Swiss and international themed activities while getting to know the Our Chalet site. From language to stories to music and games, there's plenty to learn and a few opportunities to get competitive!

This day is guided by Our Chalet staff.

Practical information:

Activities take place at Our Chalet and can be adapted for a range of abilities. Some activities take place outdoors and the weather can be cold (including snow) in April.





Discover the gender equality mindset with a day trip by train to Geneva

We'll take a tour of the Palais des Nations and learn about the United Nations and the UN's work in Geneva. Tour guides will explain the organization and its activities to maintain world peace, foster international relations and development. We'll also take a guided tour of the Red Cross Museum and learn about Red Cross and Red Crescent work in the past and today.

Of course, there will also be time to explore Geneva and visit the shores of its famous lake.

This day is guided by Our Chalet staff, tours are led by UN and Red Cross staff. This day is wheelchair accessible.

Practical information:

This is a long programme day with an early start time and late return time. A restaurant lunch and packed dinner are provided on this day and there is no evening programme.

For the Red Cross Museum tour participants may be split into age-specific groups to ensure topics covered on the tour are suitable for all participants.

Important: We are able to offer this programme day thanks to a reduced price youth group ticket from the Swiss Federal Railways. This ticket has strict ratios of adults permitted at the discounted price. Groups with more than two adult leaders per eight youth will need to pay a supplement of approximately CHF 160 per extra leader they wish to bring on this programme day. This cost is the price of a non-discounted train ticket.





Today is all about the creative and critical thinking mindset with a series of problem solving activities onsite at Our Chalet. Test your teamwork skills and get competitive to find the solutions!

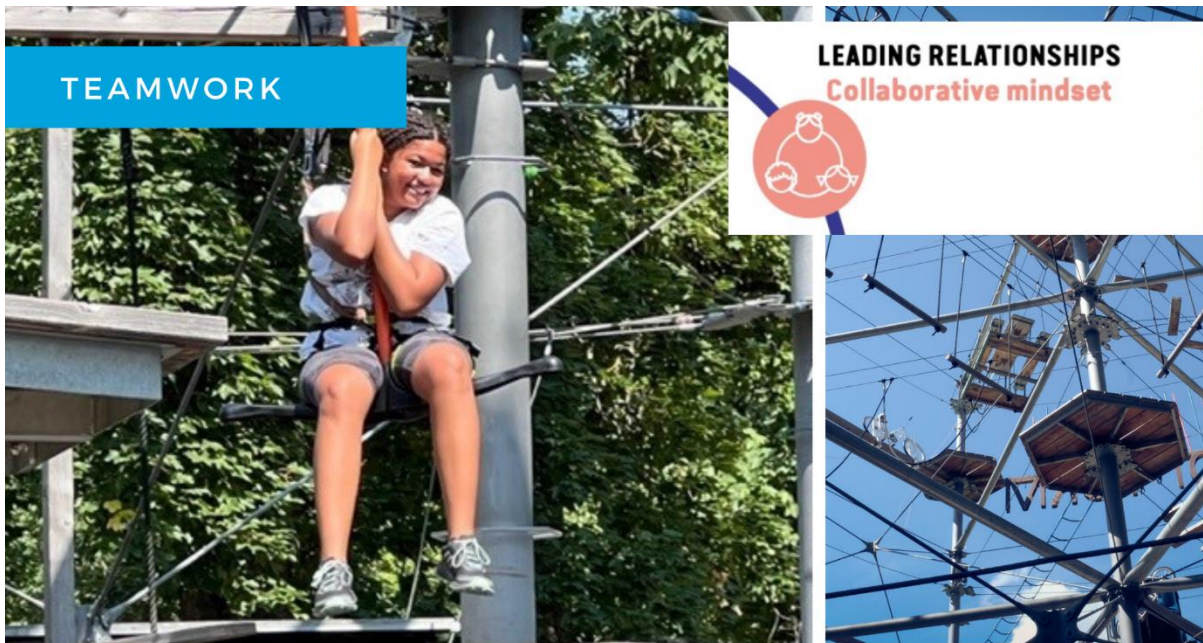
Event 3: In Event 3 this day is replaced by a day of onsite YUNGA Disaster Preparation badge work.

This day is guided by Our Chalet staff.

Practical information:

Activities take place at Our Chalet and can be adapted for a range of abilities. Some activities take place outdoors and the weather can be cold (including snow) in April.





COLLABORATIVE MINDSET CLIMBING TOWER

Cross one of Europe's longest pedestrian suspension bridges (153 metres long and 38 metres high!) before following the river to Frutigen. The riverside trail has many woodcarved creatures waiting to greet you along the way.

Once we reach Frutigen, there's time for picnic lunch before you take on the climbing tower. With three levels and 64 different stations, the climbing tower offers a challenge for everyone and we will add challenges for your collaborative mindset by setting you tasks to achieve together as a team.

At the end of the day we return to Adelboden Oey by bus and walk back up the hill to Our Chalet. This day is guided by Our Chalet staff. Climbing Tower is supervised by trained staff.

Practical information:

Walking: 1 km downhill (20 mins) + 4.5km mostly flat (1¼ hour) + 1.2km steep uphill (30 mins)

Special considerations: The riverside trail is a gravel path and uneven in places. The bridge is high and sways and is therefore unsuitable for those with a severe phobia of heights.

Adaptation: For participants with physical disabilities transport, including wheelchair-accessible transport, can be arranged. The public bus from Frutigen to Adelboden is wheelchair accessible. The bridge is suitable for crossing for users of smaller manual wheelchairs. Those who use crutches or walking sticks may need assistance to cross. The Climbing Tower involves stairs to access each level.

Weather: After heavy snow the riverside trail is closed. In this case we will offer an alternative activity for this part of the day.





Get to grips with the responsible action mindset and earn a badge at the same time. In Events 1 & 2 we offer the Stop the Violence badge and in Event 3 the YUNGA Disaster Preparation badge.

This day takes place on site at Our Chalet and is facilitated by Our Chalet staff.

Practical information:

Activities take place at Our Chalet and can be adapted for a range of abilities. Some activities take place outdoors and the weather can be cold (including snow) in April.

For Stop the Violence in Events 1 & 2 participants will be split into age-specific groups and cover the badge curriculum tailored to their age group.






Pinning Ceremony, Tour, & Evening Programmes

As well as the programmes listed above, we will welcome you to Our Chalet with an opening ceremony for your event. Everyone taking part in the opening ceremony will receive a special Our Chalet pin only available to those who have visited the Centre. The ceremony is followed by a guided tour to help you learn your way around.

Throughout the week, we also run four evening programmes, one on each day when there is day programme (except Geneva day). Each of these lasts approximately 1.5 hours and give participants more opportunities to learn new skills and develop friendships.



ACCOMMODATION



Important information about accommodation:

- Our Chalet is open to Guides and Scouts of all genders. We are not able to guarantee single-gender hallways or buildings.
- Rooms/tents are allocated by Our Chalet and it is up to group leaders to allocate their participants to each room/tent.
- Rooms/tents are not shared between groups, unless multiple groups request to share with each other.
- Bed linen and towels are provided for indoor accommodation. Sleeping bags are not permitted in indoor accommodation.
- For fire safety reasons it is not possible to add extra beds or mattresses to any of our rooms.
- No vehicles or camper vans are permitted on our campsite.
- **For Leadership Youth Events only indoor catered accommodation is available,** this is due to the time of year as our campsite and outbuildings are closed over winter until early May.





The event package includes six nights of accommodation, meals from dinner on arrival day to packed lunch on departure day, luggage transfers, and all event programme activities.

Our indoor accommodation is offered across two buildings:

Main Chalet opened in 1932 and offers dorm rooms, triple rooms, twin rooms and a single room. The largest dorm room can sleep up to 14 participants. None of the rooms in Main Chalet have bunk beds.

Spycher House opened in 1999 and offers one dorm room (sleeping up to eight participants), quad rooms, twin rooms and two single rooms. Some rooms in Spycher House have bunk beds.

Rooms will be assigned to your group by our Guest Services staff based on your needs. To maximise availability, groups may be split across both buildings. Our staff always ensure at least one leader is in the same building as participants from their group.

Participants from different groups do not usually share rooms (unless by request). However, different groups will share the same common facilities such as bathrooms and hallways. Our Chalet is open to Scouts and Guides of all genders.

For details of wheelchair accessibility in our indoor accommodation please e-mail info@ourchalet.waggs.org. As a broad overview, accommodation suitable for manual wheelchair users is available in Spycher House. Users of powered wheelchairs or mobility scooters who can transfer to a manual chair without the use of a hoist can also access this accommodation.





All meals from dinner on arrival day to packed lunch on departure day are included in the cost and provided by Our Chalet. The kitchen at Our Chalet is operated by the Kitchen Manager and a team of volunteer staff. We do our best to accommodate dietary requirements, however, if your group has a participant with a severe allergy or complex dietary requirement we recommend you discuss your needs prior to booking.

Breakfast

A cold breakfast of cereals, yoghurt, bread, cheese, and fruit is available every morning in a self-service buffet style. Hot and cold drinks are also included.

Packed lunch

Participants make a packed lunch (sandwiches, fruit, snacks, etc.) each morning to take with them on programme. All participants are required to bring a lunch box or bag to carry their lunch.

Dinner

Dinner is served at one sitting and offers one option for everyone. Typical dinners include Swiss dishes such as rösti and camp favourites like chilli or pasta. Dinners always include salad or vegetables and consist of two courses with a main meal and dessert.

Special diet meals, including vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free are available only to participants who have notified us in advance of their need for a special meal. Your pre-arrival paperwork will ask you to specify dietary requirements for each participant in your group.



We look forward to welcoming you to Our Chalet in 2023!



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