

Returning to face-to-face Scouting

What to expect when you return to Beavers, Cubs or Scouts

We are excited to be back together again, but to keep you, other children, your families and our leaders and helpers safe we must do some things differently.

We are confident the measures we are taking minimise the risk from COVID-19 to acceptably low levels, but only if we all stick to and enforce them. So, please read this document carefully. We are all responsible to ensure that our return is safe, fun and engaging.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your section leader.

If anyone has COVID-19 symptoms

If you, anyone you live with, or anyone you have been close to in the last week has a cough, high temperature, has lost their sense of smell or taste or has had a positive COVID-19 test then please stay at home.

Batches

From 3rd September we can meet in batches of no more than 15 young people plus up to 5 adults.

Young people must stay in their batch but adults may move between batches or to a section meeting at a different time on the same day.

If we need to split your section into more than one batch, we will do this taking into consideration other batches you might be a member of, in particular your school.

Your leader will let you know which batch you are in and when you will be meeting.

Drop off

If possible, please walk to the hut.

Please come directly to the hut, and avoid any detours to the play area or the woods.

Walk on the left in the lane and make sure you keep at least 2m from everyone.

You will be dropped off at the gate, where you will be met by a Leader. We will register you there, and then send you to the hand-washing station.

Pick up

You will be leaving one-by-one, via the hand-washing station. Once we have handed you over to your parent, please leave the area straight away.

Remember to walk on the left in the lane and make sure you keep at least 2m from everyone.

Personal belongings

You can bring a water bottle and additional clothing as necessary for the weather (hat, coat, gloves, etc).

Unless you are using the toilet, you will not be allowed in the Scout Hut. Everywhere else is strictly out-of-bounds. You will not have access to the coat racks, so you will need to keep your belongings with you. A rucksack would be a good way to keep everything together

Basic hygiene measures

You need to make sure you wash your hands regularly, and that you catch any sneezes and bin any tissues.

Please make sure you have washed your hands before leaving home.

You will need to wash your hands on arrival, on departure, and before and after any activities.

Please make sure you are not wearing the same clothes that you have worn all day. You should wear your uniform and different trousers.

Distancing

You need to keep at least 2m away from everyone else during the meeting. We will remind you of the rules at the start of the session, and during activities.

You need to follow any instruction about keeping your distance. If you cannot do this, we may need to call your parents to come and collect you

What happens if you get ill?

If you start to feel ill at any point during the meeting, please tell an adult immediately

The Programme

At present we will mostly meet outdoors, so please make sure you are wearing appropriate clothing so you won't feel too cold/hot and can stay dry.

Toilets

Please make sure you have gone to the toilet before coming to the meeting.

And then, immediately before you leave home, go to the toilet one last time, and make sure you have washed your hands.

First Aid

If you use medicines that you can take yourself (an inhaler, for example) please make sure you can do so without adult help. Keep this medicine with you.

For any basic first aid, such as small plasters, we will encourage and provide guidance for you to treat with the incident yourselves. If an adult has to help, we will use appropriate protective equipment.

If any prolonged treatment is required, we will call you to request your assistance.

Remember to wash your hands before and after any first aid.