

Spring Term News and Diary Dates

We have had some very busy members of our leadership team onsite this past couple of weeks. Here are just some of the things that have been happening:-



- **Tree maintenance** has been completed which enables our site Bonfire to take place on **Saturday January 9th**. Please come along to help us clear the site up.
- **Large screen mounted in the hall** - The group has been very lucky to be donated a large screen "TV" by the company that Akela Steve works for. He and Akela Richard have now mounted and almost finished boxing it in on a wall in the hall. This will give us some great opportunities for online demonstrations both at adult meetings/training sessions and for our young people. It should prove especially useful in the next term to enable each section to help choose which charity our group wants to support over the coming year for UK Scouting's "A Million hands" project. Scouting wants to mobilise half *a million* Scouts in support of four social issues chosen by young people. See this link for more information <https://www.amillionhands.org.uk/>
- **Toilets** - We now have locks on all of the toilet doors that can still be opened from the outside in an emergency and a new disabled toilet safety bar.
- **Hall ceiling** - Unfortunately after a mis-step by one of our leaders preparing for Scout Christmas camp whilst in the loft, a whole panel of plaster board came away! I am pleased to report that our leader fortunately came to no harm! As a result some extra loft boards have made their way into the loft through "the hole", to make it safer to use in future, and a new piece of plaster board has been put in place by some of our leaders.
- **New storage outside** - construction of a storage area between the garage and container for our pioneering poles and some of our outdoor equipment has been started. This in turn will free up space in the garage.
- **Concrete parking area and access ramp** has been further progressed, although this is obviously weather dependent. We received a grant from both the Town Council and Sevenoaks District Scouts to fund the new ramp but progress has been slow due to ill health of the contractor we employed. He is aiming to finish as quickly as he can now.

We always have lots to do and maintain on our fantastic site. The more support we can get the more time the leaders have to organise Scouting events and activities plus the more we can do to improve our site.

If you or any member of your family or friends would be willing to be added to an email circular to help with site maintenance for when we just need a few extra pairs of hands once in a while please reply to either Jo or send an email to 4thSevenoaks@gmail.com

This does not commit anyone to anything other than receiving an email when we need extra help.

Diary Dates

Sunday April 24th is the annual St Georges Day Parade up Sevenoaks High Street to St Nicholas Church - usually from 2pm to 4pm.



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