Young Person Information Pack



Your Adventure Begins Here!

The World Scout Jamboree is a gathering of Scouts from nearly every country in the world, held every four years in a different host nation. It is a celebration of international friendship, cultural exchange, and the values of Scouting.

World Scout **26th Jamboree** Scout Mondial



Petworth and Pulborough District are looking for 3 young people to join Unit 66 at the next World Scout Jamboree in Gdansk, Poland during the summer of 2027.

This information pack is designed especially for young people interested in applying for this incredible event, providing everything you need to know to get started on your Jamboree journey.

Welcome to the World Scout Jamboree Experience

Are you ready for an adventure of a lifetime?

The World Scout Jamboree is a once-in-a-lifetime adventure, with tens of thousands of Scouts from all over the world. It's about making new friends, trying new things, learning about different cultures, and discovering what you're capable of.

But it's also a big commitment. It takes time, energy, and a willingness to step outside your comfort zone. This experience isn't right for everyone, and that's okay. There are lots of other amazing opportunities in Scouting, too.

This description is here to help you decide if applying for the Jamboree is something you'd enjoy and grow from.

What Kind of Young People Are We Looking For?

There's no such thing as a "perfect" Jamboree participant. We're not looking for the loudest, the most confident, or the most experienced. We're looking for a mix of people who are ready to:

- Be part of a team listen, support others, and work together
- Try new things even if they feel a bit scary at first
- Be open-minded meet people from different backgrounds and cultures
- Get stuck in whether it's cooking dinner, putting up tents, or joining in activities
- Grow learn about yourself, challenge yourself, and come back with stories to tell

You don't need to have done anything like this before. You just need to be up for the journey.



What You'll Be Expected to Do

If you're selected, you'll be part of a Unit with other young people from West Sussex. You'll:

- Take part in training weekends and team-building activities, throughout 2026 and 2027
- Help fundraise for your place and support others in doing the same
- Represent your community and the UK at an international event
- Be ready to learn, laugh, and maybe even get a bit muddy!

Who Can Apply?

• Scouts and Explorer Scouts born between 30 July 2009 and 30 July 2013.

Why Apply?

- Make friends from around the world and build a global network.
- Gain confidence, independence, and leadership skills.
- Experience another culture and broaden your horizons.
- Represent your country and your local Scout group on the world stage.
- Challenge yourself with new activities and adventures.

Still Not Sure?

That's okay. Talk to your leaders, your family, or someone who's been to a Jamboree before. Ask questions. Think about what excites you and what worries you. This might be the right adventure for you, or it might not be. Either way, there's something in Scouting for everyone.



Key Dates and Timeline

- Applications Open: Monday 1st September 2025
- Application Deadline: Saturday 20th September 2025
- Invitations to selection event: Sunday 28th September 2025
- Selection event for short-listed applicants: Sunday 5th October 2025

How to Apply

Applying involves several steps:

- Complete the application, which includes questions about you, your Scouting experience, and reasons for wanting to attend.
 - Make sure your parent/carer and leader know that you have applied
 - Scan for the <u>Application Form</u> -
- Look out for an invitation to the selection event for short-listed applicants.
- Attend selection events, which will include group activities, interviews, and motivation assessments.

Tips for a Successful Application

- Show your passion for Scouting and international adventure!
- Be honest about what you hope to gain and contribute.
- Highlight experiences where you've shown teamwork, leadership, or resilience.
- Prepare for group activities and interviews by practicing with friends or family. We want to get to know you, not what you know.
- Ask for help from leaders or previous Jamboree participants if you have questions.

Final Thoughts

The World Scout Jamboree in Poland is more than an event—it's a celebration of youth, discovery, diversity, and global unity. If you're ready to challenge yourself, represent your country, and make friends from all over the world, don't miss this chance.

Start your application today and let the adventure begin!

If you have any questions or concerns then please contact us at wsj-selection@pandpscouts.org.uk



