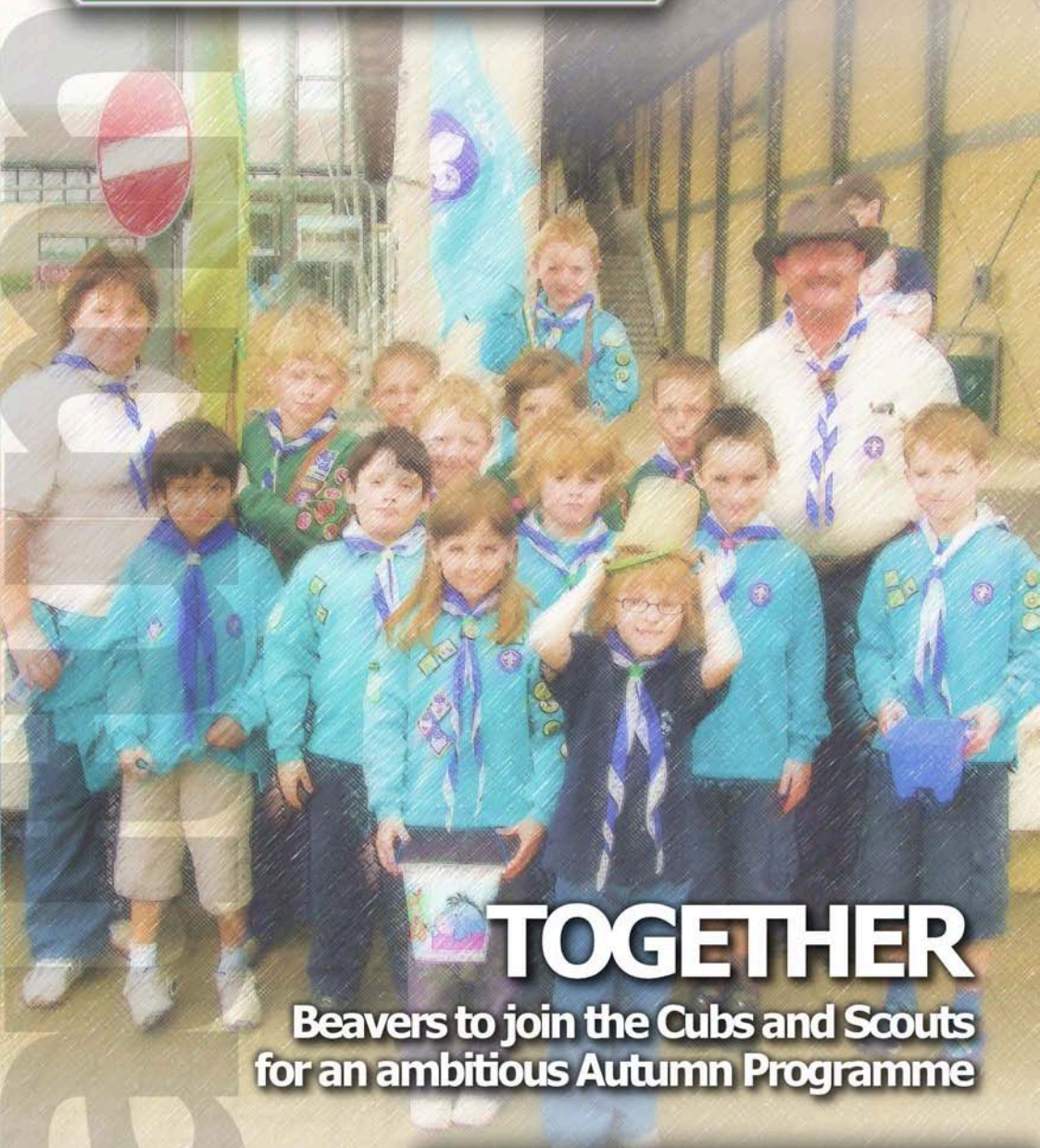


# TermTime



## TOGETHER

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*18th Cambridge Edition*

**Beavers to join Cubs and Scouts for Ambitious Autumn**

The Beavers will be putting their Groups first this Autumn with a number of special activities planned between the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts.

The 18th will be launching their "Autumn of Ambition" by opening a Scout Troop for the older members of the group. All sections will then meet together for the Big Tidy Up in September, a Group Outing and Group Camp in October, a Group Night Hike in November and a Christmas Party in December.

The 18th will also be utilising their website for a number of new initiatives. 'Records Online' will allow parents to keep track of their child's badge work and activity logs. Project YoYo will be available for Beavers to submit badge work online, and take part in some fun activities using the internet. This will all tie in with a small media project, which will form part of the group's DVD ambitions.

The 12th will be running a Family Camp for all members and their families in September. There is

also the possibility of one or two 'mixed' evenings on the horizon.

The 26th Beavers will have an opportunity to join the Cubs for a trip to Linton Zoo in September. Though this is the only plan for the group at present, a productive group meeting has encouraged the sections to get together more often, starting in January.

The rich range of activities being offered by groups this Autumn does mean that the number of TriBe activities will be limited. One casualty of the plan is the termly TriBe Sleepover, which has been dropped due to a lack of available weekends.

However, mixing the Beavers with the Cubs and Scouts means they will become familiar with the personnel and activities of the older sections, which will make moving on easier. It is also good preparation for the disbanding of TriBe in 2010, when the 12th and 26th colonies will be handed to new leaders and integrated more into the Groups.

**Adult Support Tops 'Priority List'**

Following Claire Rickard's departure from the TriBe, the core leadership team for all three colonies now falls back on Emma and Simon.

To ensure the colonies can continue to offer the best activities possible, both indoor and out, Emma and Simon will be looking for 3 individuals to help out as colony assistants or leaders over the three evenings...one per evening.

In an attempt to get more people involved with their groups, either as leaders or executives, Simon is offering a dare. If parents and supporters get involved and fulfil 4 out of 5 key objectives then Simon will hike all the way from the Good Shepherd Church to Brighton Pier in East Sussex over 8 days in August 2009.

If you would like to volunteer to help out, please contact any of the leaders.

All appointments are subject to CRB Clearance and approval.

**Beavers enjoy Nature-based Sleepover**

30 Beavers from TriBe have been learning about wildlife at a special nature-based sleepover.

The event, held at Milton Community Centre and Country Park, took advantage of the local surroundings and provided a great opportunity for the Beavers to investigate animal habitats and ecosystems.

Along with basic activities such as bark rubbing and leaf collecting, the Beavers made bird houses and bird feeders, went pond dipping in search of aquatic wildlife, and went bug hunting under logs, in long grass and in trees.

The sleepover also allowed the Beavers to unwind with plenty of run-about time on the green, a chance to make and fly kites, watch a movie in the evening and be boisterous with a pillow fight before breakfast.

The sleepover was the final event in a term that was filled with environmental activities.

**Events taking place in the Autumn Term 2008**

**The BIG Tidy Up! (22nd September)**

On Monday 22nd September, the Beavers have been invited to join the Cubs and Scouts for 'The Big Tidy Up' around Arbury. The event is part of the 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign and involves doing chores, such as litter picking, around the local community under leader supervision.

**Group Outing (5th October)**

The 18th will be running a Group Outing to a theme park on Sunday 5th October. The price will be no more than £10 and two destinations are being considered: Drayton Manor and Gullivers MK.

**Group Camp (10th/11th October)**

The Beavers have an opportunity to join the Cubs and Scouts for a night away at the inaugural Group Camp in October. The Beavers will arrive on Friday evening for the Opening ceremony, and will join in with Cub and Scout activities. They will sleep indoors and go home at 4pm on the Saturday.

**CamBAD 2008 (18th October)**

Due to leadership shortages, we will be unable to offer the Cambridge Beaver Activity Day unless a number of parents are able to help out on the day. Depending on response, a decision will be made by the end of September. We are also aware it would be a third straight weekend of scouting activities.

**Group Night Hike (November)**

The Beavers will be joining the Cubs and Scouts for a night hike sometime in November. The hike will start and end at the 26th HQ (Logan's Way, Chesterton) on a Friday evening. The date will be determined as soon as the district confirm the date of the District Cub Night Hike.

**Group Uniform**

Members of the 18th Cambridge will be able to wear an alternative uniform from the Autumn Term. The Group are in the process of buying a range of polo shirts, t-shirts and hoodies with the group's logo on it, and members will be entitled to wear these to meetings instead of the current uniform. Details, prices and samples will be available at the beginning of term.

**Records Online**

The 18th website will shortly be launching "Records Online" as part of Project YoYo. Records Online will allow parents to keep track of their child's badge work and Beaver records, listing the requirements for each badge, completion dates and an activity log for special events. Records Online will be password protected to prevent the general public having access, and no private information will be published. For a sneak preview visit: [http://www.18th-cambridge.org.uk/proyo/beavers/simon\\_gates.html](http://www.18th-cambridge.org.uk/proyo/beavers/simon_gates.html)

**Membership Fee (Subs)**

Subscription payments for the Autumn term (September-December) will be collected between 11th-25th September inclusive. The cost of the Subscription is £15 for the term, which covers membership, activity costs and facility hire. Cash or cheque acceptable, with all cheques made payable to "18th Cambridge Beaver Scouts".

# Diary Dates

## Autumn Term Programme

### SEPTEMBER

Thu	11	Welcome Back & Intro. Games	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
Thu	18	Imagination Evening	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
Mon	22	The BIG Tidy Up!	Arbury Community	18:30 - 20:00	-
Thu	25	Music Maker: Week 1	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-

### OCTOBER

Thu	02	Music Maker: Week 2	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
<b>Sun</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>GROUP OUTING</b>	<b>Drayton Manor or Gullivers</b>	08:30 - 18:00	£10
Thu	09	BIG Bug Hunt: Preparation	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
<b>Fri</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>GROUP CAMP</b>	<b>Abington Campsite</b>	18:00 - 16:00	£7.50
Thu	16	The BIG Bug Hunt	Milton Country Park	18:20 - 19:45	-
<b>Sat</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>CAMBAD 2007</b>	<b>Abington Campsite</b>	10:00 - 16:30	£7
Thu	23	All Things Animal	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-

### NOVEMBER

Thu	06	Lights Out! Remembrance Evening	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
Thu	13	Fun with Light*	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:45	-
Thu	20	Evening a la France*	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:45	-
<b>Fri</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>GROUP NIGHT HIKE*</b>	<b>26th HQ (Logan's Way)</b>	18:15 - 19:45	-

### DECEMBER

Thu	04	Advent Adventure	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:30	-
<b>Sat</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>District Beaver Xmas Party</b>	<b>54th HQ, Shirley School</b>	16:00 - 18:30	£6
Thu	11	End of Term Evening	18th HQ	18:15 - 19:45	-

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