

85th Greenock & District Beavers

Newsletter Spring/Summer 2013

Welcome!

Welcome to Beavers who have joined us since our last newsletter! In our last term leading up to summer, we're going to be busy. As always it is essential that we have an email address for a parent or guardian so that we can communicate the events to you. Anyone who has been asked to fill out Essential Information forms recently, please return ASAP so that we have up to date details including emergency contact details.

Our Programme Plan

Implementing a new structure into our balanced programme over the last quarter, we've had lots of fun. Unfortunately our camp had to be cancelled due to snow but we're trying to organise another one for September.

Our programme is centred around earning badges and now that we have the weather on our side we can tackle the outdoor aspect of things. We are also continuing with healthy eating, global and creative badges.



Beavers trying their hand at using chopsticks for Chinese New Year – with sweets of course!



Beavers team up with Cubs and raise money for Red Nose Day

Adventure

Currently trying to secure dates for a day trip to Cornalees which will involve pond dipping, learning about the nature on our doorstep and going for a walk round the nature trail. The walk will allow us to see aspects of nature in addition to achieving our staged hiking badges.



Bronze Awards

A big congratulations to Jack and Nathan who were awarded their Queens Scout Bronze Award, the highest achievement that a Beaver Scout can obtain. Jaimie will also be awarded his Bronze award and move up shortly. Anyone who has joined us recently will take their Promise soon following their investment into Beavers. If you have any questions about your child's move to Cubs please come and speak to us.

Fees

The vast majority of the fees for 2012/2013 are now in. Fees for 2013/2014 will be due when we start back in September and will be taken on a registration night on starting back. This is to ensure prompt payment in order that we can run effectively and remain viable.

The Beaver Scout Team

We are all volunteers and work full time at our day jobs, we are totally committed to ensuring your kids enjoy themselves when they're at Beavers. As such, we are all PVG cleared in line with Disclosure Scotland and we have a Child Protection Policy which is followed by all our leaders. All our leaders are fully trained or in receipt of training. They are: Cathy, Debi, Jill and Craig for Inverkip and Dawn, Jennifer and Craig for Wemyss Bay. As always we also appreciate Parent Helpers who assist us when necessary.

To contact us please phone Craig on [07450 319 357](tel:07450319357) or email at craigwilson58@btinternet.com

Uniforms

Uniforms are available at the online scout shop – shop.scouts.org.uk. Beavers need a jumper, neckie and polo shirt is optional. Neckies have to be ordered through us as they have to be specially made.



Tying shoelaces – strawberry shoelaces!!!

Parade

Parade will be on Sunday 2nd June 2013. Further details will follow.

Publicity

Check out our [website](#) and our [facebook page](#), '85th Greenock & District Scout Group'. Your feed back on this newsletter is welcomed. Please feel free to contact any leader at any time. We're here to help.

Kind Regards - Cathy, Debi, Jill, Dawn, Jennifer and Craig