



GROUP NEWS

December 2018



Christmas Fair



Tombola	Bathroom Stall	Cakes
Competitions	Toys	Raffle
Hot Dogs	Refreshments	Games
Father Christmas	Mulled Wine	Santa's Grotto

Sunday 2nd December 12noon-3pm

Proceeds in aid of Christmas Parcels for the Elderly and Scout Funds

Please Support your Scout Group

Used Postage Stamp

Reminder, Tarka (Barry Palmer) is collecting used postage stamps.

Please save your postage stamps for us.

Then either put them through the Scout Hall letter box, or drop them off at your child's section meeting.

Thank you goes to everyone who has dropped off stamps to us.



New Year's Day - Morning Walk

The annual PG New Year's Morning Walk will take place around the local area.

Date: **Tuesday** 1st January 2019.

Time: 10.30 a.m. at Pinkneys Green Cricket Pitch N.T. Car Park, to approx. 12 noon.

PG – ONLINE SHOPPING

Our online shopping we use *easyfunding*.

We need your support; it is quite simple to access our online web shop, enter the address <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> and "Pinkneys Green Scouts" as the cause.

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Pinkneys Green Scout Group

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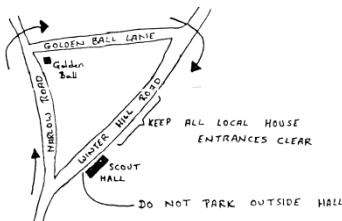


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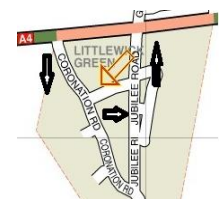
YOUNGSTERS SAFETY DROPPING OFF TO MEETINGS

PINKNEYS GREEN - Scout Hall Winter Hill Road - *Can we remind Parents to operate a One Way System when dropping off or collecting your youngster(s) from Beavers on Monday evenings, Cubs on Wednesday evenings or Scouts on Friday evenings, also please don't turn your cars around in our neighbours driveways and **DON'T PARK or PICK UP where the WHITE LINES are outside the hall.***

Please **Don't** park in the drive way of Flint Lodge, Christmas Cottage or Pond House.

LITTLEWICK GREEN - Gilchrist Village Hall - can we also remind parents dropping off and picking up **Do not park in Gilchrist Way** as this is strictly reserved for residents.

We ask parents to please park a little further down on Jubilee Road or on Coronation Road and walk up; you may need a torch! **Please ask your Child's leader** if you are not sure.



Thank you for your support in keeping our neighbours Happy.

Christingle (Carol) Service



We are holding a Carol Service on
Sunday 9th December 2018 at 3.50pm
at our local Church St. James the Less at Stubbings.

All Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers,
parents, brothers, sisters, friends etc. are invited to join
us at this Special Service

Tea will be served afterwards in the Soltau Centre



Remembrance Sunday Services

It was good to see all PG members and their families at this years Remembrance Sunday Services.

This year 11th November fell on a Sunday exactly 100 years since the end of World War One.



Pinkneys Green Scout Group along with parents and families attended the annual Remembrance Day Parades.

Littlewick Green Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and Young Leaders attended for the first time attend the service at St John the Evangelist in Littlewick Green.

Winter Hill Beavers Cubs and Scouts and Young Leaders attended the service at St James the Less in Stubbings.



PG Christmas Trees

We have sold about 140 trees. The expected profit for the Group is approximately £3,700!

Does anyone have a tow bar or van and can help to deliver our trees on Saturday 8th December in the morning? The Trees are to be delivered in the Maidenhead / Littlewick / Cookham area.

We also need helpers to go with the drivers, it will be all finished by lunchtime at the latest. If you can help, please let **Erica Hunter** or your Childs leader know.

A special Thank you goes to **Peta & Charlie Almond** for coordinating this fundraising event.



Supermarket Crates

We are looking for supermarket crates, like the ones used for home deliveries.

We want to use these plastic storage boxes to store equipment on our new shelving. They can also be stacked on top of each other, which makes the use of the shelving a lot more productive. If you have any to spare or know where we can buy them for a reasonable price please email **Simon**.



BEAVER NEWS

Littlewick Colony

Littlewick Beavers Halloween night. Very impressed with all of the costumes a great effort. They played some traditional Halloween games as well as musical statues.

Some of the Beavers also attended the Special 100 year years Remembrance Sunday Services at Littlewick Church.

Winter Hill Colony

This month, the Beavers have been busy once again with lots of activities earning them many badges. They thoroughly enjoyed the Halloween party put on by the Scouts; they did the traditional apple bobbing, musical statues and had some lovely food. There were also some amazing fancy dress costumes.

The Beavers learnt about Guy Fawkes and drew some lovely firework pictures using chalk and black card. The Beavers got really creative with different colours and techniques of blending the colours.

The theme for the following week was France. The Beavers talked about the different ways you can get to France and some of the different types of food. They then played a game in French and even learnt a song and shared some words and phrases they knew.



The Beavers still have lots of badges to earn this term, like the personal challenge, animal friend and photographer badges when they will be getting creative and the cyclist badge where they will be learning about cycle safety, how to pump up tyres and wear a helmet properly.

Tic Tac (Tom Beynon)

CUB NEWS

Winter Hill Pack

Four cubs attended the Remembrance service at Stubbings Church this month, thank you for attending and representing the pack. Thanks to *Poppy Broadbent* for carrying the flag and *Euan Parsons* for laying the Poppy wreath.



During half term, the scouts organised a Halloween party that was enjoyed by all. They had to bring something in a bag to scare a leader, which I understand went down well! Thank you to *Simon* and the scouts for organising this.

At our weekly meetings, we completed Digital Maker Badge as well as making candle holders for the Christmas Fair.

Three cubs worked together to sell poppies in Windsor on Saturday 3rd November and did a great job. They were brilliant at asking members of the public for money! *Euan Parsons, Zach Evans* and *Edward Coppins*.

The following Wednesday, the cubs made poppies which were then made into the wreath which was laid on Remembrance Sunday. The cubs had to sew a running stitch around a circle of material followed by sewing a button on to keep it all in place. The end result was very impressive – thank you to *Raksha* for putting the poppies together!

The next few weeks are busy as usual, with an evening chocolate making, carol singing and the trip to the pantomime.

Many cubs enjoyed the fun activities of JOTA/JOTI and completed the activities needed or their communicator badges. Many thanks to *Simon* and the team for organising this event.

I have reminded the cubs that if they would like to work towards a particular badge; just let us know and we can test the requirements. Also, if a cub takes part in a swimming club or learns a musical instrument – just ask the swimming/music teachers to look at the badge requirements and sign to say these have been achieved. We do cover a lot of the badge requirements at our weekly meetings and at camps but some badges cannot be covered in this way.



WH Akela (*Rob Harris*)



Cub Halloween Party

During half term Winter Hill Scouts organised a Halloween Party for both Packs.

The games the Scouts ran included apple bobbing, smarties hidden in flour, doughnuts hanging across the hall as well as some musical games.

The standard of the costumes was very high. Well done to the Cubs.

Littlewick Pack

During half term some of us went to Winter Hill for a fun Halloween party put on for us every year by Winter Hill Scouts, thank you Scouts !!!

Before November 5th we looked at personal safety, including firework safety. Three of our older cubs acted out a firework display while the rest pointed out the safe and unsafe ways in which they were handling fireworks.

On Sunday 11th our Littlewick sections took part in Remembrance at St John the Evangelist in Littlewick Green. It's the first time we've attended St John's and we were very warmly welcomed by the church and village. About half the Pack turned out, with 20 young people across all three sections, thank you to all our Cubs and their families that came along to show their respect & represent our Pack.



We have taken part in UK Parliament week, discussing democracy and the role of government. Having voted on issues decided upon by the Cubs we created a mock House of Commons and ended with a very lively debate. The following week we celebrated *Diwali*. *Jaya* (*Yajat's* mum) came along to explain the story of Diwali and very kindly brought some Diya lamps and Rangolis for the Cubs to decorate and take home. Thank you *Jaya* !!!

This year we are again sponsoring a tree at St Luke's Church and will be creating decorations to go on the tree. There are activities and opportunities to visit the trees from the 7th-9th December, full details can be found at <http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk/>

We end the year with a visit to St Mark's BUPA care home where we will again be singing carols for the residents and handing out cards made by the Cubs. St Mark's on the 5th December will be our last meeting of the year.

We would like to thank all our parents that have helped throughout the year and wish you all a very happy Christmas.

LG Akela (*Pete Matthews*)



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SCOUT NEWS

TOMBOLA - The Scouts have are running the tombola's again this year at Fair on Sunday 2nd December **We are urgently looking for items to be donated, which are suitable for a Tombola stall.** If every LG & WH Scout donates five or six items, we should have a successful stall. Any LG or WH Scout, who wishes to help at the Tombola, please let Simon know and wear Scout Uniform.

District Swimming Gala - This District Swimming Gala will take part at the Magnet on Saturday 19th January 2019, 5.45pm. Any Scout / Young Leader who wishes to take part, please contact **Barry Palmer Mhd 620655.**

Aladdin - January we will be holding auditions for PG's 2019 Easter Pantomime **Aladdin.** If any Scout would like to see a copy of the Script, please contact your leader.

Littlewick Troop



Our first meeting after half term was carving pumpkins for Hallowe'en. After some vigorous coring and carving of faces the pumpkins were displayed with candles inside. During tidying up we then discovered that

pumpkin seeds behave like pine needles and get absolutely everywhere! The following meeting had a Diwali theme. The scouts made and then decorated Diya (oil lamps).

On the 11th November some of our scouts and leaders attended the



Remembrance Service at St John The Evangelist Church in Littlewick Green. This service was particularly significant because it marked 100 years since the armistice which ended the First World War.

In our most recent meeting we went for a night hike. The route was from the Scout Hall on Pinkneys Green to The Cricketers in Littlewick Green via Burchett's Green. So quite a lot of Greens ticked off in one night. We were joined by local Instagram celebrity Polo the dog. As well as some exercise it is hoped the scouts learnt the lesson of what is appropriate footwear for autumn, via experience. The hike finished at The Cricketers pub which provided us with some bowls of chips as a reward for completion.

LG Scout Section Assistant (Mark Courtier)

Winterhill Troop

We have had a busy few weeks, the Scouts have run Halloween parties for both Cub packs and Winterhill Beavers, plus during half term had their own Halloween evening. On the Scouting front they have completed the Navigation badge, had a Sewing evening and attended the Remembrance Sunday service at Stubbings.

We entered two teams in to the District Night Hike where they joined 200 other Scouts & adults from Troops around Maidenhead. Thank you goes to *Alan Rawlins* and *Richard Stevenson* for walking with the Scouts.



We have a busy month coming up with District Quiz Friday 30 November, we looking for Scouts to take part; a backwoods cooking weekend, older Scouts will be preparing, cooking and eating locally caught game; a mystery trip; a Troop Dinner, plus a visit to see Maidenhead Pantomime *Sleeping Beauty* at the Town Hall.

We will continue to meet through the Christmas holidays for those Scouts who are not away, as Christmas Day and New Year's Day don't fall on a Friday we will continue to hold Troop Meetings.



WH Scout Leader (Simon Wheeler)

WE WISH ALL OUR READERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ALL P.G. SCOUTER'S

& THE PG TIPS PRODUCTION TEAM

