



GROUP NEWS

We have our Summer Fair at the end of June. We really need your support; it will be great to see you on the day, (either helping or just supporting the group).

Our Family Camp Date - Friday 11th - Sunday 13th September 2026.





SUMMER FAIR

Sunday 28th June 2026

12noon onwards

On *Pinkneys Green*, Pinkneys Road SL6 5DN opposite Clarefield Drive

Don't miss the fun!

Side Shows, Beer & Pimms Tent, Tombola, Plant Stall, BBQ, Teas & Cake tent, Bouncy Castle, Book Stall

Fun Dog Show

at 3.00pm

Registration from 2.30pm

Plus many more attractions






OUR SUMMER FAIR - HELP REQUIRED

We need your help with:



- **Tombola Items** Unwanted presents, wine, beer, toiletries, stationery, canned drinks, foods and any other spare items for the **Tombola** – *please drop off all alcohol directly to the leader. Food & Drink to be inside Best Before date of the 29th of June.*
- **Soft toys** – soft toy tombola - *All Soft Toys must be machine washed please before we can use them.*
- **Toys** – good as new and complete for Toy stall.
- Bake (or buy) a Cake and bring it on the day.
- Please save any plants which you or neighbours are splitting, or any extra seedlings left over for the **Plant stall**.
- **Books** New and Second hand for the **Book Stall**



We really need **volunteers** to make the Fair a success. **Please help for just 90 mins**, either setting up on **Saturday 27th, Morning 10.30am** or afternoon **2pm**, during the Fair or to clear up afterwards on **Sunday 28th 4.00pm - 5.30pm**.

Anyone willing to help, set up, during the fair on a stall or side shows, signup sheet <https://volunteersignup.org/MMYL4>

Parents – Summer Fair

All members will be receiving via their child's section meetings

- **A3 Poster** advertising the Fair – When you receive a poster, please put it up where it can be seen from the road.
- If anyone can put one up in a local shop / school / work, please collect another poster from Scout Hall.
- **Plastic Cup** with 3 books raffle tickets. Please return the **Cup** to your child's meeting with sweets in it for the sweet tombola.
- **Raffle Tickets** – either return the stubs of the tickets you have sold to your child's meeting or any unsold tickets so we can sell them on the day at the fair or for parent who requires more tickets.
- **Crockery** for the Crockery smash game



Parents – URGENT Volunteers to Clean this Hall This Term



A big thank you goes to all the parents who have signed up to clean the hall this term.

We are looking to fill a few slots: **.4 or 5 June, 24-26 June, 22-25 July**, then autumn term from **16 September**, if possible, on a Thursdays before 5pm after 6pm) and Fridays before 5pm.

To clean the hall, toilet area and kitchen area and a quick sweep over the main hall floor, wash the kitchen, Mitchell room and toilet floors. If you can spare approx. 45 minutes, time to suit you, please complete our online form <https://volunteersignup.org/9WYRT>

Old Tyre Inner Tubes

URGENT – We are looking for old Tyre Inner Tubes that we can cut up and put round a set of tent poles.

If you have to get a puncter repaired or know of a Tyre company, can you pop in and ask if they have any old Car Inner Tubes. We are struggling finding any as not many Car Tyres have an inner tube in them


A set of 7 round poles are a challenge to keep together if you tie them up with rope, and we are losing the odd pole. The Cubs & Scouts can't get the knots tight enough to hold the poles together

If you manage to get any, please leave them at the Scout Hall.



12 Volt Batteries

Thank you goes to *Geoff Meadows*, whose company *F M S Facilities Management Services Ltd*, donated us leisure batteries to use at camp.




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SQUIRREL NEWS

Littlewick Drey

The Squirrels have been enjoying being outside, we did a Hike from shire Horse Pub to Littlewick which they all really enjoyed. We also went on a Bug hunt in the village, it wasn't a very warm evening so many were hiding but they did find a bug in some tree bark.

We also presented *Henry* with his Acorn award as he moves up to Beavers after half term.

Baloo, Littlewick Green (Erica Hunter)



Winter Hill Drey

As the summer term began, the Squirrels started with an evening of planting. They learnt what plants need to grow before planting radish and sunflower seeds.



The following week, the Squirrels headed out into the woods for a bug hunt. They discovered worms, woodlice, centipedes, and snails.

The Squirrels also worked towards their community impact badge by taking part in a litter pick around the local area. Unfortunately, we got caught in the rain, but it didn't dampen their enthusiasm.

Finally the Squirrels enjoyed a creative evening using air-dry clay. They created faces, monsters, trolls, and other imaginative designs before decorating them with natural "wild art" collected from the green.

Tic Tac, Winter Hill (Tom Beynon)

BEAVER NEWS

Littlewick Colony

May has been a busy month for the Beavers, starting with us conducting our own experiment to learn how to make super quick Ice Cream at the hall, the amount of bag shaking determined how well the cream was set by the end of



the night, so some were more successful than others!

We then spent time learning about many endangered animals in our world, with the Beavers picking their favourites and then casting their prints in clay.

Finally, we went on an exciting train trip to Bourne End and earned our safety badges learning about being safe around trains and celebrated birthday for both Malak and Sunshine!

Malak, Littlewick (Phil Franzen)

Winter Hill Colony

As the summer term began, the Beavers enjoyed an evening of planting. They planted hanging baskets to help spruce up the Scout Hall.

The Beavers also finished off their knot work by learning square lashings before having a run around in the woods.

In the final week of the month, the Beavers headed back into the woods for a leaf and bug hunt.



Tic Tac, Winter Hill (Tom Beynon)

CUB NEWS

Littlewick Pack

The Littlewick Cubs had an amazing time demonstrating their skills and getting to know each other and their interests better during their talent show. The skills on show were incredible and so varied. We had a drummer, pianist, authors, artists/illustrators, ventriloquist, comedians, magician, crafters, builders, gymnasts, singers and dancers. It was incredible to see and very inspiring to all. Our older Cubs then helped planned our upcoming Cub Camp, whilst our younger members voices were heard during their pack forum.



Littlewick Green Cubs have had a wonderful time earning and receiving their badges over the last few weeks, including three Silver awards!

Congratulations *Eva, Ted* and *Tommy*.

The Cubs did a wonderful job earning the maintenance part of their cyclist badge, changing tyres, fixing punctures and discussing safety. We practiced our emergency aid, learning essential life skills with bandaging and Dr ABC. We then focused on Mental Health week looking at healthy lifestyles. The young people made breathing buddies and tried yoga to help them, followed by trying some new food with healthy eating. The Cubs then took on the leaders with a blind ice cream flavour tasting challenge! Which we will complete in the coming weeks. We then finished the term with a sponsored hike, where the Cubs smashed their target!

The Littlewick Green Cubs also showed an amazing display of teamwork with their recent participation in the district JOTT. An amazing event where the joint effort of *Ted, Molly, Oscar* and *Harvey* earned them joint first place! Amazing work and congratulations!



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for further information

RIAT Unfortunately, due to the current state of affairs in the Middle East and American utilisation of RAF Fairford it has been announced that **RIAT26** is cancelled. We are incredibly disappointed ourselves and can appreciate the ripple affect and upset it will cause. So we extend our sincerest apologies to everyone affected. Money towards fundraising and taken as payment for the coach will be refunded. Please be patient whilst we work our way through this. We have records of everyone's payments and we will get your money back to you.

In the meantime we will look into a different trip on a different date (not during term time). Those who were signed up to **RIAT26** will be given priority places. And we will send information out accordingly

Kaa, Littlewick Green (Sam Lewis)

Winter Hill Pack

A mini Incident hike for the Winter Hill Cubs involving map ready, navigation and team work over Malders lane and Hindhay Farm. Enjoying the great outdoors together.

Next was outdoor pioneering where Cubs worked in groups to build Viking catapults. First team to launch a tennis ball into the bucket declared the winner. But great problem solving, team work and fun outside with something new.



Four Cubs, *Bruce, Jasper, Oliver* and *Thomas* represented Winter Hill at the Jamboree on the trail. A 9km walk around Cookham where the team worked really well together and had a great time. The time spent together achieving and trying new things is always the best part. We enjoyed ourselves and although we missed the last base due to timings we really enjoyed the event.

Personal safety having to recall their parents phone number, discussing online safety and as always games together including a new matching different pieces of wood off cuts against other sixes to keep their minds in gear!

Akela, Winter Hill (Matt Bolton)

SCOUT NEWS

Troop Camp

In May, 58 Scouts and Young Leaders from Winter Hill and Littlewick Green attended Troop Camp just outside Henley. Over a busy weekend, the Scouts did archery, air rifle shooting, axe-work, and had a campfire on the Saturday night, amongst other activities, despite a rainy Saturday afternoon. The Scouts cooked all their meals over wood fires, including some very impressive three course meals for cooking competition. There was another unexpected guest this year, this time in the shape of a large hot air balloon dramatically coming through the trees, and landing in the field. It touched down right next to the archery (though not because of any stray arrows!). Some of the scouts got a chance to climb into the basket.



Well done to the PLs, who all did an excellent job, and to the Young Leaders for supporting the patrols. There was a hard-fought camp competition between the patrols, with very high-quality inspections, including some excellent cooking (and just as importantly the washing up!). A particular congratulations to Tiger Sharks and PL *Reuben Cranch* who came first in the overall camp competition.

Thank you to *Ian Miller* for driving the lorry, *Matthew Milston* for running the archery, *James Woodward & Darran Cottington* for organising the air rifle shooting, and the judges for the cooking competition, *Tom Beynon* and *Rob Harris*. Thank you to *Simon Wheeler* for organising the camp, and to all the leaders who helped over the weekend: *BoB Weingarh, James Pagliero, Mark Courtier, Matthew Milston, Nick Conacher, Myles Rankin and Barry Palmer*. A big thank you also goes to all the Scouts, YLs and parents who helped, load the lorry, and set up camp on the Thursday night,

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Photos on: <https://pgscouts.photos/index.php?/category/215>

Plus, Scouts Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/pgscouts>

Troop Camp Cooking Competition

It was a pleasure to be invited to visit Troop Camp to judge the cooking competition again this year. The scouts were tasked with cooking a three-course meal on their wood fires, as a patrol. It's always great to see the scouts working together as a team to prepare the meal and then eat together. The main courses varied from Spaghetti puttanesca to sausage meatballs and desserts included apple crumble and cheesecake. The scouts overcame some minor disasters (including tasting chilli flakes and some out of date cream) to achieve tasty meals.



It's always a struggle to spend the afternoon eating 6 three-course meals but we managed it. Judging includes looking at the menu creativity, meal balance, and general presentation. Well done to *Reuben* and the rest of the Tiger Shark patrol for winning the competition.

Rob Harris



Orienteering Results

Course 1

Fastest: *Max, Zach and Zach* in 15 mins, 45 seconds

Runner up: *William* in 19 min 51 seconds

Course 2

Fastest: *Simran and Astri* 23 minutes 51 seconds

Runners Up: *Theo H, Nathan and Nathan* in 37 Minutes 56 Seconds

Camp Competition Results

1st **Tiger** - PL *Reuben* - 572

2nd **Basking** - PL *Edie* - 571

3rd **Great White** - PL *Nathan* - 565

4th **Reef** - PL *Will* - 523

5th **Megalodon** - PL *Theo* - 505

6th **Hammerhead** - PL *Varsha* - 494

The PLs choose the Patrol Names, as their Patrol were a mixture of *Littlewick* and *Winter Hill* Scouts - They Patrol names are all **Sharks**

ALL SCOUTS - We Need Your Help at Our Summer Fair

As usual, the Scouts from *Littlewick* and *Winter Hill* Troops are running the Tombola again this year, at the Summer Fair, on Sunday 28 June.

We need help from all the Scouts and Young leaders with running it (Shifts of an hour from 12noon to 4pm, plus help setting it up on Sunday morning)

We cannot run this stall without Scout's help, please sign up on our online Scout Tombola form.

To make this a stall a success (last year we raised over £1,000 on the Tombola's) we are asking every Scout and Young leader to **donate 6 or 7 items suitable for the Tombola**. Gifts: unused small household items, Food (still in-date), e.g. bottles, tins, cans, jars, packets, sweets or chocolates.

Please send any donations to Scout Hall in a bag labelled Tombola & Scouts name.



Littlewick Troop

We have been making the most of the Green and the woods recently, with a run of great weather. For one meeting the scouts split into small groups and lit fires before cooking marshmallows. The next meeting was split in two. First the scouts pitched all of the toilet tents to check they were in good condition for Troop Camp. Once that was



complete we went into the woods to play some games.

For our most recent meeting we hiked in the local area and looked for Geocaches. It turns out there are quite a few near the hall. One group found 3 and the other found 5. It was good fun trying to find the tiny caches.

In this run of meetings we have also invested and welcomed *Ivan*.

Scout Leader Littlewick (*Mark Courtier*)

Winter Hill Troop

We started last month with the Scouts sorting out the equipment they would be taking to camp, with the PLs sorting out all the equipment they needed. The following week the scouts did tent pitching, in groups of four.

The week after camp, the Scouts sorted out all the equipment, they even graded the pegs by size and through away about 25 broken ones.



Meeting during half term, first meeting was for the Scouts and we had some team games on the green. The following week they had a wide game in the woods.

Scout Leader Winter Hill (*Simon Wheeler*)

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