



1st Wargrave Scout Group
Woodchuck Beaver Colony
Annual Report - 2015

The Woodchuck Beaver Colony has had another busy year

Last summer term we completed our outdoor challenge badge and had lots of opportunities to get out and about. We had our usual excursions to Bowsey woods making dens, exploring nature and chasing a flour trail, we enjoyed a picnic outing to Henley on the train and a couple of swimming and BBQ evenings, and we also managed a trip in May to the Warburg nature reserve in Henley.

In the Autumn term we worked on our global challenge badge learning about people in far away places. We managed some outing to Bowsey woods in the lighter evenings in September and highlights of the term were our spooky Halloween walk and our bingo evening. We also had a very good turnout for the annual Remembrance Day parade. In the later part of the term everyone practiced very hard for our show at the Woodclyffe Hall and we delivered a great performance of the happiest Christmas tree.

The Spring term saw us working on our creative challenge badge and we tried out our own scrapheap challenge, junk modelling as well as a creative cooking evening. We had a visit from Jason Staverly, our local Police Community Support Officer, and were able to try on various items of police uniforms. We also visited the local fire station in Wargrave and got to explore the fire engine...great fun! We enjoyed evenings celebrating Chinese New Year, fair-trade fortnight and making pancakes with some very interesting results! At half term after six years we said good-bye to Paul Worthington AKA Badger as Neil Day took over as leader, supported by Ken and Hilary Burke.

This terms Neil has unfortunately not been able to continue as leader due to work commitments and Ken and Hilary had kindly agree to step in to carry on the colony with support from David and Angie Milnes as occasional helpers, we do nevertheless desperately need more leaders to come forward to ensure the future of the colony and are currently looking for volunteers if you know anyone who can help.

Badger, Puffin, Mrs Puffin and Robin

