



## **AWAY FROM IT ALL HOLIDAY SCHEME**

The Mothers' Union is a Christian organisation supporting families. One of its aims is to help those who are experiencing difficulties in their family life. In Leicester Diocese Mothers' Union members raise money each year so that up to 12 families can enjoy a short (Away From It All) holiday.

Families may be nominated by Mothers' Union members, clergy, Health Visitors, Social Workers, teachers, Homestart and other agencies, irrespective of their religious belief. Families must live in the city or county of Leicestershire.

The holiday is a short break during the Summer school holidays each year.

Families travel by coach there and back and are accommodated in self-catering caravans. This is all free of charge. A generous pack of basic food is provided but families will have to buy their own additional supplies and are responsible for their own meals and activities, although the holiday venue offers a wide range of activities and entertainment, a number of which are free.

A Mothers' Union representative will accompany the Families throughout in order to be available should assistance be needed.

Adapted accommodation is available for families with special needs.

### **CRITERIA**

Families should not have had a holiday together for at least 3 years.

Bereavement / trauma / family crisis / family in need etc. are all criteria for selection.

Family can include a supportive friend or relative if needed.

All applications have to be supported by someone who knows the family in a professional capacity (e.g. Doctor, Clergy, School Head, Family Support Worker, Social Worker, Food Bank).

### **HOW TO APPLY**

**Apply before December 31<sup>st</sup> for a possible place on next year's holiday.**

The family and the Referral Agent are required to complete an Application / Referral Form, obtainable by writing to, or telephoning.

AFIA Holiday Scheme  
MU Office, St Martins House  
7 Peacock Lane,  
Leicester LE1 5PZ

Telephone: 0116 2615339  
(Tuesday 9.30am – 2.30pm)  
email: [kate.cooper@leicestercofe.org](mailto:kate.cooper@leicestercofe.org)