

# **PARENTS GUIDE**





# Welcome to the adventure!

Beaver Scouts is the first and youngest section in the Scout Movement for 6 to 8 year olds. As a Beaver, your child will join their Colony in exploring the outdoors, delving into creative crafts, discovering their community, playing games and making friends.

After a few weeks of attending Beaver Scouts, your child will be 'invested'. This is when they promise to do their best and help others. Find the various versions of the Beaver Scout Promise on page 8.

Scouting opens the eyes of young people to a world of extraordinary possibilities.





# **Activities**

Earn badges, get active and embrace the challenge!

We believe that young people learn by doing, so our Beaver Scout Programme is bursting at the seams with a magnificent variety of activities, which engage and challenge young people of all abilities.

You can expect your child to get involved in:

- sleepovers
- water activities
- nature walks
- cooking
- crafts
- sports
- and many more...

The costs of Scouting will vary depending on your Group. Ask your Leader about costs and if needed, any support available.









# The Beaver Scout Promise

The Beaver Scout Promise helps Beavers to understand and remember the values of Scouting.

Every young person and Leader makes their Promise as part of being invested into Scouting. Speak to your Leader to find out more about investiture.

Help your child to choose the Promise that is right for them.

### For Christians, Jews and Sikhs

I promise to do my best To be kind and helpful And to love God

# For Hindus and Buddhists

I promise to do my best To be kind and helpful And to love my Dharma

# For humanists, atheists and those with no defined faith

I promise to do my best To be kind and helpful And to love our world

## **For Muslims**

I promise to do my best To be kind and helpful And to love Allah

# **Beaver uniform**



# Looking for BEAVERS uniform?



Get all your Scouting goods from **Scout Shops**, the official retailer for The Scout Association. From books and resources to camping equipment and more!

SHOP NOW AT: SCOUTS.OTG.UK/Shop

# Peace of mind

To ensure your child is safe, Leaders adhere to our anti-bullying, equal opportunities, safety and child protection policies.

Beaver Scouts take part in activities and learn new skills under the supervision of adult volunteers.

They work effectively and safely with young people to deliver the Scout Programme and have access to training to support them in their role.

If you have any questions, get in touch with your local Leader to put your mind at ease.





# Skills for life

Scouting is more than just having fun: Beaver Scouts learn skills that are essential to their personal development and reaching their full potential.

As well as developing a range of practical skills, your child will have the chance to develop skills such as:



# **Get involved!**

Scouting is for adults too! We believe in flexible volunteering and offer a number of volunteer roles to suit a range of skills.

### Interested?

Speak to your local Leader to ask about the different roles available. How much time you give is completely up to you. Whether you help out once a fortnight, month, term or just at special events or camps, there is bound to be a role you can play.

# **Build on your skills**

Scouting offers the chance for you to build on personal skills like teamwork, confidence and leadership.

To find out how you can volunteer visit

scouts.org.uk/get-involved



# For more information

Contact your local Leader directly or visit the Scouts website:

scouts.org.uk/parents

You can also call the Scout Information Centre on **0345 300 1818** (local rate)

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