



**8<sup>th</sup> Hornchurch ST. MATTHEWS Beaver Colony.**

March 2018.

**For next Thursday's Colony meeting, 15<sup>th</sup> March, please meet, in uniform, at Havering Museum, 19/21 High St., Romford, RM1 1JU by 5.55 p.m.**

Beavers will be ready for collection from the Museum at **7.30 p.m.** There is a small shop so some pocket money would be useful. Parking available in the Brewery car park, then you can walk through by Costa Coffee.

**E-mail addresses** – could I ask that if you change your email address you let me know. When your child joined beavers I asked for an email address that you looked at frequently so that any queries/information could be sorted quickly.

**Dates for your calendar** –

Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> March – church parade at St. Andrews church

Thurs., 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> April – NO colony meeting as Easter holidays

Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April – St. Georges Day parade\*

Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May – Day visit to Group camp

**Colony catch-up** – beavers have 'visited' PyeongChang for a fun winter Olympics and the Gambia for a look at the volunteering projects our young leaders will be taking on in the summer; many thanks to those who have donated money towards the Gambia project. We celebrated our founder, Baden-Powell, looking at his life as a soldier in Africa and how this led to the formation of Scouting: thank you for the good turn-out for our annual Group Scouts Own. Last week was blighted by snow but 8 turned up for a 'snow' programme. This evening we welcomed a florist who showed beavers how to make a small flower arrangement for their mums.

Attached: details of discount ticket offer for Adventure Island, Sea-Life and Adventure Golf.

\*Advance notice for our annual District St. Georges Day Parade on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. This is an occasion when all beavers, cubs and scouts from the area (Rainham through to Cranham and Ardleigh Green) come together to celebrate St. George, patron saint of England and Scouting. We meet at 9.40 a.m. at the Sixth Form Car Park and walk down to Emerson Park School for a short service; last year beavers were entertained by a pantomime.

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