

Hampshire Beavers 35th Birthday



What's happening

April 1st 2021 marks the 35th anniversary of Beavers launching in the UK and that is as good a reason as any to celebrate!

We are having 2 badges to mark the occasion. The first is a badge that celebrates the first 35 years of Beaver Scouting in Hampshire, featuring some of the exciting adventures we have been on together. The second is a challenge badge linked to other events happening throughout the next year. Both are approved to wear on uniform.

How to buy...

The badges are £1 each or £1.80 for both if you buy them together as a set. They can be bought at shop.bvr.org.uk where you can also buy some of our older badges at the same time. Postage is £3 per order or you can collect from Eastleigh. You can pay by cheque or bank transfer with card payment coming soon.

Need help?

Remember we have our Facebook group at facebook.com/groups/hampshirebeavers where you can share ideas and ask for suggestions. You can also email me on michael.collins@hampshirescouts.org.uk and I or one of my team will be happy to help!

Hampshire Beavers - 35th Birthday of Beavers Celebration Badge



This badge can be worn by Hampshire Beavers, Leaders and Young Leaders working with Beavers as it has been approved as an occasional badge.

There are no requirements for this badge, it can be worn from launch on 1st April 2021.

Chip is wearing his original Beavers uniform with turquoise necker and is surrounded by memories of great experiences he's had with Hampshire Beavers!

Hampshire Beavers - 35th Birthday of Beavers Challenge Badge



This badge is a celebration of the events that happen throughout the year. To earn this badge you have to complete a number of tasks around these occasions either individually or with your colony.

The events are broken into blocks of 2 months starting with April & May. You need to do a minimum of **3** tasks each 2 months. Of course you can do more as they link together well!

You need to complete a minimum of **3** pairs of months to earn the badges, though we'd encourage you to try all 6 if you can!

Of course we understand this is coming after a crazy year. If you have Beavers leaving in this time they can earn the badge sooner. If you already do something similar to one of the tasks then you can count that too, I'll make sure the Badge Police look the other way.

Ultimately this badge is designed to be a challenge, it shouldn't be earned too quickly but should be attainable for all who put in the effort.

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April & May		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
International Beaver Day	Make Beavers Masks	My Skills, Creative
7th April	Build a dam or den in the woods or using natural objects at your hall	Outdoors
Wildlife		
St Georges Day	Attend St Georges Day Parade / Event	My Faith / Outdoors
23rd April	Make shields and swords with crests	Creative
Scouting / England	Create dragon puppets (egg cartons on string or sock puppets work well)	My Skills
	Learn the story of St George	My Faith
Lag B'Omer	Have a bonfire and sing songs and make smores / damper bread	Adventure
30th April	Try archery - indoors or a have a go session	Skills
Judaism	Make bonfire cakes - youtube.com/watch?v=Uh9ebhX8Ny8	Cook
International Harry Potter Day	Make your own broomstick and play a game of Quidditch www.rulesofsport.com/sports/quidditch.html	Creative
2nd May	Learn and perform some basic magic tricks	Experiment
Fiction	Find out about owls, make an owl mask or owl craft - www.barnowltrust.org.uk/owl-facts-for-kids/owl-crafts/	Animal Friend
World Migratory Bird Day	Do the Birds of the World Challenge badge	
8th May	Make a bird feeder	Outdoors
Wildlife	Make colourful bird masks	Creative
Eid al-Fitr	Plan a meal - 2 courses with a healthy balance of foods	Cook
12th May	Charity Drive - collect food for a food bank	Teamwork
Muslim		
International Scavenger Hunt Day	Have a scavenger hunt	
24th May		

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June & July		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
Best Friends Day	Make a new friend any way you can think of	
8th June	Bring a friend night	
The Queen's Birthday	Make a fancy crown / hat	Creative
12th June	Create an afternoon tea and invite someone special along to serve it to (savoury and sweet food)	Cook
UK & Commonwealth	Make shadow profile pictures (like on stamps)	My World
	Make birthday bunting	
Litha (Solstice)	Make sun catchers - wonderfuldiy.com/diy-suncatchers/	Creative
21st June	Design a flower crown -flowers, plastic or paper	
Pagan	Sun foods - make foods that look like the sun	Cooks
	Create your own mini Stone Henge	Gardener
International Music Day	Learn a new song and sing it	My Skills
21st June	Play an instrument	Musician
NAIDOC week	Create your own Aboriginal style art	International
4th - 11th July	Make and try out your own boomerang	Creative
Aboriginal Australians	Indigenous music - make a rainstick or digiridoo	Musician
World Emoji Day	Create your own Emoji	Creative
17th July	Emoji Puzzles - cyphers, pictures, guess the film title from the emoji	Teamwork
	Send a text or email containing an emoji	Communicator

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August & September		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
International Spiderman Day	Create a superhero - draw and explain powers	Creative
1st August	Create a villain - draw and explain powers	
Fiction	Imagine a future where heroes are in the everyday. What would that be like? Discuss	
	Dress like Spiderman	
	Have a Silly-string fight	
International Book Lovers Day	Design a book cover - could be for your favourite story or a new one you've invented	Book readers
9th August	Make a book mark	My World
	Read 6 books	
	Visit a library	
Onam	Boat Race - (Vakkam Kali) this can be on the water or paper / toy ones in a tray	
22nd August	Tiger Dance (Pulikali) make tiger faces / masks and have a dance	International
Hinduism	Martial Arts (Onathallu) taster sessions	Health and Fitness
	Vegetarian food - look at and try some vegetarian food from the wonderful selection	Cooks
International Charity Day	Soup Kitchen - see if you can help	
5th September	Food Drive - collect and donate to a food bank	
	Cake Sale - have for a charity of your choice	
	Car Boot Sale - to raise funds for charity	
International Roald Dahl Day	Read a story or poem	Creative
13th September	Put on a small play	
	Invent a new character for a book	
Talk like a Pirate Day	Make Pirate hats, parrots and maps	Creative
19th September	Shanties / Jigs - learn and perform	Musician
	Talk like a pirate!	

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October & November		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
Do Something Nice Day	Plan something with your colony	
5th October		
International Chocolate Day	Chocolate Moulds - make chocolate shapes or animals	Cook
28th October	Sweet making - chocolate dipped strawberries / coconut ice / peppermint creams	
	Fairtrade Awareness -how this helps farmers	Global issues
Day of the Dead	Make sugar skull pictures / masks	International
2nd November	Learn about lighting candles safely	
Mexican	Make bread - as a gift to those who have passed on	Cook
	Remember those we have lost - photos / stories	
	Butterflies - make or learn about	
International STEM Day	Plan and build a machine	Builder
8th November	Decoding or math puzzles	My Skills
	Experiments	Experiment
Remembrance Day	Learn about Remembrance	
11th November	Take part in a Remembrance parade / event	
Channukah	Light a candle safely - and learn why they are used at Channukah	
28th November - 6th Dec	Make and play with a dreidel	
Judaism	Decorate a candle - wax crayons on grease proof paper then iron on to the candle	
	Reflection and thanks - 5 things we are thankful for and have done our best in this year	

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December & January		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
Elf Day	Create an elf character - draw and tell your leader 5 things about them	Creative
4th December	Write a short story / comic about an elf	
	Make elf hats and ears	
	Look at the different elves on TV and in books	Book Reader
Bodhi Day	Meditations - take part or discuss	Health and Fitness
8th December	Make and decorate a Bodhi tree - www.firstpalette.com/craft/3d-paper-tree.html	International
Buddism	Draw a Buddha	Creative, My Faith
	Make multicoloured light jars - youtube.com/watch?v=_zAwVywkmwU	My Faith
St Stephen's Day	Create Wrens - could be cards, ornaments or pictures	My World Faith
26th December	See a Pantomime	
Ireland / Christianity	Put on your own Pantomime	
Penguin / Squirrel Awareness Day	Learn about penguins and squirrels	
20th / 21st January	Find out about endangered animal status	
Wildlife	Learn about the animal habitats and if / how we can improve them	
	Make squirrel feeders - gardenandhappy.com/diy-squirrel-feeder/	
Burns Night	Make sweet haggis - hisforhomeblog.com/cakes-bakes/cakes-bakes-chocolate-haggis/ (leave out the alcohol, you can swap nuts for marshmallows)	My World Cook
25th January	Have a go at Scottish Dancing	
Scotland	Read some Scottish poems and write your own	
International Puzzle Day	Morse Code - try to work out then send a message	Communicator
29th January	Cipher - crack a coded message - wingdings is good for this	Teamwork
	Clue trail - follow some close to find out where to go next	

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February & March		
Occasion	Challenge Ideas	Badge Links
Chinese New Year	Make lucky envelopes	International
1st February	Zodiac bingo - astrology.com/chinese-zodiac	
Buddism	Make origami fish	Creative
	Chop stick game - move items bowl to bowl	My Skills
	Make Filo spring rolls	
	Learn some Mandarin	
St Davids Day	Make paper daffodils	Creative
1st March	Make a junk model dragon	
Wales	Learn some Welsh	My World
Shrove Tuesday	Make pancakes (could be tin can pancakes)	Cook
1st March	Have a pancake relay race	Health and Fitness
Christianity	Play a pancake tossing game	Teamwork
Maha Shivartri	Yoga - work through some basic poses or invite an instructor - youtube.com/watch?v=iHoErQuFw_4	Health and Fitness
1st March	Dancing - youtube.com/watch?v=IGVTHGVllYE	
Hinduism	Learn about Shiva	My Faith
	Make and gift Nan Khatai www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/cardamom-biscuits-nan-khatai	Cook
Purim	Create character masks from the story alphanom.com/family-fun/holidays/purim-mask-printables/	My Skills
16th - 17th March	Charity Drive - raise some money any way you want and donate it to charity	My Faith
Judaism	Mishloach manot - food gift basket of ready to eat foods, share so everyone has enough to eat	My world
Ostara	Egg Painting or marbling (craft or real eggs)	Creative
20th March	Meditation youtube.com/watch?v=CvF9AEe-ozc	Health and Fitness
Paganism	Write a prayer or blessing - mother earth /spring	My Faith
	Plant something	Gardener