



# Welcome Explorers!

#### Say hello to the latest addition to our Scouting family at Copmanthorpe!

We're pleased to welcome our new Explorer Unit. For those of you currently at Scouts, this is great news as your Scouting adventure can continue from ages 14 to 18.

Martin Wing is taking the lead as Unit Leader with Jo Stark and Dan Steel ably supporting him.

They've already done some exciting activities, and were formally invested on Monday 11 April.

If you're interested in joining the Explorer Unit, see more detail at our website, or contact Martin Wing at copexplorers@gmail.com.

#### St. George's Day Parade '16

#### The weather held for this years' parade, which was all outside...

Each year Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Rainbows, Brownies, Girl Guides and more march through the streets of York to celebrate St. George's day.

This had usually included a service in York Minster, however this year, we were outside in the elements from start to finish.

As well as mums and dads getting to see us all in our uniform, it also reminds us of how large the Scouting organisation is.

At the end, we tried to get a photo of us all in. Turn to page 4 to see if we managed it or not!

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Beavers Nikki Waygood

Cubs Nigel White

Scouts Al Murray

Explorers Martin Wing



#### Copmanthorpe win at Chess competition

## Winners at Junior and Senior age groups.

The recent competition was for Scouting and Guiding across all of York. Puyuan Zhang [R] won the Junior age category and Alex Stark [L] won the Senior.

Well done to both of you!

## St. David's Day

[Left] Cubs are pictured with their St. George's Day dragons!

## Yorkshire Ambulance

[Right] In January, Beavers made a visit to the Yorkshire Ambulance Service to see the great work they do.

equipment and safety training before getting a chance to swim underwater with their friends.

Each received a certificate which shows they have taken their first steps to obtaining that all-important PADI qualification. Well done all!

(Thanks to Explorer Lucas Wing for taking underwater photos.)











## Cubs and Scouts get a taste of Scuba Diving.

In January, two groups of Cubs and Scouts had the chance to try Scuba Diving at Yearsley pool in York. This great opportunity was helped as the costs were subsidised through the fundraising we do - all that paper collecting and baking is worth while! Cubs and Scouts were given the right



### Ready, Steady, GO (kart!)

On Saturday O2 July 2016 the National Scoutcar Championships is coming to York. Explorers have built two cars to join 60 teams of Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from across the UK to compete in a full day of pedal car racing. This is a day not to be missed!



## Messy Fun: Part 1 🕇

#### Scouts go Paintballing.

This is the 'before' picture, and we're sure the 'after' one was a LOT less clean than this.

Here's a selection of Scouts getting kitted up and ready for some seriously messy fun at Harrogate Paintball.

## Messy Fun: Part 2 🖊

#### Explorers throw paint..

Here's some Explorers learning about the Indian festival of colour - *Holi*. Before the chaos, they sampled two Indian dishes, japatis and daal. Then they coated each other in coloured dye, as is the trandition for this festival. (Sorry to those washing clothes...)



### Brrrrrrrrrrr.....!!!

January's winter camp was an experience for all! And yes, that IS snow on the ground, just in case you were wondering.

Each year, the Scouting calendar has key events, and it's usually the camps which we look forward to.

For Scouts and Explorers, this means a winter camp, which this year took place in Hawkhirst.

We were a bit surprised to pitch our tents between the trees, but the views and the setting were spectacular.

We soon forgot about the cold (as we were all prepared!!) and got down to loads of fun activities and cooked some food to keep us warm!

Well done to all those who braved the elements!





## Jungle VIP's

Cubs, Beavers, Rainbows and Brownies got together at Copmanthorpe Community Cinema for a showing of The Jungle Book.

Pictured here are Lesley Strathie -Brownie Leader, Nigel White and lots of people having a great time!!

## St. George's Day parade 2016

Emma Wing kindly helped and persevered to get this great shot at the end of the St. George's Day parade. Thanks Emma!



## Cubs get their Faith badge

Here's some of the Cubs on a recent visit to York Mosque.

## Calendar

#### 26 May

Annual General Meeting, Scout Hall, for all parents and leaders @ 19:30

#### 18 June

Cubs Centenary Treasure Hunt, York City Centre

2 July

National Scout Car Races, Tockwith (Cubs, Scouts, Explorers)

**8-10 July** Cubs Centenary Camp, Snowball

**3 September** Pinewood Derby and Family BBQ for all

**16-18 September** Group Camp at Hesley Wood (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers)

**16 December** Cubs Centenary Birthday Party, York University

