

# cubs

## 11th High Wycombe (Hazlemere)

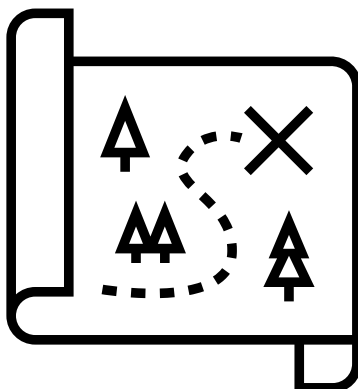
Issue 1

# Autumn Hike Fun!



Reported by Monty M,  
Green Six

I really enjoyed the 6km hike in November. It was a fun 4 hours of muddy exploration with a variety of activities to do along the way. Some of these were; litter picking, map and compass reading, cooking hotdogs on a stove and looking after our new mascot, Snaggle! We attempted to make a log bridge with Bagheera, but sadly ran out of time to finish making our den. I really liked being temporarily promoted to Sixer, and had an amazing time with the pack.



*If this sounds like fun, make  
sure you sign up for the  
Endurance10 hike in March!*

## Group Camp

Reported by Henry O,  
White Six

On Friday 15 September, twenty-four Cubs arrived at PACCAR Scout Camp in Chalfont St Peter for a two-night group camp. Everyone was a bit crazy in their tents on the first night and we didn't get much sleep.



On Saturday, we had an amazing day with lots of activities. The second night was very different to the first, with hardly a peep out of anyone, because we were all so tired. We were still tired on Sunday but did more activities and had fun. This was my favourite day because we did caving. The food was good. I particularly liked egg bread, which I had never tried before camp. I was glad it didn't rain during camp, but we did get very wet at the end! This was my first ever camp, and I would definitely like to come again.

Thank you to all the Leaders for giving up their weekend to take us to camp!



# Update from the Scout Hall

Reported by Malcolm, GSL

September saw lots of work done on the outside areas of the Scout Hall.

Huge thanks to Allan who led this work, assisted by volunteers who gave up hours of their time to shovel gravel and drive diggers. The gravelled area will provide a space for activities and provide parking for cars.



The rear of the Scout Hall has also seen a major transformation. The area has been cleared, levelled and turfed. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped get it to this stage. In future, we hope to use this grassed area for outdoor activities and camping.



23 September



29 September



5 October



28 November

More recently, there has been progress inside the Scout Hall. The plumber has been working on the three washrooms and cubicles. Two ceilings are now painted, and all the internal doors are in.



## Autumn Investitures

Reported by Akela

The investiture is a ceremony where a young person makes their Promise, is welcomed to Cubs, and becomes a member of their Pack and the worldwide Scout family. Congratulations to the 10 new Cubs invested this term:

Henry O

Oscar T

Jacob B

Luke G

James F

Sé P

Arlo B-H

Finley M

Luke R

William R

# Cub Activities this term...

Reported by Akela

We have been super busy this term, with most Cubs earning at least 5 Activity Badges – Artist; Backwoods Cooking; Scientist; DIY; and Home Safety. A huge thank you to our special guests who made it possible, RAF Wing Commander Ian and Inspector Tim of the Metropolitan Police Service.



Well done also to Monty M (Book Reader), Matteo B (Swimmer Level 2) and Henry O (Swimmer Level 2, Sports Enthusiast) who earned badges by completing activities at home!

# Akela's Challenge

## Four-Figure Grid References

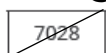
A 4-figure grid reference contains 4 numbers. The first two numbers are called the easting, which is the number you would look for at the bottom of the map. The second two numbers are called the northing and represent the numbers you would look for on the side of the map.

**7028**

Where these two sets of numbers intersect is the bottom, left corner of the square where you would find what you are looking for.

**Challenge:** On the grid on the following page, colour the squares according to the following instructions. The first one has been done for you.

### Orange:



### Red:

6724	6924	7124	7223	7323	7221	7321
------	------	------	------	------	------	------

### Green:

6824	7024	7224	7324	7222	7322	7220	7320
------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------

### Black:

6420	6421	6522	6623	6723	6725	6626	6527	6528
6629	6730	6631	6731	6831	6931	7031	7131	7231
7331	7431	6832	6932	7032	7132	7232	6833	6933
7033	7133	7233	6834	6934	7034	7134	7234	6835
6935	7035	7135	7235	7330	7429	7528	7527	7426
7325	7423	7522	7621	7620	7020	7022	6827	6926
7026	7126	7227	6929	7129				

## Festive message from the Leaders



Wishing the Cubs and their families a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year!

The Cub Leaders – Akela, Baloo, Bagheera, Chil & Raksha!

## New Website

The group has launched a new website. Visit the site to check term dates, uniform guidance and read the blog.

[www.phoenixscouts.com](http://www.phoenixscouts.com)

## OSM

We launched Online Scout Manager (OSM) this term. OSM allows you to view our programme of activities and keep track of badge progress.

## Calling Parent Helpers

Cubs happens when a lot of us give a little. You're not signing up for a lifelong commitment – just to help out, when and where you can.

If you are able to stay for the evening on an occasional Monday, we'd love the help – please get in touch.

## Key Dates

### 8 January 2024

First Cub meeting of 2024 – see you at the School Hall!

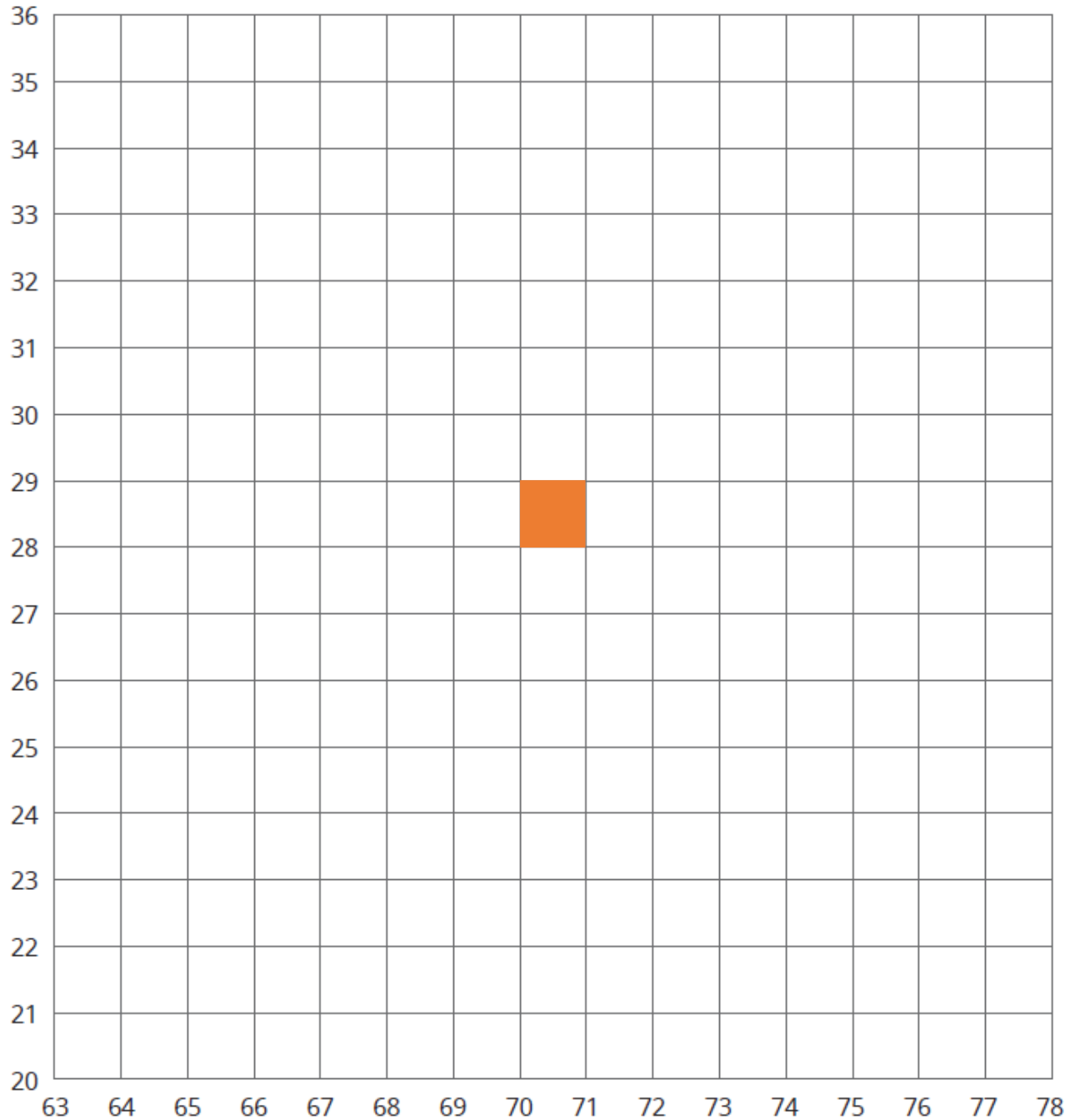
### 2 March 2024

Endurance10 County Cub hike. We are planning to submit 2 hiking teams from our Cub pack. Sign up on OSM.

# Akela's Challenge



Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## Remember...

1. Always go along the bottom before you go up.
2. Use the bottom left corner of the grid square.

This counts towards  
your Navigator Level  
2 badge!

