

1st Stoke Row Scouts Newsletter

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Spring Term: Start 14th January & Finish 25th March (Half Term on 18th Feb)
Summer Term: Start 22nd April & Finish 15th July (Half Term on 27th May)
Subscriptions of £26 for the Spring term are now due.



This term we welcome 6 new Beavers: Kester Jacob, Freddie Street, Emma Mortimer, Ruby Bradbury, Michael Croft and Archie Griggs, bringing our total up to 18 children, 13 boys and 5 girls. We hope the new Beavers have lots of fun in our Colony and settle in quickly with the help of their Beaver Buddy.

Last term, lodge inspection was won by Red Indians, so William, Archie (Barribal), Jasper and Holly will take it in turns to have the Beaver Trophy this term.

We are going to complete the Friendship Challenge Badge this term. As part of this Challenge we are going to hold a fund raising evening for Air Ambulance, a wonderful operation, who have helped so many people in our village. We are having a bring and buy sale, selling good quality second hand books, games and toys on 4th March at 5pm at the Pavilion. We shall also have a cake stall and raffle and sell refreshments. Each Beaver is going to invite a friend for the evening as well as bring along his family. Linked to this are the Air Activities, which we hope to complete this term.



We shall also be doing some swimming badges - hopefully all the beavers are out there practicing and trying to get their 25 metre or even 100 metre badges in readiness for our swimming evening after half term.

We are doing the Hikes Away 1 badge, and working on the Creative Activity badge, whilst several beavers will be working on their Animal or Hobby badge at home.

Hobbies Activity Badges have recently been awarded to William Hybert for his interest in cycling and learning how to look after his bike, to John Higgins for doing judo and giving us a demonstration and to Eleanor Lee for collecting crystals and telling us all about it.



It's great to be back at Cubs for a brand new year, and we've already got lots of things planned, including some knotty problems, a spot of star-gazing, and hopefully a French evening too, once we've found our berets! In addition, we have an exciting night-hike lined up, a spot of pancake cooking near to Shrove Tuesday, some craft stuff planned for later in the term, as well as our usual fun and games every week. We're going to have a great time!

This term, we welcome three new cubs: **George Lee, Kerem Ozgu and Ruby Sumeray** – we hope they will soon settle in, make lots of new friends and really enjoy being with us!

Please DON'T forget to **bring a coat** when it's cold – but please also remember to take it home with you too, because last term we built up quite a good collection!

Happy new year everyone!



We now have 14 Scouts confirmed. We also have two new Assistant Scout Leaders, Tom Farmer, (an ex Stoke Row Scout) and Chris Goswell, a parent. We are hoping to recruit at least one more.

Our programme this term is based on the Fitness, Creative and Community Challenge Badges. We will also be completing the Pioneering badge. As part of the Creative and Community Badges each patrol will be designing and building a Scarecrow for Sutton Courtney.

This term, we will have the help of 4 District Group Scout Leaders, who will attending each night until end of March, when we hope to be self sufficient. Trevor is handing the role of Group Scout Leader over to Barry during this term, and helping with the GSL duties. We will continue to build the troop and provide a good programme.