

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you had a happy Christmas and that the new year has started well for you. This is just a quick note to let you know about some dates for your diaries between now and Easter. We will be at the hut for the majority of the term but if any one needs help with a lift when we are meeting away from the hut, please let us know and we will do all we can to help.

This term we are working towards the My Skills Challenge Award, Creative Activity Badge, Communicator Activity Badge and Space Activity Badge. Details of the badge work can be found on our wall in the hut and on our website (www.queensburyscouts.org.uk). One aspect of the My Skills Challenge Award is that Beavers have to visit somewhere new, so we've booked in to the Keighley Star Centre and have our fingers crossed that no one has been with school! We will also be marking 30 years of Beavers with activities at the hut, and joining with Beavers from across the district for a party on the last weekend of January. If you have any **unwanted birthday cards** which you could donate to us for cutting up, we would be very grateful — we'll be needing them on **Wednesday 27th January.**

Saturday 30th January — District Beaver 30th birthday party. Great Horton Methodist Church (Cornerstones). 2.00-5.00pm, come in uniform. We will collect 50p per Beaver attending so we can put together some platters of party food to take. Activity form to follow.

Wednesday 20th January- Communications Night. Stand by for messages from your child as they text and phone using contact numbers you have taught them. See attached letter.

Wednesday 17th February - **No Beavers** (half term holiday)

Wednesday 9th March — Keighley Star Centre, (Leeds City College, Keighley Campus, Bradford Road, Keighley, West Yorkshire BD21 4HQ Phone:01535 685167)
6.30 -7.30pm (please arrive from 6.20ish so we can get started straight away at 6.30). Activity form to follow

Wednesday 23rd March — Eat pancakes and break up for Easter Holidays. Beavers will be closed on Wednesday 30th March and Wednesday 6th April for Easter. We will reopen on Wednesday 13th April.

We will be doing an activity towards our badges nearly every week this term, but not all of it has to be done with us. If you know that your child is going to be away for any week please let us know and we can let you know what they are missing so they can catch up at home if they like and not miss the opportunity of gaining their badge.

As ever, if you have any questions, worries or concerns, please see me or any other leader on a Wednesday, or contact me by phone.

Kind regards,

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