

## **Important information for groups using The Castle Climbing Centre**

### **Parental consent**

It is important that all young people attending Geckos climbing sessions have been given permission to do so by their parent or guardian. It is the responsibility of the group leader to ensure this and to confirm this on The Castle's group use form. Please make sure that all parents/guardians are aware that climbing is a potentially hazardous activity.

### **On arrival at The Castle**

Please present yourselves to reception, where your instructor/s will be waiting for you. We suggest that you arrive approximately ten to fifteen minutes before the starting time, to allow sufficient time for the young people to be fitted with climbing shoes and to store their coats etc. in lockers. If you arrive early, please ensure that the group stays together, under control and relatively quiet, whilst they wait.

Please note that under no circumstances must anyone begin climbing until they are under the supervision of an instructor.

Just before the start of the session the instructors will finalize any paperwork, whilst the climbers collect their shoes from the shop. Once the climbers have put on their shoes the instructors will begin the session.

### **At the end of the session:**

Please ensure that the all kit is returned- helmets and harnesses to the instructors, shoes to the shop- as soon as the session ends. Please ensure that all the young people stay under your supervision and that no-one continues to climb on any of the walls, or runs around in the centre.

We hope that you all enjoy your climbing session at The Castle with Geckos.