



1st Cheddington Cub Scout Pack

Welcome Pack

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Scout Headquarters, Station Road, Cheddington, Buckinghamshire, LU7 0SG

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1. Welcome

Welcome to 1st Cheddington Cub Scout Pack!

We are delighted to welcome your child as a new Cub and hope he/she enjoys our meetings. We aim to provide interesting and challenging activities, in a fun, friendly and safe environment.

2. Contacts

For any general questions on Cheddington Cubs, please contact any of the leaders below. If it relates to a specific Pack, Tigers or Wolves, please contact the appropriate leader.

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3. Overview

Membership of the pack is open to boys and girls aged 8 – 10½. The Scout Association sets the maximum number of members allowed in each section. The Cub section is limited to 36 members but our current hall size really means 24 is the maximum we can cope with.

Membership is currently £40 per school term – cheques payable to 1st Cheddington Scout Group or by money transfer. Please pay at the start of each term when invoices are received.

The pack is split into two sessions.

Tigers, Tuesday's session, is run by

Michelle Aulton	Cub Scout Leader
Ellie Bourn	Assistant Cub Scout Leader

Wolves, Wednesday's session, is run by

Jo Jones	Cub Scout Leader
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Both sessions are helped by one or more parents and young helpers. All leaders are trained by the Scout Association so that they can provide exciting and safe activities.

All leaders and assistants are DSB checked before helping.

More information is available at:

Group website:	www.cheddingtonscouts.org.uk
Facebook group:	1st Cheddington Scout Group
Scout Association website:	www.scouts.org.uk

4. Meetings

We meet on Tuesdays from 18:30 to 20:00 and Wednesdays from 18.45 to 20:15 during term time, at the Scout hut on Station Road, Cheddington.

We have a programme planned for each week and details will be sent home every term. There may be special outings and events at weekends and during the holidays. The leaders will give you details and ask for your permission before members take part in any of these extra activities.

We start and end each meeting with Grand Howl and flag break so please make sure the cubs arrive on time and understand the importance of the ceremony.

5. Parental Help

The Cub Pack can only run successfully with the active participation of the parents, whether simply encouraging the children to join in activities or occasionally helping at a meeting.

In order to ensure sufficient adult cover at our meetings and so that we can provide a good range of activities, we often require additional adults, and we welcome help from any parents/guardians at sessions. Please try to help at least once per term. We will also need a lot of help when we run outings or visits as, for sessions away from the hut, we must have one adult for every six children. Occasionally we may email to ask for extra help.

Finally, we also need help when raising money; we can only run the activities we do if we can afford them so please get involved when we ask for assistance in this area.

6. Sixes

The Cubs are grouped into teams called sixes. Each six has a colour and wear an appropriate coloured woggle for their six

- Yellow
- Blue
- Red
- Green

We try to make sure members are in a six where they know at least one other person, and may move members between sixes from time to time, to allow the members to make new friends.

Each six has a leader, who is normally one of the older members, called a Sixer who is also helped by a Second. Both Sixers and Seconds wear a special badge on their arm.

7. Promise and Motto

One of the things that makes Scouting different from most youth organisations is that it is based around a promise that all members of the Scout Association make, with suitable variants appropriate to the age group.

The Cub Scout Promise is:

I promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and to the Queen
To help other people
And to keep the Cub Scout Law

The Cub Scout Law is:

Cub Scouts always do their best
Think of others before themselves
And do a good turn every day.

The Cub Scout motto is:

Be prepared.

8. Investiture

New members will receive a handbook which has information for the new Cub about being a Cub Scout. They need to attend a few meetings and then, if they choose to, will be invested into the pack with a simple ceremony and promise (they will be helped with this), which you will be invited to watch. There is a joining fee of £10:00 to cover the cost of the scarf, badges and logbook, at that stage.

9. Uniform

Cubs should have a full uniform of a Cub Scout sweatshirt, dark trousers and the group scarf. During normal meetings, it is best to wear a tee-shirt (e.g. the Cub polo shirt) under the sweatshirt to allow the sweatshirt to be taken off during activities, trainers and hard-wearing trousers.

The scarf, woggle and badges are supplied by the Scout Group as part of the investiture; the sweatshirt needs to be purchased by the Cub.

Where to buy

The best place to buy uniform is our District Scout shop at Weston Turville. The shop is open on Monday evenings 19:30 to 21:30 (apart from Bank Holidays) and is located at the 14th Vale of Aylesbury headquarters on Wendover Road, Weston Turville (just off the roundabout with Station Road, behind the old garage).

Uniform can also be purchased online from www.scoutshops.com, or from various shops, e.g. Wear2School in Leighton Buzzard, John Lewis in Milton Keynes.



Position of badges

Certain badges earned in the Beaver Scout Colony can be transferred to the Cub Scout uniform i.e. Membership Badge, Moving on award, Group, District and County badges, the highest Joining-in Award, any Staged Activity Badges and the Chief Scout's Bronze Award.

For badges with several levels, such as Joining-in Awards and Staged Activity Badges, only the highest numbered badge achieved should be worn on the uniform.

10. Badges and Awards

Throughout their time at Cubs, members will receive standard badges and will have the opportunity to earn challenge and activity badges. Each session will consist of activities aimed at achieving these badges, and these will be awarded at the end of each half-term.

The badge programme is highlighted below.

	<p>Membership Award Over the first few weeks, new members will learn about Cub Scouting and will complete this award.</p>
	<p>Joining-in Awards The Joining-in Award is designed to show how many years a member has been in the Scout movement. At the Cub Section, our members would normally get Badge 3 a year after they join and Badge 4 after a further year of membership of the pack (assuming they had been in Beavers previously).</p>
	<p>Challenge Awards There are seven Challenge Awards that our members can work towards within the Cub Scout section. They are the Adventure, Outdoors, Skills, World, Personal, Teamwork and Team Leader Challenges. Challenge awards are not undertaken individually, as many of the requirements will be included in the normal Cub Scout programme.</p>
	<p>The Chief Scout's Silver Award This badge is the highest award available in the Cub Scout section and is gained by completing all seven Challenge awards.</p>
	<p>Activity Badges There are thirty-six different activity badges covering a wide range of topics including Animal Carer, Artist, Chef, Collector, Communicator, Cyclist, DIY, Disability Awareness, Entertainer, Global Issues, Hobbies, International, Photographer and Scientist. These badges are optional, and reward members who have taken part in an activity over a period of time. Each term we will be aiming to complete two of the activity badges. If your child has a particular interest and wishes to do one of these badges, then please see a leader.</p>
	<p>Staged Activity Badges There are also fourteen Staged Activity badges available to all young people in the Beaver Scout, Cub Scout, Scout and Explorer Scout sections, and can be completed from the age of 6 to 18. This means that a young person can gain whichever badge is appropriate to the level they have reached. The Staged Activity badges are: Air Activities, Community Impact, Digital Citizen, Digital Maker, Emergency Aid, Hikes Away, Musician, Nautical Skills, Navigator, Nights Away, Paddle Sports, Sailing, Swimmer and Time on the Water. If your child has a particular interest and wishes to do one of these badges, then please see a leader.</p>
	<p>Moving-On Award The Moving-On award is presented to a Cub Scout when he/she is invested into the Scout Troop. It allows Cub Scouts to be invested into Scouts immediately, recognizing that they are already members of the Scout Movement.</p>

More information about the tasks for each badge can be found on our group website (www.cheddingtonscouts.org.uk), from the Scouts website (www.scouts.org.uk) or from one of the leaders.

Most of the badges are optional. We will try to cover all the badges during a Cub's time in the pack, but may not be able to offer them all.

You are very welcome to support your child with badge work outside the pack meetings. However, part of our yearly programme covers part or all of the requirements of certain badges, so please check with a leader before starting any badge work.