

## Cub News Spring 2011

During February we continued our work on the Communicator badge learning how to take messages carefully and follow instructions we made Peter Pan and Samurai hats in Origami.

On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb a group of Cubs attended an indoor Canoe Taster run by WGSCA at Guinea Gap baths and had a great time. The following Monday we completed the Posters for the District competition and had an interesting talk about amateur radio and walkie talkies from Vic an old Scout and Venture Leader from our Group.

We had a break for half term and during the weekend of 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> we took a group of Cubs to the Wirral Scout and Guide Theatre Group's Treasure Island on the Saturday and then another group of Cubs represented the pack at the District Swimming Gala where we came a very creditable 5<sup>th</sup> from the 15 packs that took part, well done to the Cubs who swam so well, special mention to Dan Cooke who came second in the under 11 freestyle so is officially the second fastest Cub on the Wirral !

At the end of Feb we visited the Kailash Buddhist Centre in Prenton, I have to say it was the most peaceful, tranquil Cub night I have ever been to ! all the Cubs quietly meditating absolutely wonderful !



Early in March we had a visit from Chris Hughes the ACC Scouts and he is also the Merseyside Contingent Unit Leader for the Jamboree in Sweden this summer, he brought with him two Explorers, brothers Aaron and James who are also part of Unit. They told us all about the training they have done so far for the Jamboree and what they are going to be up to as well as the Jamboree itself in the summer. It will certainly be an experience of a lifetime for all those involved and we have asked them to

come back maybe in the autumn to tell us all about their Jamboree experiences.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> March we held our Comic Relief night all the Cubs, yes all of them attended in fancy dress and we has some fantastic outfits, see below, the Cubs paid to wear their fancy dress, bought cakes and learned how to Street Dance with Sarah Jayne a local dance teacher from Irby. We had a really enjoyable evening and raised £180 - fantastic !



During that week also Grey Six attended the District Poster Competition final there is another article and picture of those able to attend and represent Grey Six elsewhere.



The next Monday in March was World Water Day and our Young Leader Matty put together a programme for us based on cleaning and purifying water, which we did through a series of filters and then boiling the water to make it safe to drink (although it still didn't look too nice !)

The final week in March we made Mother's Day cards and gifts - hope the Mum's all liked them - one Mum did tell me that her son lost his (hid it so carefully he couldn't remember where) and found it the day after Mother's day itself - better late than never and she was thrilled !

Two more weeks to go before the Easter hols, very late in April making it a really long term, we had a visit from two gents from the International Knots Guild (one affectionately known as Mr Woggle - a Scouter then !)

The final week before the hols we went to Williamson Tunnels in Liverpool a truly fascinating evening, highly recommended if you haven't been. At the end of a really interesting explore through the tunnels that are open we invested Ben and Joe in the old stable yard, we like to be different and invest the Cubs somewhere they should always remember.



During the Easter holidays we had two more outings, the first to RAF Cosford where 11 Cubs had a really good day out and were able to gain their Air Activity badge. Finally, 13 Cubs turned out for the annual District St George's Day Parade in West Kirby. Phew what a busy term !

