



34th Chesterfield (Brimington) Scout Group

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Dear Parents & Carers,

As well as details of some upcoming events and activities, this newsletter should also provide you with updates about the Scout Group.

Email newsletters

Hopefully you have received this newsletter via email. Using email not only avoids you missing information when your child misses a meeting, but it will save the Group on printing costs, money which can be put back into providing activities for your child.

We will still have printed copies for those who cannot access email or would prefer to receive hard copies.

Facebook and Twitter

For those who are not aware, the Scout Group has both Facebook & Twitter which are used to promote the Scout Group. If you have not already done so, please “like” or “follow” us at the links below:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/34th-Chesterfield-Brimington-Scout-Group/347041738730010>

Twitter: @brimingtonscout

Website

The Group’s website has a new look and been updated to give more information about the Group and what we are up to. You will be able to find more information about the activities and events below using the website as well as finding information about your child’s section.

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New Leader

We pleased to welcome Giraffe (Amanda Collison) to the leadership team. Amanda has been helping with Beavers for a few weeks and has decided to take on the role of Assistant Beaver Scout Leader after the Easter holidays.

We are still looking for volunteers both on Friday evenings and behind the scenes. More information about ways you can volunteers with us can be found on our website at the link below:

<http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/volunteering-opportunities/>

Group Family Camp

The Group will be holding our first Group Family Camp at Spite Winter from 12th-14th June. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and their families are invited to join us and camp for the weekend.

The cost of the camp includes all food and activities:

- £20 for Beavers, Cubs or Scouts camping without their family
- £50 for a family (up to 2 adults & 2 children)
- £20 for additional adults, £10 for additional children

For more information or to book a place, see one of the leaders or the link below:

<http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/group-family-camp/>

Saint George's Day

The Group will be taking part in two events on Sunday 26th April to celebrate Saint George, the Patron Saint of Scouting.

We are asking all Beavers, Cubs and Scouts to try their best to attend the District Parade through the town centre in FULL uniform. We will meet at the side of the Town Hall at 2pm ready to fall in for inspection at 2.10pm. Following the inspection, the Parade will leave and make its way to arrive at Chesterfield Parish Church (Crooked Spire) at 3.15 for a short service. Following the service, the parade will return back through town to the town hall. The Parade will be dismissed at the Town Hall at approximately 4.15pm.

There will also be a rehearsal for flag bearers on Wednesday 22nd April – you will be informed on Friday 17th April if your child has been asked to carry the flag.

The route can be found at the link below.

We have also been asked to attend the service at St Michael's along with the Rainbows & Brownies. We will meet for this one at the Church Hall at 9.45am ready for a 10am start and the service will end at approximately 11.15pm.

We understand that it is a lot to ask our youngsters to attend both services. If your child only wishes to attend one, please can you try and make it the District Parade in town as this is our priority. However, if there are youngsters who would like to attend both, or really cannot do the parade in town, please come along in uniform.

<http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/st-georges-day/>

Canoeing

The Group will be canoeing at Walton Dam on Friday 24th April. Beavers should arrive for 5.45pm and their session will end at 7pm. Cubs & Scouts should arrive at 7pm and will finish at 8.15pm. Scouts are asked to stay after this to help load the canoes onto the trailer at the end of the evening – they will be ready to leave no later than 9pm. Parents are welcome to stay and watch/take photos of the canoeing session and also help load the canoes at the end of the evening. Youngsters will need 2 or 3 thin layers of clothing: underwear or swimwear, tracksuit bottoms, light water shoes or trainers, light waterproofs. They will also need a full set of clothing to change into when finished, warm coat, hat & gloves & 2 towels. Youngsters may also choose to bring a warm drink & snacks. NO JEANS, HEAVY BOOTS or THICK COATS will be allowed on the water

Section Programmes

The Provisional Programme for your child's section can be found attached or on the website:

Beavers: <http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/category/beaver-programme/>

Cubs: <http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/category/cub-programme/>

Scouts: <http://brimingtonscouts.org.uk/wp/category/troop-programme/>

Your child will need to have returned the relevant section consent form attached in order to take part in activities away from the Church Hall.

Activity Information Forms

Please can you complete the relevant activity information form and return by Friday 24th April to cover activities for this term. Your child will be unable to take part in some activities without this form.

Cub Trip to Disneyland Paris

If there are any Cubs (or Beavers nearly 7 and over) who would like to join the Disney trip in October and has not already paid a deposit, please can you let me know as soon as possible. If you require more information,