1st Oxted Scout Scout Summer camp 2016 – 24/7/16 to 29/7/16

Dear parents and carers,

You have indicated that your son or daughter will be joining the Troop’s 2016 Summer camp at Corf Scout campsite, Isle of Wight PO30 4NT http://www.corfcamp.org/. This will be the ninth successive Summer Camp we have organised, and it will be the second time we have visited the IoW and this campsite. The fee for the camp will be £170 per Scout. This fee includes groceries and activities and transportation to and from the event.

**Departure:** From the Scout HQ, Chalkpit Lane, approx. **0700 Sunday 24th July. Don’t be late**

**Return:** To the Scout HQ, Chalkpit Lane, approx. **1630 Friday 29th July** (time to be confirmed)

If as a result of traffic delays or other problems, there will be a change to the return time, we will advise by text or instant message. The camp finishes when everything is packed away at the Scout HQ. Scouts and parents should feel free to assist.

Scouts’ main luggage – sleeping bag, clothes etc in a rucsac – should be brought to the Scout hut on Chalkpit Lane **the afternoon before departure**, Saturday 23rd July, between 1630 and 1700. This is to enable us to pack the luggage van and make a prompt start the following day. Please feel free to assist with the process of loading and unloading the van before and after the journey.

Please would parents contribute a home-made or bought cake or cakes for the young people to share in the evenings. These cakes can be handed to leaders in the morning or the night before the camp starts.

Scouts will travel to and from camp in **full uniform shirt and trousers with scarves and woggles.** Smart shoes are not necessary. They should bring a small bag on the journey itself. This should contain a drink and a packed breakfast/lunch for the journey and when we arrive at the campsite. We will stop once on the way.

There will be also a combined information sheet, kit list and medical/permission form. The permission form must be printed, detached and returned before the camp.

Parents and carers can contact leaders by mobile during the camp if there are delays or other problems, but should **refrain from doing so unless there is an emergency. Please use SMS messages or instant messages if you can.** If an emergency arises on camp requiring your attention, we will contact you directly. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee mobile phone reception at any time during the camp.

Young people will sleep in canvas patrol tents. Boys and girls will be in separate tents, but will work together throughout the camp as they do on Troop nights. Which young people go in which patrol tents will be decided by the leaders on the basis of ability and experience.

If you have any further questions you would like to ask, regarding anything about the camp – weather, activities, food and so forth, please contact any of the uniformed leaders. You should let us know about any food allergies or medical conditions on the attached form or through further discussion. Anyone with vegetarian tendencies needs to let us know beforehand also.

Regards

Nick Hough  (Group Scout Leader)