

## New Beaver Colony

June 8<sup>th</sup> 2010 was the big day when 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston opened its new Beaver Colony.

In recent times, due to pressure from an enormous waiting list, we increased the size of our current Colony, however, it soon became apparent that the enlarged colony was very difficult to manage properly.

As our Leader team grew stronger and more experienced, it became clear that the best course of action would be to split the Colony and have two smaller more manageable groups of Beavers.

And so our second Colony was born. Nine Beavers moved from the existing Colony and nine new Beavers joined from the waiting list. The new Colony is named the <u>Ismay</u> Colony and operates on Tuesday evenings with Cath Corby as the Beaver Scout Leader, Jo Boots joining her (and the Group) as Assistant Beaver Leader and Emily (ABSL) also helping out with one parent from the parent rota.

The original colony continues to meet on Thursdays with Jayne Oliver (Rusty) as the Beaver Scout Leader, assisted each week by Emily (ABSL), Ellie (Colony Asst) and also Sue Lang (Colony Asst) when she can make it and this colony has now been named the <u>Thor</u> Colony.

This is a big step forward for our Group as it is the first time 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston has had TWO Beaver Colonies.

So far everything is running smoothly and we wish both colonies a long, strong and active future.