

“Words from Thirds”

3rd Harpenden Scout Group Spring 23 Newsletter



St. George's Day
Sunday 23rd April
St. George's Day Parade
Post parade social at the hut
Food, drinks & games!
All families welcome!

BEAVERS

News from Christian Scott and Janna Brooker, Beaver Leaders

At Beavers this term we have been busy being creative and performing with some very fun jokes and a great singing and dance performance. We've also worked on Global Issues looking at Fair Trade, recycling, reusing and reducing our waste, filtering water and saving energy. We've talked about being a good Digital Citizen and looking at exploring our local area. Lots of Beavers have been working on badges at home too, with one sewing on their own badges after being invested. We've played lots of games and had fun all round!



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News from Rachel Keen, Cub Leader

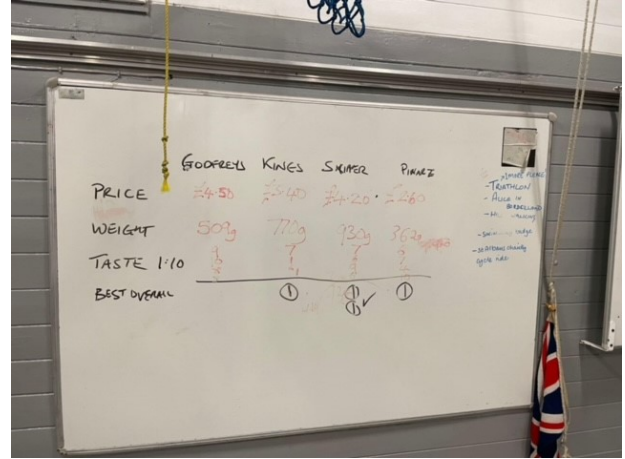
We started this term with a visit to the Eric Morecambe Centre to watch the 73rd Gang Show. As ever, this was a fabulous performance, showcasing the many talents of Harpenden Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. Almost one third of the Mini Gang were 3rd Cubs! Applications for the 74th show will open in the next month or so. Back at the hut, we've started work on our Personal Challenge badge – Cubs have set themselves various challenges to complete and we look forward to hearing how they've got on at the end of this term. We also peeled, chopped and stir-fried vegetables as part of the World Challenge badge. Later this term, we'll be completing the badge by learning a Cub promise from another country as well as playing games from around the globe. Cubs have also made mini catapults and fired pom poms into the ether and worked together to recreate human lungs! We have also pioneered together and completed our Disability Awareness badge.



Later this term, a session will be handed over to our Sixers and Seconders and we look forward to this! We'll also be going off-site for a night hike (hopefully, it'll involve a stop at a chip shop). Next term, we aim to be outside for many more of our meetings and we're also planning a tent-based summer term sleepover!



This term sees us welcoming two new Scouts, George and James, moving up from Cubs and a fond farewell to senior scout Ellie, who sadly will be leaving us at Easter. We are looking forward to our first 3rds camp of the year at the beginning of April – Alice in Borderland - followed by a back to basics survival camp in May. We are entering a team of four scouts in the County running/cycling/shooting triathlon at the end of March at Lees Wood and hope to take some scouts to the St Albans charity cycle ride in May. Our Scouts have been busy getting creative making wire animals, learning origami and designing their own album covers on Monday nights, plus planning and executing a great chip shop hike locally. And for those keen to hone their map-reading skills further, we will be running a training day in the Bedfordshire hills in April. Our annual Patrol cooking competition will no doubt be a highlight this term – any volunteer judges, please give us a shout!



Looking for a venue for a birthday party, celebration etc? Our hut is available for hire. Great space inside and a fantastic outside area too. If you are interested please contact Carl on:
hutbookings@3rdharpenden.co.uk



3rd Executive committee

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Get in touch if you have any ideas to share or would like to be more involved:
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WATCH THIS SPACE.....
 The 3rds website is currently underway and hopefully will be ready by the Summer.