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Visit Santa In A Hard Hat At The UK's Deepest Grotto!

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Visitors to Pennine Yorkshire can take their children to see Father Christmas at one of the UK's deepest locations – a 140-metre deep Santa's Grotto at the National Coal Mining Museum for England in Wakefield.

Opening every weekend until Christmas, this represents a unique opportunity for families to meet Santa in one of the most unexpected places.

Parents and children will be transported down the mineshaft, which is equivalent to the height of Blackpool Tower, for a 30-minute tour of what was formerly a working mine, before visiting Mr Claus and his elves in his underground haven where all kids under 12 years old will receive a special gift.

In addition to the underground grotto, visitors will be treated to Christmas-themed activities on the surface, including a festive arts & crafts and a reindeer-inspired treasure hunt, which add to the fun atmosphere.

For more information please visit www.pennineyorkshire.com

Dates:

- Saturday 12 December/Sunday 13 December
- Saturday 19 December/Sunday 20 December

Opening Times: 10am-5pm

Cost: Children (£6), adults (£4). Bookings are advisable.

Ends

Notes to Editors:

1) Pennine Yorkshire is an initiative from the West Yorkshire Tourism Partnership, comprising five local authorities: Bradford, Kirklees, Calderdale, Leeds and Wakefield. The initiative is supported by Yorkshire Forward, the Regional Development Agency charged with improving the Yorkshire and Humber economy

2) Pennine Yorkshire is at the geographical heart of the UK, easily accessed by the M1, A1 and M62

3) Pennine Yorkshire provides something to do for all, from outdoor pursuits in moorland locations to cultural and educational museums and gardens. It boasts a diverse range of attractions from rural scenery and industrial heritage; to trendy market towns and local nostalgia

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