



December 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

YMCA Fylde Coast will be attending **Hodgson Academy** on **Monday 16/01/2017** to offer your son or daughter a chance to sign up with **NCS** to experience the a summer of a life time!

National Citizen Service is a four week programme that happens during the summer of 2017. On NCS, your teenager will develop the skills that employers increasingly value: confidence, leadership and independence. **NCS** is a great addition to your teenager's CV. In fact, almost three quarters (72%) of NCS graduates feel more confident about getting a job after doing NCS. All NCS graduates receive a certificate signed by the Prime Minister, and moreover, UCAS recommends students put NCS in their personal statement.

NCS is amazing value for money - the whole experience will cost you just **£50**. Why? Because the programme is backed by the government, which invests more than £1,000 per place. We strongly believe that no one should ever be prevented from taking part in **NCS** for financial reasons, which is why financial assistance is available.

In week one, your teenager will live away from home for a five-day residential; we partner with some of the country's most popular outdoor activity and residential centres. In week two, your teenager will embrace independent living, typically in university campus dorms or uni-style halls. For the social action phase - weeks three and four - your teenager will return to their local area and give something back to their community!

At all stages of the journey, **NCS** partners with some amazing organisations including charities, college consortia as well as Voluntary, Community, Social Enterprise (VCSE) and private sector partners across the country. Wherever you live in England or Northern Ireland, there will be a local **NCS** programme.

When we attend Hodgson Academy your son or daughter will be asked to complete an expression of interest form in school. You will then be contacted by one of our team soon after. However, If you feel like you don't want to wait feel free to sign up online straight away at WWW.NCSNORTHWEST.CO.UK

[NCS Northwest - It all starts at YES](http://WWW.NCSNORTHWEST.CO.UK)

www.ncsnorthwest.co.uk

NCS offers new adventures, new friendships and new challenges, combining outdoor excitement, independent living and a chance to make your mark in your community.

Saying **YES** to **NCS** may be the most valuable gift you give your teen this year.

Please support us in ensuring your children don't miss out on this incredible opportunity.

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes

The NCS Team,

YMCA Fylde Coast

To find out more call our friendly NCS team here at YMCA Fylde Coast on 01253 283891 or use the links below.

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