



Flagstaff Hill Scout Group



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Warriparri Cub Pack - Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Families

Welcome back to Warriparri Cubs for another term. We're looking forward to a fun term ahead with a great range of activities planned. Throughout the term Cubs will be working towards the requirements of the Level 2 Cooking badge which we hope everyone is able to achieve by the end of the term.

Parent Helpers required

As you can imagine trying to run a cooking program with a large Cub Pack is going to have its challenges. We are after a few parent helpers to come along on a few nights this term to ensure this runs as smooth as possible. If you are able to help on any of the following nights please let Chris know!

Tues 9 May: 3 parents required (Dads please so we don't spoil the Mother's Day surprise!)

Tues 30 May: 2 parents required to help with cooking

Tues 13 June: 4 parents required to assist with cooking/preparing a cake/slice/dessert

Tues 27 June: 3 parents required to assist with cooking/preparing

Group Activities for Term 2

There are a few Group activities coming up this term which are indicated on the program in purple. Information about these activities is available on the Group calendar as well

- 13/14 May - Family Camp for everyone to come along to and enjoy a relaxing, fun social weekend
- 21 May - Group Working Bee to keep our hall looking great
- 24 June - Car Rally combined with Prospect Hill Scout Group

23 – 25 June: Woodhouse Camp

We will be holding a camp this term at Woodhouse Activity Centre (our Scout Campsite) from Friday 23 June through to Sunday 25 June. Accommodation for this activity will be in a bunkhouse (dormitory) and we're putting together a range of activities to have a fun weekend!

We will require a couple of parents to help out on this camp as Cooks – if you are able to assist please let Chris know!

Caremonkey

By now everyone should have received an invite to create a profile for your child on Caremonkey. This Health & Safety software is designed to make life easier for all of us – having medical and emergency contact information up to date and available to Leaders so we can keep your child safe. We are also utilising the permission form aspect of the system which will mean we don't need to have Y4 forms completed for every activity we do.

Parents will give permission for activities through the system as well which will streamline our processes across the board ☺ If you haven't yet created your profile please do so ASAP.

Completing Badgework

The Cub Scout Record book (the yellow book) contain all of the requirements for the various badges that a Cub Scout can earn.

There are two main elements to the Cub Scout Award Scheme

- Boomerang Badges (Bronze, Silver and Gold)
- Achievement Badges (Achievement and Special Interest)

During the term we cover a wide range of aspects of Badgework mainly focussed on the boomerang levels. The achievement badges are more designed as activities that can be done outside of Cubs and more related to interests of your child.

Boomerang Badges

Cubs should work through and be achieving Boomerangs about once every 12 months in line with their age/ability. For example, 8 year olds should be working on Bronze, 9 year olds on Silver and 10 year olds on Gold. Cubs can start at any level (so if you join when you are 9 you start at Silver).

The Leaders keep a record of progress through the Boomerang awards and present these once completed.

Achievement Badges

From time to time we work on these as a Cub Pack (i.e. our current term focussed on Level 2 cooking). In general, these badges can be completed outside of Cubs though. Level 1 badges require a reasonably basic understanding and effort and for Level 2 badges there is obviously a bit more effort and understanding required.

- Cubs do not have to achieve their Level 1 before their Level 2
- Achievement badges can be signed off by a 3rd party (i.e. a Swimming teacher, music teacher or similar for the relevant badges)
- A Cubs work can be brought into the Cub Pack meeting to talk to a Leader about however prior warning allows us to set aside some time (as our Cub Pack meetings are usually pretty full on)

The Grey Wolf Award

The Grey Wolf Award is the highest award that a Cub Scout can achieve. The award requires participation in the Cub program, achievement of a certain set of badges and some extra tasks (develop a resource, plan and lead a hike etc.) The Leaders will work with Cubs to achieve the Grey Wolf if they are interested in achieving it.

The Cub Scout Award scheme is designed to be an individual effort and done to the best ability of each of our members. Where some may find everything very simple and easy to achieve there may also be some Cubs who do struggle and are unable to meet every single criteria. Leaders will work to ensure Cubs are achieving to the best of their abilities when working through any of the badges outlined above.

Thanks once again for your support!

Chris, Paul, Monique, Catherine and Julia
Warriparri Cub Pack Leader team