

# Thor Beaver Colony newsletter

September till December 2017

## Badges gained this term

### International activity

Ethan G, Luca P, Zachary, Sam M, Bobby, Oliver,

Nathan, Joseph, Luca C, Danial, Charlie, Joshua H, Jacob, Lewie, Eli, Ethan H, Edward, and Ben G.

### Experiment

Zach, Sam, Oliver, Nathan, Luca C, Joshua H, Jacob, Charlie, Jack S, James, Bobby, Daniel, Ben G, Eli, Lewie, Ethan G, Ethan H, Edward, Ethan P, Ben M, Jack T and Ben Y.

### Teamwork Challenge

Zachary and Sam.

### Creative activity

Jacob, Eli, Ethan G, Lewie, Ethan H, Edward, Ben M, Ben G, Jack T, James, Nathan, Joshua H and Bobby.

### 1st joining in

Joseph and Luca

### Cooks activity

Sam, Bobby, Jack S, Joseph, James, Luca C, Charlie, Joshua H, Jacob, Lewie, Eli, Ethan H, Ethan G, Ben G, Ben M, Ethan P, Ben Y, Jack T and Daniel.

When we returned to Beavers after the summer break we welcomed 4 new Beavers to our Colony; Ben M, Ben Y, Luke M and Jack T. We also welcomed Tom and Jack who are doing their Silver Duke of Edinburgh. On this night the Beavers learnt about who started Scouting and the year that Beavers started.

On another night in September the Beavers learnt greetings from other Countries, including Germany and France. We have visited St Bartholomew's Church and bell tower, the Beavers particuly enjoyed having a go at ringing a bell and seeing the bells at the very top of the tower. At the end of the night Ethan P was Invested.

In October we had a Fitness evening and talked about the importance of keeping fit. The Beavers took part in different exercises, including - sit ups, star jumps, press ups and running. To end the night we awarded the International activity badge to some of the Beavers.

We have had an Experiment night, the Beavers took part in the following experiments:- oil and water, candle, eruption of a volcano, magnets and growing cress. All the Beavers that took part in this night achieved their Experiment badge.

The Beavers have completed their Cooks badge learning about Personal hygiene, balanced diets, safety in the kitchen and unhealthy foods. The Beavers made 3 different types of food; french bread pizza, a healthy sandwich and a fruit kebab.

At the beginning of November we had a visit to the Kailash Kadampa Buddhist centre in Oxtou, when we arrived we were met by Jo one of the leaders and Sowman a Buddhist monk, she explained to the Beavers about the evening. She then showed us were

to put our shoes before entering the Temple, as you do not wear your shoes in the Temple. Once in the Beavers sat on Kneelers and Jo demonstrated how to Meditate, the Beavers enjoyed this. She then explained about the origins and meaning of Buddhism.

At the end of the evening we Invested Ben M, Jack T and Ben Y.

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 14 Beavers attended the District Beaver Christmas Craft day at St Chad's Church hall in Irby. They had a fun day taking part in making a variety of Christmas crafts.

On the second Thursday in November we welcomed 4 new Beavers to our Colony:- Tom, Harley, Jack and Harry. During this evening the Beavers made Saltdough decorations to sell at the Scout Group Christmas fair. The Beavers that attended the District Craft day received their Creative activity badge.

The Beavers have made Christmas cards and given them to a local Nursing homes.

The Beavers have learnt about St Andrew for St Andrew's Day, they all had a go at weaving their own Blue and White tartan.

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December we took part in the District Beaver Carol Service and Christmas party.

Our final Beaver event for this year was Bowling at Bromborough Bowl. We said goodbye to Luca P, Joshua C and Zachary and wished them all the best as they move up to Cubs.

I would like to welcome Lucy Halder as a new Young Leader with our colony.

I would also like to thank all of my leader team and parent helpers for all their help during the past year. I would like to wish everyone a very Happy New year.

Jayne Oliver Beaver Leader (Rusty)