

## Scouts Winter Term 2023

This year is shaping up to be a busy one. We have confirmed a few dates in advance of this programme and we are continuing to fill in the details. Here are the things you need to know:

### Confirmed Dates for 2023:

**Winter Hike - Saturday 11th February** - A repeat of last year's popular Reeth to Richmond hike. Information and booking form is on the Website: [www.bartonscouts.co.uk](http://www.bartonscouts.co.uk)

**Winter Camp - 3rd-5th March** - A weekend in Carlton in Cleveland with a full day of adventuring in the surrounding hills. Full information and booking form to follow very shortly.

**St George's Fun Day - Sunday 23rd April** - This is a District event including Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from all the other groups in Richmondshire. More details to follow as they are released by District.

**Family Camp - 26th-28th May** - We are returning to Dilston and the whole family (and friends) are welcome. This was a huge hit last year so don't miss out. Full information available and bookings open in February.

**Expedition Camp - 15th-16th July** - A mini Duke of Edinburgh-style expedition to achieve the Expedition Challenge Badge. More information after Easter.

### Things to remember this term (and every term):

- Subs are £10 per month all year round. **When your child moves section you will receive emails from our admin system to move over to the new section's DD.** You just need to log into Online Scout Manager (link in the emails) and click a few things. This usually goes smoothly, but if you have any queries, the best thing to do is email us at [bartonscouts@gmail.com](mailto:bartonscouts@gmail.com) and we will get back to you ASAP. **If you are late setting up your DD, all missed DDs will automatically be taken by the system in a single payment,** unless you get in contact with us to sort out alternative payment. Nobody will be denied scouting because they find it unaffordable, so please get in touch if you find subs are a problem. We will deal with this confidentially and ensure you are supported.
- It's uniform every week unless the programme says it isn't.
- Please let us know if you are not going to be at scouts at any point. Contact details are on the website.
- If you don't come to scouts for 3 consecutive weeks without contact we will be in touch to ask if you still want your place. There are others that do. If we don't hear back within 2 weeks your place will be given away.
- If you don't want your place in Scouts any longer, let us know. We're always sad to see people go, but there are never any hard feelings.
- **Please bring a coat every week,** not only because we may do an activity outside of the hall, **but because we live in England where the weather is generally awful in winter, so it's plain old common sense.**

Please get in touch with any questions via the usual channels  
**Gavin, Anthony, Karen, Rich, Mark and Kevin**

## Winter Term 2023 Programme

Date	Activity	Location	Notes
5th January	Troop Forum	Hall	This is in the past!
12th January	Fidget Toys	Hall	This is in the past!
19th January	Life Auction	Hall	
26th January	Chinese New Year	Hall	
2nd February	Indoor Caving	Hall	
9th February	Carving	Hall	
<b>16th February</b>	<b>Half Term</b>	-	No Scouts
23rd February	Tin Can Pancakes	Hall	Please bring one clean, empty food tin
2nd March	Space	Hall - OUTDOORS	I know some of you ignore our demands to bring a coat each week but...well... <b>BRING A COAT</b>
9th March	Skills Challenge	Hall	
16th March	Young Leaders Night	Hall - OUTDOORS	I know some of you ignore our demands to bring a coat each week but...well... <b>BRING A COAT</b>
23rd March	You Shape Scouting	Hall	
30th March	Easter Egg Hunting	<b>The Field</b>	No uniform. Dress for the weather. Possibly a good idea to have a torch for hunting in the dark.