8th Ashford (Middx) Scout Group Beaver Programme Spring 2024



Date	Programme	Where	Uniform	Leader
9 January	Welcome back + fitness	hut	full	ALL
16 January	Getting to know you	hut	full	Kingfisher
23 January	Code name communication	hut	full	kestrel
30 January	Do your best	hut	full	Otter
6 February	Chinese New years + investures	hut	full	young leaders
13 February	HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM
20 February	Health and fitness	hut	full	badger
27 February	lets get knotty	hut	full	kingfisher
5 March	Its a secret	hut	full	Peacock
12 March	spring time	tbc	full	peacock
16 March	SLEEPOVER EVENT	tbc		Leader Team
19 March	where shall we go	tbc	full	Kestrel young leaders
26 March	Easter Fun.	hut	full	Otter
2 April 9 April	EASTER HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM
16 April	Welcome back	HQ	Full	

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a very happy Christmas break. Welcome to the parents of new Beavers starting today, welcome back to everyone else.

As the new term starts at Beavers, we thought a few reminders would be appropriate. Please note Beavers are currently required to bring their own water bottle if they may want a drink during the meeting.

Please can we ask that Beaver Scouts wear their school shoes with their uniform or predominantly dark trainers rather than coloured trainers. Being proud to wear the uniform and our scarf is important for each of our sections at 8th Ashford.

Please read the current Risk Assessment for Covid Control Measures that will be sent to you via email.

General

• Please ensure that you remain with your son/daughter until we open the inner doors - we need the time beforehand to set up and for the required number of Leaders to arrive.

 \cdot We will keep the Beavers in the hall at the end of meetings until an adult comes to collect them.

 \cdot When collecting your son/daughter, you will be invited into the hall. Whilst your children remain in the hall will give out weekly notices and it will be your opportunity to ask the leadership team any questions.

• Due to the small parking area outside the hall it is requested that parents **do not** park their cars there whilst dropping off or waiting to collect Beavers. This is for your child's safety! **PLEASE be considerate of our neighbours when parking.**

Parent Rota

On occasions due to work commitments, we ask for some adult support to assist an evening, We will issue a rota with around one date per term to assist our evening, it is very important we have the extra help, so please arrange a swap with another parent if your date isn't suitable. Thank you in advance.

Parent/Leader Help

Parent(s) who feel that they could spare a few hours a week and consider the possibility of becoming an appointed leader or assistant (non-uniformed) for Beavers/Cubs/Scouts would be gratefully received. Planning and running the Section is done as a team and the more help we get, the less each individual has to do, and responsibility is shared.

Important Notice

Parents should be aware that as we have a seat-belted mini bus, we may go on short trips of interest within Beaver time. We may also, go walking outside the H.Q. i.e. to Clockhouse Lane Recreation Ground. As these trips would be a 'spur of the moment' we will not have the opportunity to get individual trip permission slips. Beavers are not to be collected from anywhere else please, unless we have an organised event elsewhere.

Photographs may be taken of the Beavers during their activities for our section website gallery, if you do not want your son/daughter to be photographed please bring this to the attention of your section leader, otherwise we will assume a 'blanket authorisation' for these occasions. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to see one of the leaders.

Kind Regards The Beaver Scout Leadership Team