



WORLD CENTRES VIRTUAL PROGRAMME 2021

SESSION GUIDE

Join us from the 1st February on a virtual adventure across the globe as we explore our amazing World Centres and give you the opportunity to connect with Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from across the Movement.

This is a guide to all the exciting sessions we have on offer over 2021.

Registration for the first two months of the programme opens on the 18th January. [Click here](#) to register for events.

All participants under 16 need to be accompanied by an adult to join the session.



GLOBAL ADVENTURES

Are you dreaming about travelling to the World Centres but have found yourself stuck at home? You can now travel virtually to all the five World Centres! Race across Europe completing mini challenges; travel through London while learning about our founders and those who have shaped Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting throughout time; learn what's needed to take part in an international World Centre adventure and hear first-hand the amazing experiences of Girl Guides/Girl Scouts who have been there before!

International Adventure: Volunteering at a World Centre

Ever thought about volunteering at a World Centre? Volunteering at a World Centre is an amazing and life-changing experience, but it can seem like a big reach. Join this session to turn your thoughts into reality and learn more about skills you need to become a great World Centre Volunteer! We will teach you how to write a good application and how best to raise money for your trip. You will also hear first-hand from previous volunteers about their amazing experiences and their top tips. You are sure to leave this session ready to join our World Centre volunteer teams!

Session length: 90 -120 mins

Age: 16+

International Adventure: Travelling to a World Centre

Make your dream of travelling to a WAGGGS World Centre come true virtually! Join us for a fun session of interactive puzzles and challenges that you need to complete to work your way virtually towards a World Centre. As you complete each activity, you will learn what it takes to get to a World Centre! We can't promise you won't get lost but at least you will only be virtually lost!

Session length: 60-90mins

Age: 13+

Explore London with Pax Lodge

Ever wondered where Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting began? Why not join us for an exciting virtual tour of some of the places across London which are significance to the Baden-Powell family and Juliette Gordon Low. With wonderful tour guides from Pax Lodge, you will leave this virtual tour full of knowledge about where our Movement began.

Session length: 60 mins

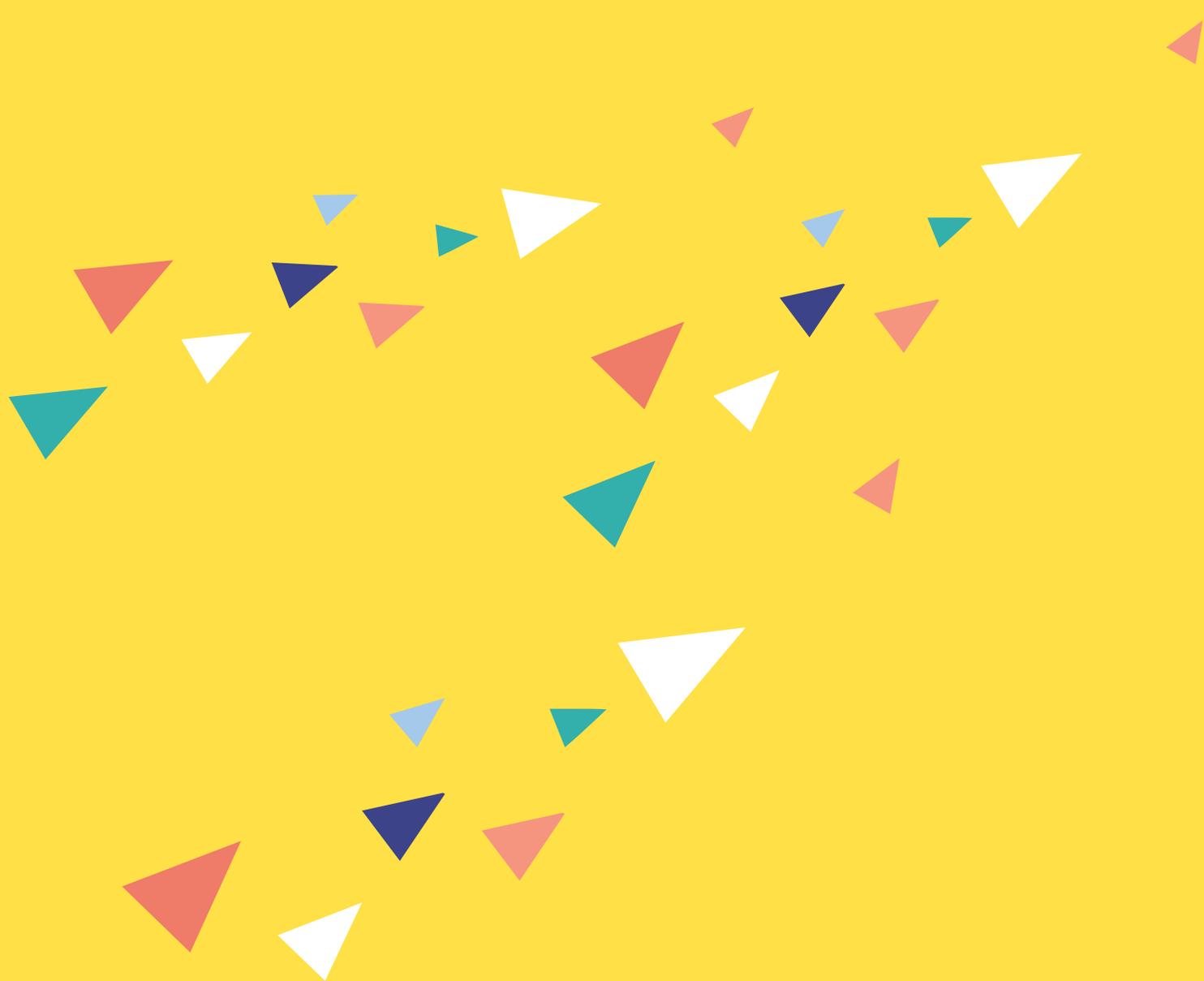
Age: Adults

Goose Game with Our Chalet

As you race across Europe, you and your team will stop at Guide/Scout Centres to complete short interactive activities and challenges that will teach you all about the network of centres you can visit across Europe. After the game enjoy an Our Chalet World Centre video tour and a question-and-answer session with your virtual tour guide.

Session length: 60-90mins

Age: 10+





CULTURAL DISCOVERIES

Do you love meeting people from around the world and learning more about their cultures? If you do, come and join us as we explore different cultural celebrations and skills from the countries our World Centres are lucky enough to be located in. Take a virtual trip through the Swiss Alps; move virtually around the Africa Region; celebrate the Festival of Light with Sangam and the Queen's Birthday with Pax Lodge. Or maybe you fancy trying a new hobby in 2021; we have everything from dancing to cooking and much more to keep you busy.

Indian Cooking with Sangam

Join the amazing Sangam team in the kitchen for a 2-hour introduction to Indian cooking. Let your taste buds wander as the Sangam staff explore different spices and give practical demonstrations that will help you whip up a delicious storm in your own home!

Session length: 120 mins

Age: 16+

Beginners Bollywood Dancing with Sangam

Join our Sangam Bollywood stars to learn dance moves that will get you ready for a Bollywood movie! Try out the popular Indian dance styles in this fun and energetic Bollywood session. This 1-hour session in Sangam's Tata Ratan Hall will cover some simple routines and moves from different styles including belly dancing, Kathak, Indian folk and western popular. Get your arms & hips ready for some funky dance moves with Uzma and a secret Bollywood extraordinaire.

Session length: 60 mins

Age: All ages

Jambo Kusafiri

What is Kusafiri? We hear you say! Virtually travel around the Africa Region with our wonderful fifth World Centre!

If you have ever wondered what Kusafiri is? Or how you can be involved? And what makes this Centre unique to our World Centre Family? Then make sure to join us for a jam-packed session full of fun, energy, drums, dance, food and much more! We can't wait to share this incredibly special World Centre and some of the traditions of the Africa Region with you all.

Session length: TBC

Age: TBC

Yoga with Sangam

Join us for a relaxing yoga session taught by our experienced yoga instructor, Kirti, in the Wellness Shala at Sangam. These sessions are designed specifically with your health and wellbeing in mind. Take some time to reflect, move, learn and grow all in a supportive environment.

Session length: 60min

Age: All ages

Holi Festival with Sangam

Come and celebrate Holi Festival, the Festival of Love (and colour), in Sangam!

Holi is considered one of the most revered and celebrated festivals of India, celebrated in almost every part of the country. It is also sometimes called the 'Festival of Love' as people unite together in forgetting resentment and bad feeling towards each other. The ritual starts by lighting up the bonfire one day before the day of Holi, symbolizing the triumph of good over bad. Join us for a fun and interactive session as we explore this wonderful festival.

Session length: 60 mins

Age: All ages

Willkommen to Switzerland!

Welcome to Switzerland! Join us as we take a virtual trip to Our Chalet, the WAGGGS World Centre located in the Swiss Alps! In a fun session of interactive cultural activities, you will gain a better understanding and appreciation for Switzerland, its traditions, people and landscape.

Session length: 60-90min

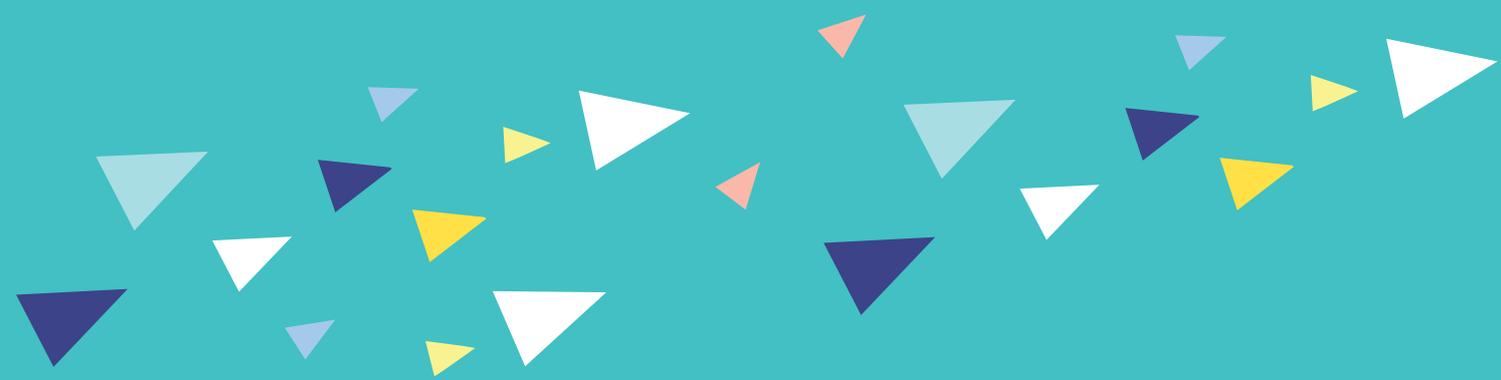
Age: 11+

Patron Saints of the United Kingdom

Join us for an exciting session where you will learn all about the background and traditions of the Patron Saints of Great Britain and Ireland! There are four saints who represent unified Great Britain, each standing for one of the four different areas of the country. Each Saint comes with its own story and unique history that is, of course, indicative of the area they originate from. Let us take you on a journey to discover each one and his importance to each land in Great Britain and Ireland.

Session length: 60min

Age: 7-14 years



Ganesh Festival with Sangam

Celebrate Ganesh Festival in Sangam with festive delicacies while learning about the Hindi God: Ganesh!

Ganesh Festival is an auspicious Hindu festival celebrated for 10 days every year marking the birthday of the beloved elephant-headed Lord Ganesha. Ganesha is known as the God of Wealth, Sciences, Knowledge, Wisdom and Prosperity, and is sought for blessings before starting any important work. Join the team as they bring the festival to life for you and share its traditions and significance to the Indian culture in a sensational one-hour session, full of fun and games for everyone.

Session length: 60min

Age: All ages

May Day Celebrations with Pax Lodge

Ready for another celebration? Join us for May Day celebrations in the United Kingdom! Bring your flower garlands and bells to celebrate the coming of Summer with lots of different customs that are expressions of joy and hope after a long winter. We will explore how May Day is celebrated in the United Kingdom and the interesting traditions surrounding it.

Session length: 60min

Age: 7-14 years

Queen of United Kingdom's Birthday Celebration with Pax Lodge

Celebrate the official birthday of Queen Elizabeth II in style with Pax Lodge!

Did you know that the Queen of England has two birthdays? We also wish we could have two birthdays as well! Find out why and more fun facts about the British Monarch. In true United Kingdom Style join us for High Tea as we watch the Trooping the Colour and the Royal Air Force fly by (COVID-19 dependent) and send good wishes to the Queen of England.

Session length: 60min

Age: Adults

Warli Art with Sangam

Join Punchi, a well-known Warli artist in Pune, for a practical introductory Warli Art lesson.

Warli paintings are believed to be one of the oldest forms of art in history. This tribal art owes its origin to the state of Maharashtra, India where Sangam is located. They use basic geometric shapes for depicting usual symbols of life and the world around them. Take part in this session to learn this beautiful art along with its culture. The session will be led by Sangam's resident experienced artist Punchi. All participants under the age of 16 will need an adult to register and attend this session with them.

Session length: 120min

Age: 7-14 years



Diwali Festival with Sangam

Light up your day by joining Sangam in celebrating Diwali Festival, the Festival of Lights!

Join the Sangam Team as they celebrate Diwali, the Festival of lights, where the streets are illuminated with rows of clay lamps and homes are decorated with colours and candles. This festival is celebrated with new clothes, spectacular firecrackers and a variety of sweets in the company of family and friends. Learn more about this origins and traditions surround this exciting festival.

Session length: 60min

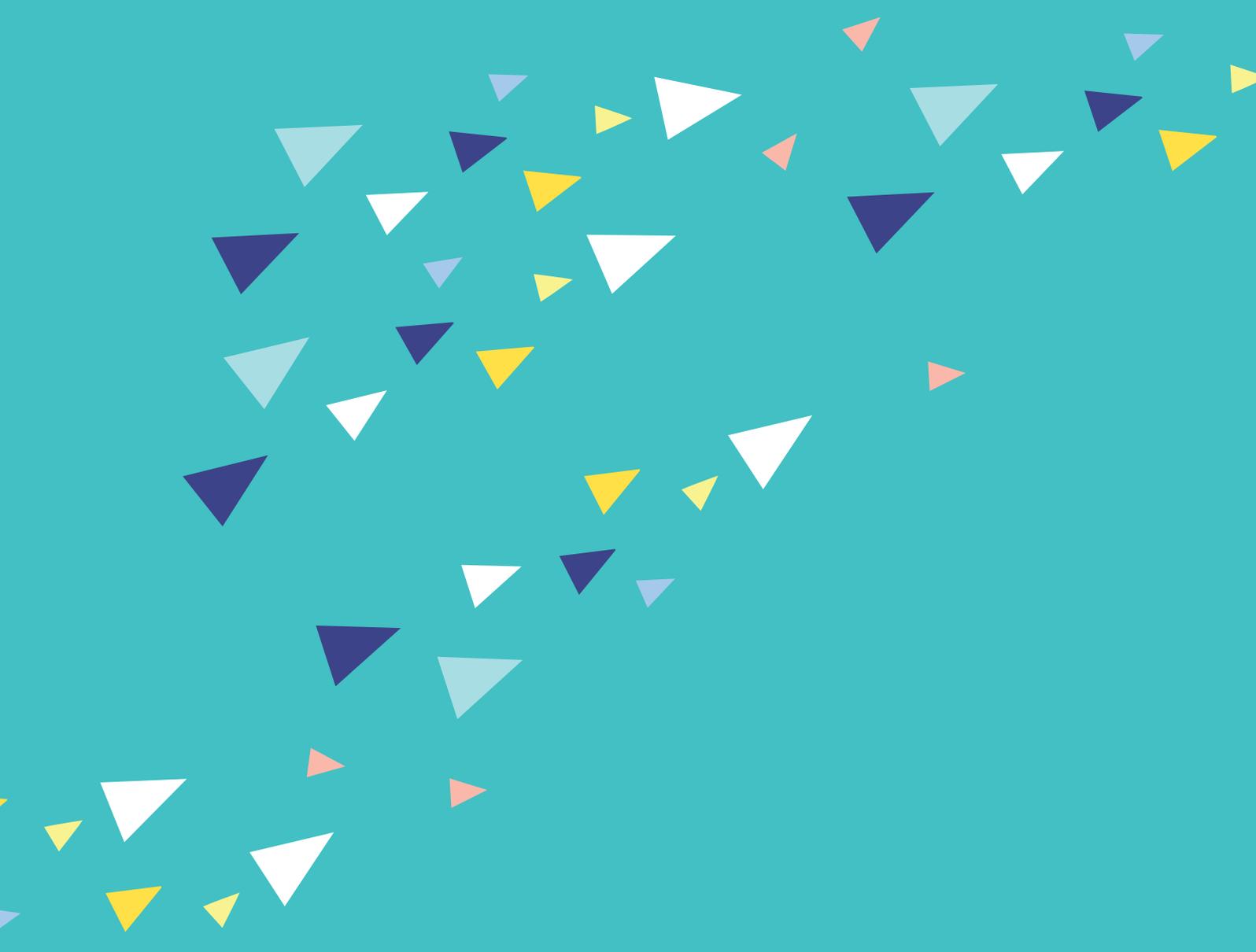
Age: All ages

Bonfire Night with Pax Lodge

Love a good conspiracy theory, and a bonfire? Then this is the session for you! Bring your own bonfire and participate in our Bonfire Night quiz. Celebrate the anniversary of a discovered conspiracy set up by catholic conspirators to explode the Houses of Parliament in London in 1605.

Session length: 60min

Age: 7-14 years





WORLD CENTRE EXPLORATIONS

Ever wondered what happens during an event at our five World Centres? What activities you might experience during your stay? Or what our World Centres look like and how they celebrate their Birthdays? Come and join a virtual tour, an information session, or try some of our activities virtually, and learn about what makes our World Centres so special to our Movement. These sessions are the perfect chance to meet members of the Team and ask the questions you have always wanted to ask!



Look Back at Our Chalet History

Hear stories and learn about the rich history of WAGGGS' oldest World Centre - Our Chalet! Support Our Chalet by attending this fundraising event where we will share stories, pictures and important historical archives visually to take you on a journey back in time. For those who have visited Our Chalet this will be an opportunity to learn more about this special location and for those who have not it will get you that much closer.

Session length: 60-90min

Age: Adult

Pax Lodge 30th Birthday

Join us as we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the opening of Pax Lodge! We will be hosting a variety of activities spread across the weekend, all organised by the wonderful Friends of Pax Lodge! Share a cup of tea and a slice of birthday cake as we virtually celebrate 30 years of Pax Lodge as you (virtually) see it today!

Session length: 60min

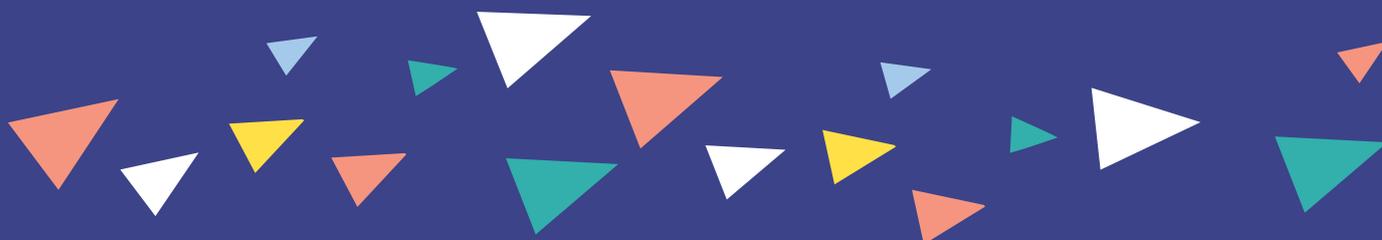
Age: All ages

Our Chalet 89th Birthday

Join us as we celebrate the 89th Birthday of Our Chalet! Celebrate another year around the sun with our oldest WAGGGS World Centre - Our Chalet. With activities and virtual fun, this could be the Birthday party of the year! Come along and see what Our Chalet means to Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world, don't forget your party hats!

Session length: TBC

Age: TBC



Pax Lodge Experience

Have you always wanted to visit Pax Lodge? Then why not join us as we give an exciting introduction to Pax Lodge! We will take you on a virtual tour, where we will explore all the nooks and crannies of this World Centre, you never know when you might find a secret room! This is followed by a question-and-answer session and an interactive activity giving you a taste of what it would be like to be at the centre.

Session length: 60mins

Age: All ages

Explore Our Chalet

Have you always wanted to visit Our Chalet World Centre in Adelboden Switzerland? Now you have the opportunity to complete virtual mini versions of the activities offered during a typical day onsite at Our Chalet. These will be interactive, great fun and give you a taste of the things you can do when you visit Our Chalet in the future!

Session length: 60-90mins

Age: 11+

Look Back at Pax Lodge History

Delve into the archives and learn about the history of Pax Lodge and its predecessors! You know when Pax Lodge opened - but did you know it was not the first London World Centre? Throughout this 1.5-hour session come and hear more about the history of Pax Lodge, its predecessors and the people involved in creating the Pax Lodge we see today.

Session length: 90min

Age: Adult

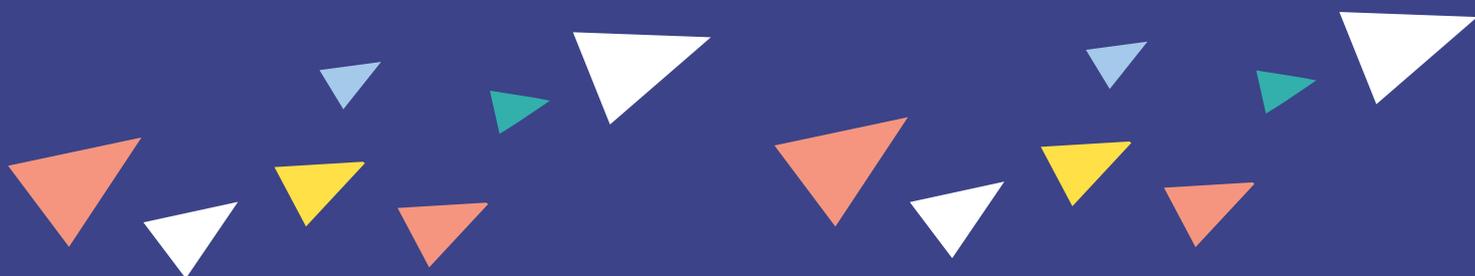
Sangam 55th Birthday Party

Come and join us to celebrate the 55th Birthday of Sangam World Centre!

Sangam is celebrating a fabulous 55 years of being your World Centre in India! Join us to celebrate Sangam's Birthday and make it special with your presence. Enjoy historic Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting experiences, while learning and sharing the history of Sangam and our birthday experience in this international atmosphere. Be part of the fun and enjoy the spirit of Sangam with the Sangam Family! All participants under the age of 16 will need an adult to register and attend this session with them.

Session length: 60min

Age: All ages



Our Chalet Trip Planning

The perfect session to join if you are planning a trip to Our Chalet World Centre!

During a 30-minute presentation, find out all the juicy details you need to know to make your trip the best experience possible for your whole group. In addition, you will have plenty of time to ask all of your own burning questions during a question-and-answer time. Best suited for leaders interested in booking an event at OC. Max 2 people per Unit/Troop to attend. All participants under the age of 16 will need an adult to register and attend this session with them.

Session length: 60min

Age: Adults (or youth leading on trip planning)

Namaste Sangam

With arts and crafts, songs, laughter and beautiful saris, don't miss this exciting Sangam experience!

Meet the Sangam Family, enjoy a virtual tour of Sangam and ask all the questions you have ever wondered about India, it's culture, and of course about Sangam. The wonderful local team come to you monsoon rain or sweltering heat to make your Indian dreams come true. This session will even feature Mehendi/Heena, which is the traditional art of painting the hands. All participants under the age of 16 will need an adult to register and attend this session with them.

Session length: 90mins

Age: All ages

Our Cabana Birthday Celebrations!

Join us as Our Cabana celebrates 64 wondrous years of empowering women everywhere!

Our Cabana is known for putting on a great party, so you definitely don't want to miss this party! With another year under their belts, the Our Cabana team share their favourite birthday traditions and all things birthday party themed in the throw down of the year. We are already reaching for the party hats and balloons!

Session length: 60min

Age: All ages

Kusafiri 10th Birthday Party

It has been 10 amazing years since Kusafiri started to leave its footprints around Africa Region. Join us to celebrate this special occasion and about different traditions in Africa like drumming, dancing and much much more.

Session length: TBC

Age: TBC





INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

Do you love being part of a Global sisterhood? And have had enough of being isolated by COVID19-? Join us, and hundreds of other Guides and Scouts from across the whole Movement, as we celebrate World Thinking Day, International Women's Day and International Friendship Day.

If you would love to share what you love about Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, or the culture in your home country, then our International Showcase events are for you! Experience the incredible feeling of being connected to other Girl Guides and Girls Scouts from all over the world who you can immediately call a friend!

World Thinking Day Celebration

What better way to celebrate World Thinking Day 2021 than with the five World Centres! Celebrate World Thinking Day 2021 and Stand Together for Peace, our theme for 2021. This theme was just meant to be, so come and join us as we take part in Stand Strong, Stand Up and Stand Together activities from the WAGGGS pack, you can even earn your World Thinking Day Badge with us!

Session length: 60-90mins

Age: 7+

International Friendship Event

Love Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting and connection with fellow member across the Movement? Want to be a part of something huge? Then this is for you!

Last year saw the World Centres hold their first global virtual event to connect Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from across the Movement. With 6000 people connecting live, and 20,000 more watching the video later, what a way to break the virtual programme barrier. Join us for our next global connection event and experience the incredible feeling of being connected to other Girl Guides and Girls Scouts from all over the world who you can automatically call a friend!

Session length: TBC

Age: TBC

International Day of the Girl Celebrations

“Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”

-Harriet Tubman

Join us as we celebrate International Day of the Girl 2021. An international observance day declared by the United Nations in 2011 and a brilliant opportunity for us to reflect on the realities of girls all over the world, the struggles they face but also the immense power they possess. Be a part of a major day in the WAGGGS calendar as we combine celebration and education to benefit the future of girls everywhere.

Session length: TBC

Age: TBC

International Showcase

Join us as we celebrate and learn about Guiding/Scouting around the World!

Join the five WAGGGS World Centres as they host this exciting international showcasing event where members will share what they love about Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting or about their own culture. You never know what you could learn from someone on the other side of the world... until you join the International Showcase! For all those that sign up there is also a chance to appear in the line-up of presenters if you would like.

Session length: 90mins

Age: 14+

