



GROUP NEWS

August 2022



After a busy summer term, the summer holidays will give us all a break, from our normal routine. The Scout are away camping near Watlington and enjoying the hot dry weather we are having. They have a busy programme of activities. All the other Sections are taking a break till September. Which will start off with a busy programme of activities and events. Littlewick Cubs will be holding there Cub camp and the group will be having our Family Picnic, plus on 24th September, our first Jumble Sale for 2 years, which we need your help and support.

Enjoy your Summer Holiday Break.

PG Family Picnic (& AGM) Chance to get together

Bring your own food, rugs/chairs!

ALL WELCOME!

When: Sunday 18 September 2022

Time: 2pm to 4pm

Place: Green opposite our Scout Hall in Winter Hall Road SL6 6NS

Please follow our one way system and park on the green.



SAFELY 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 son(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 Drive Slowly down Golden Ball Lane below 20mph Speed Limit

Park on the Scout Hall side of the road facing Furze Platt Road, parking lights on when its dark. **Don't Park** in the drive ways 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 Childs leader** if you are not sure.

Thank you for your support in keeping our neighbours Happy.

PLEASE HELP US TO BE GOOD NEIGHBOURS DO NOT PARK ACROSS OUR NEIGHBOURS' DRIVEWAYS



BURCHETTS GREEN PARISH – SUNDAY SERVICE ROTA



August 2022

Week	<u>St Mary the Virgin,</u> <u>Hurley</u>	<u>St James the Less,</u> <u>Stubbings</u>	<u>St John the Evangelist,</u> Littlewick Green
Week 1 Sunday 7 th August 2022			9.15am Parish Communion
Week 2 Sunday 14 th August 2022	10.30am Parish Communion		
Week 3 Sunday 21 st August 2022			9.15am Parish Communion
Week 4 Sunday 28 th August 2022		11:00am Parish Communion (BCP)	

SQUIRREL NEWS

<u>Littlewick Drey</u>

During July we had a treasure hunt and explored the village, we looked at the wild flowers on the lower green and hunted for 4 leaf clovers, hunted for pigs and cows and made a wish in the well.

We completed our Go Wild badge learning all about Butterflies, where they live, how they eat and made a butterfly feeder with nectar to hang in the Squirrels gardens.

We have now finished for the summer back in September

Group Scout Leader (Erica Hunter)



Winter Hill Drey

The squirrels had a busy end to the term. This month we had an evening all about going on an adventure. We spoke about what you would need to back in your bag and how to use a compass. We then got out onto the green and had a go at finding different points on the compass. One evening when we couldn't get outside as it was raining so we made dens inside. The squirrels used a parachute, tables and chairs to construct it. They created a tunnel in it which they enjoyed crawling through. We then finished with our story inside the den.

The following week we were able to get on the green and do some cooking using a fire pit. The squirrels made twists (basic bread with flour and water) with jam and toasted marshmallows. We also spoke about what a fire needs to survive and different ways you can build one.

The final meeting of the term we go out into the woods and continued out them of dens and shelters. The squirrels made a den out of natural material. The squirrels collected sticks and leaves to construct their shelter. They worked well as a team and thoroughly enjoy it. Have a great summer.





BEAVER NEWS

Littlewick Colony

A lovely close for the summer-the Beavers and parents kayaking on Taplow lake-phase 2. And activities/quiz in the hall for the other half of our group-to avoid the crazy temperatures!

Not great pictures (my mum was in charge!).

Thank you Beavers, parents, Assistant and Young Leaders - we are lucky to have such a fantastic colony.

Enjoy your summers and we will meet back in September

Rainbow Littlewick (Sarah Brodie),



Winter Hill Colony

We had a visit from some scouts who lead an evening on tent pitching. We had two groups working together to see who could pitch quickest. We then played a few games inside the tents.

The following week we went to Courthouse school and we used the playground. There the beavers worked towards their cyclist badge. The beavers learnt how to pump up a tyre and general bike maintenance. Also how to ride on the road safely. We mocked up a road and the beavers learnt how to signal and turn properly.



The final evening of the term the Beavers got into the woods and built dens and shelters. They worked in small groups and created lots of different types. Then we headed back to the hall and swam up the older beavers, some who went on to cubs. We hope you all have a great summer. See you in September

Tic Tac Winter Hill (Tom Beynon)

SCOUT NEWS

SUMMER CAMP

Forty Eight Members of PG, are currently camping near Watlington in Oxfordshire.

The Scouts will have a busy programme of activities, which include archery, climbing, hiking rafting, shooting, and swimming pool as well as activities on site and the normal PG camping activities.

Special Thank you goes to the leaders who managed to get time off work and to the parents who have helped us get away.

Photos are being updated while the Scouts are at camp, on PG's web site <u>www.pgscouts.org.uk</u> Full report in Septembers PG Tips.





<u>Littlewick Troop</u>

We finished the summer term with three really enjoyable meetings. The first was an activity suggested by a few of the scouts which was building chairs. The scouts split into small groups and used fallen wood from the woods along with poles and rope for the scout hut to construct the chairs. Various designs were dreamed up, including two sedan chairs. I was then the judge and marked the chairs on style, comfort and quality of construction.

The meeting after this was a challenge, again in small groups, to build stretchers to carry one of the scouts around a course. Design complexity varied quite significantly. At this meeting we also invested and welcome to the troop *Jackson Knott* and *Finlay Paterson*.

The final meeting was stand up paddle boarding at Taplow Lake. This is always a fun meeting but this year it was right in the middle of the heat wave, so by the evening it was perfect conditions to go for a paddle and fall in. Which I gather basically everyone managed to achieve!



With that the term is over and we will be having a break until the 5th September. Many thanks to everyone who has helped us this term, in particular *Peter Marshall* and *Ben Almond*

Scout Leader Littlewick (*Mark Courtier*)

Winter Hill Troop

The end of the summer term has been busy with getting ready for Summer camp, the other activities we have been taking part in include mapping / hike evening organised by our Scouter *James Ashe* who working as a teacher in Costa Rica.

Beaver Meetings A big thank you goes to the Scouts and Young leaders who helped run a special Beaver meetings in July for Winter Hill colony. The Scouts had to show the Beavers how to put up two patrol tents. It was a challenge with the Beavers & mallets knocking in the pegs in to very solid ground. Once the tents were pitched the Beavers were told a story about camping.

New Scouts - We would like to welcome *Alfie Booth* and *Bertie Cox* and their families to the Troop. They have both made their Scout promises and been invested as Scouts.



Summer Holidays - As normal, Scouts will continue to meet during the School Summer Holidays. We hope to be arranging some activities - Friday evening 6.45pm - 9.00pm -. Don't forget to check your emails on a Thursday for any changes. *Have a good Summer Holidays*.

Scout Leader Winter Hill (Simon Wheeler)