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Storm, what storm! Scouts to become meteorologists

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Andy on World Tour

Will Summer Camp be in Bejing?

Due to work commitments Andy is overseas for a number of weeks over the coming months. Scouts will continue as normal in his absence.

P.S. Summer Camp is at Kibblestone International Scout Camp in Staffordshire (<u>www.kibblestone.org</u>) not Bejing!.

Camping Opportunities for Scouts 2013

- 22nd to 24th March Great Escape @ Tawd Vale.
- 12th to 14th April Beavan Competition @ Sandiways Camp
- 4th to 5th May Group
 Camp @ The Scout Hut
- 10th to 12th May Bala Canoe Camp.
- 7th to 9th June Wild West Camp @ Hadlow Fields
- 27th July to 3rg August Summer Camp @ Kibblestone ISC, Staffordshire

Forecast for Fog Lifting and Clear Understanding of Weather.

Over the next few weeks the Scouts will be working towards the Meteorologist Badge. Part of the reason for looking at the Meteorologist Badge is that as Scouts they need to understand how the weather impacts on some of their outdoor activities and what they need to do to think about when planning expeditions.

As part of the Badge work they will be making weather stations to collect data on rainfall, wind direction and wind strength.

We will also be doing a number of weather experiments which will look at how clouds form, what causes rain, how cold and warm fronts work, where wind comes from (!) and may even have a lightening in the mouth experiment!

The Scout Association has produced a very informative Activity pack that the next few weeks will be based on. You can see this pack by following this link: <u>Scout</u> <u>Meteorologist activity pack</u>



Scout Spring Programme

The programme for the next term concentrates on badge work. Initially we will be working towards the Meteorologist Badge. We then move onto the Guide Activity Badge (nothing to do with Girl Guides!). Our pyromaniacs will probably enjoy the Fire Safety Activity Badge. We will then start the Pioneer Activity Badge before the Great Escape Camp brings the term to a close.

11/01/3013	Games Night / Go through programme
18/01/2013	Meteorologist Badge
25/01/2013	Meteorologist Badge
01/02/2013	Meteorologist Badge
08/02/2013	Guide Activity Badge
15/02/2013	Fire Safety Activity Badge
22/02/2013	Half Term (no Scouts)
01/03/2013	Fire Safety Activity Badge
08/03/2013	Pioneer Activity Badge
15/03/2013	Pioneer Activity Badge
22/03/2013	Great Escape
29/03/2013	Easter Holidays (no Scouts)
05/04/2013	Easter Holidays (no Scouts)