



53rd St Barnabas Scout Group

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Dear Parents,

1. Please check the 53rd's Websites **Calendar Page**. The online Program has been posted until January 2021.
2. All sections of the 53rd Cubs, Scouts and Explorers have now got Messenger Chats up and running. All of these Chats keep the Group Scouting.

Simple Guide to using the Chats.

1. If you're not taking part in a meeting simply Mute chat so as not to be disturbed during the actual activity.
2. Please use the yellow thumbs up on the actual post and not the blue Thumbs up.
3. Questions that the answer is further up the chat will not be answered.
4. Please personal message Leaders rather than fill the chat with questions that might mislead others.
5. During the Zoom meetings no Cub/Scout/ Explorer is allowed to use the private message function and send messages to others. Anyone abusing the chat facility will be excluded for any further online meetings. If an incident does occur please take a screen shot and report.

3. We still have 28 members who have not completed the CSA Insurance and Enrolment forms. A text message will be sent out reminding Parents who have not completed this. The main problem being that when we do finally open they will not be **allowed back for at least two weeks** as this is the amount of time needed to complete the Registrations. The fees are €45.00 for one child and an extra €9.50 per 2nd and 3rd child. This is for the period September 2020 to end of August 2021.

4. This month Leaders have been talking to new members and Leaping Wolves online with Zoom calls getting them ready for Investitures into the Scouting Movement. As it looks at the moment, we do not expect to have meetings at our Scout Hut any time soon. It has been decided that all members that are ready will have to **pick up an envelope** which will contain their necker and any badges earned to that date. The envelope must be opened **ONLY** during the allocated Online Zoom meeting.

Once we are able to get back to our Scout Huts for meetings those members will make their Cub/Scout Promise on the Cub/Scout Flag. **Parents will be informed by Leaders when their child must have the envelope**. They will have two weeks to collect it from Skips Workshop. Skips contact number 99604211.

Yours in Scouting
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