



Crusaders Explorer Unit

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Dear

Crusader Explorer Unit:
Invitation to join the Explorer Scout Unit
Please show this letter to your parents

We have vacancies within the Explorer Scout Unit and I am therefore writing to invite you to come along and see what we get up to.

Explorer Scouts are co-ordinated at District level and you may wish to join any one or more units within the District. The Unit in North Baddesley is affiliated to 15th Romsey.

During the first few weeks you will spend some of the time working on your "Membership Award". The requirements are fairly straightforward and usually takes 4-6 weeks. So that you can join in the Unit Meetings to the full, we may ask you to do some of the badgework at home. In particular you need to learn the Scout Law & Promise. When they have finished the Membership Award, we arrange a short investiture ceremony where you make the Scout Promise and are presented with the badges for your Explorer Scout Uniform.

You do not need to wait until this point before wearing the Explorer Scout Uniform (except the Group/Unit Scarf which can only be worn once invested), but you will want to wait a few weeks to see if you enjoy "scouting" before buying a uniform.

If you have any concerns about the way the Unit is run, or indeed any other aspects of the Unit, please contact one of the Leaders or Helpers listed on the attached information sheets.

Details of coming events are included in this "welcome pack".

You are invited to start attending Unit Meetings from

Data Protection Act

We need to keep records of the various members in the Group - details about health problems, dietary requirements are needed for activities and camps. We also need to keep records of the activities undertaken, so we know when various badges have been completed. Under the Data Protection Act we must have parental consent to keep such records - even in paper form. There is a consent form in the pack which we would ask parents to sign and return.

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