

## 6th and 13th Enfield Beaver colony.

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

#### FEBRUARY/MARCH ISSUE

- Church Parade at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George at 9am in full uniform in the parish centre (to the side of the church) please. Please can you ensure your child has gone to the toilet before mass.
- Waiting list—email names and birthdays of your other children wanting to join in the next 5 years to kaa@13thenfield.org.uk we now have a 3 year waiting list.
- We need your help please. Weekly parent sign up or rota option, occasional helper or full assistant beaver scout leader.
- Half term next week (Friday 21st February so no beavers, we will be back on 28th February.
- End of term at Easter will be Friday 28th March (a week before school finishes)
- For more information visit www.13thenfield.org.uk or email me on kaa@13thenfield.org.uk
- For emergency use my personal mobile is 07788643192
- If your child is going to be absent please can you text me as early as possible on the day by 4pm or the day before. I often have to buy resources which are wasted if we have less than anticipated Beavers. Thanks. Kaa.

## A Busy Spring Term 2014

Our beaver scout colony is now full with an extended waiting list. We would like to welcome all the new beavers who have joined us over the past few weeks: Arthur, Alfie Joseph B, Maja, Maks and Bartosz and another set of triplets William, Kieran and Ben, After half term we welcome Adam C and Luna.

Two of our beavers Thomas Ross and Thomas French are moving up to cubs after half term. We wish him well and every success.

#### Waiting list:

The waiting list is now quite long. If your child has a younger sibling (birth to 4) and you would like them to be placed on the list please can you give Kaa the details as soon as possible so as to reserve their place. I have just entered 2 children who are currently aged 2. It's never too early!

#### Church parades

Thank you for the excellent turn-

out at church parade at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George (OLSG) on 2nd February. The beavers were impeccably behaved and sat quietly throughout mass. The next church parade is Sunday 2nd March 9am.

#### Young Leaders.

We now have 4 young leaders who are helping as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award. They will be with us for most of this year and hopefully beyond. They are Marco, Loretta, Michael and Matteo. Please say hello to them.

#### Lodges

The beavers have now been allocated a lodge and have an colour coded woggle. Each lodge has a lodge leader and an assistant lodge leader. The lodges are based on the elements of Water, Earth, Wind and Fire. Lodge points are available for beavers doing their best, working as a team and attendance at church parade. The lodge with the highest points at Easter will be gaining a prize each.

#### Beaver of the month

Based on the principle of our promise of doing their best, to be kind and helpful, two beavers per month are awarded this special prize. Well done to:

December and January: Thomas F

February: Marek

March: who will be next? We are increasing this to two beaver of the month awards.

Those awarded will gain a lodge point and wear a special woggle for that month which is then passed to the next recipient. Well done Marek.







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## Bronze Chief Scout Award





We would like to congratulate 5 Beavers who have gained the highest award in Beavers—their Bronze Chief Scout Award.:

Thomas Ross, Thomas French, James Gavaghan Matthew Lockwood Paul Brobyn To gain this badge you must complete and be awarded all the challenge badges. This includes, Outdoor, Promise, Friendship, Global and Creative.

Their previous beaver scout leader Akela awarded the badges. Akela is now a District Cub Scout Leader so she will be keeping her eye on them in their next few years in scouting when they move up to cubs.

Well done Beavers. You have done your best.







# Can you help?

Thank you so much for all the parental support each week, it really means the beavers have more support with the activities we do and we can be more safe and adventurous with our planning. Although we have 4 brilliant young leaders now helping for a while we still need at least 2-3 parents helping every evening), so please can you check your diary. If you log onto the online scout manager link that the group scout leader (Peter) sent you in order to sign up, the names/descriptions of the sessions coming

#### up are there.

Recently parents were seen having fun helping tie knots, putting up tents, making didgeridoos, Mexican capes, and pizza.

If you would like to help more regularly, then we would love to have more helpers with our growing colony. You will need to fill out an occasional helper application form (which we are giving out after meetings) and a CRB (now called DBS) check done.

If you want to be a permanent assistant leader then that would be brilliant too. The process is not too daunting, and from my own experience, being a beaver scout leader is so rewarding. Everyone can do it, I have a full time teaching job in East London plus 2 young boys and this fits in perfectly.

### Badges

We have been beavering away (excuse the pun) on badges over the winter months and these should now be sewn onto the long sleeved sweatshirt.

I have given out sheets of where these go, however if you want another source, and want to know what badges your child can work

on at home, you can download the 'my badges' app available for iphones and android for free.

Show me evidence of what they have done eg swimming staged badge (that meet the criteria set) and I will order the badge for you.

Over the spring and summer we will be more outdoors doing fun activities, and so less badges may well be earnt in comparison to the amount we have done recently.

For all lost badges and woggles there is now a replacement fee to cover this cost. Please note I can only get to the badge shop about once a month.







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1	Programme for the rest of the spring term
 	We have a varied programmed lined up for the rest of term:
 	28.02.14—Pancake/Lent—giving or giving up?
l	Saturday 01.03.14—District Campfire at Scout park, Gordon Road, (Bounds Green). N11
	2PB £5 event for which everyone received a letter about this on 07.02.14 when you left
	beavers. Your own transport. www.scoutpark.org.uk
-   	Sunday 02.03.14 —Church parade Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George. 9am full uniform.
i i	07.03.14—House proud—how to put on a pillowcase and duvet—they could practice this
I.	at home after if you wish :). Plus we have a talk from 'FOX; one of our occasional helpers
 	who has just returned from an expedition to Antarctica.
	14.03.14—Experiement badge—we have a real life scientist for this (Joseph B's dad)
	Sunday 16.03.14 District Beaver Bowling competition, Hollywood bowl, Finchley I I am.
	£5 per beaver. If anyone wants to go, let kaa know by 24th February as we have to have a
L	team of 6 and we can only go if we get those numbers. First come first served. Your own
	transport.
	21.0314—Easter and Mother's day—creative activities
 	28.03.14—More Easter and Mother's day sessions
I I	04.04.14—no Beavers—Easter holidays. We return on Friday 25th April. Happy Easter everyone.

#### Dates for your diary: Full details nearer the time.

Sunday 27th April St George's Day parade in Enfield 2pm. Badger will be in charge of this.

Friday 20th June — District Beaver Scout ramble. Forty Hall. This goes towards the hike badge. This will be instead of our hut meeting. Times TBC

Saturday 5th July—District Beaver Scout outing to Gulliver Land. 8.30am to 5pm. Suitable clothing needed for some rides.

