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Beavers

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Pack

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Troop

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Band

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JOB WEEKEND

This event scheduled in between 6th and 7th July 2024 is meant to initiate a sense of workmanship in our youngsters. In the past, it used to be for a whole week and all earnings were donated to the group. This coming event is not meant to gain any earnings but to motivate children and youth to carry out a job for its satisfaction.

Will keep you posted with the outcome of this renewed project.

Fri 5th Jul EIJ 2024- Leaders meeting the members @Bulebel 1900-2100hrs

This meeting is dedicated to all scouts attending EIJ. Its main aim is for us leaders and scouts to learn more about each other, communicate effectively and share relevant information on our trip abroad.

Attendance is obligatory. Please come in activity wear, scarf and get your stationary/crafts bag. We will need the latter to prepare Peglet (required for EIJ Opening ceremony) :)

Sun 7th Jul Quddiesa Zghazagh 2024 - Festa Fgura @Fgura Parish Church 1045-1130hrs

On the occasion of Fgura Feast 2024, Fr Raymond Calleja, Fgura Parish Priest is inviting all children and youth to celebrate mass with him. All group members shall be meeting at 10.45 at the Fgura Parish on 7th July. We shall not be marching and not in uniform.

Please wear activity shirts and scarfs only. Looking forward to see you there!

Mon 8th Jul Identifying Trauma in Children - Therapeutic Session @HQ 1730-2030hrs

On this occasion, the Group is sponsoring this event for **ALL Leaders** and is **also extended to parents**, free of charge.

Parents are gently requested to book by sending an email to the GSL (gsl@fgurascouts.org). The session shall be carried out by a Counsellor and the idea behind this session is to raise awareness on how we can support our children in addressing trauma which may originate from various aspects of life.

This is the best opportunity, one can get to learn more about physco-education.

Tue 9th Jul EIJ 2024- Leaders Meeting Scouts and Parents @HQ 1830-2030hrs

Only 18 days left from our trip to London/Essex!

This is the final meeting for all those who will be joining us for the EIJ 2024 and for their parents.

It is important that all participants and at least one of their parents attends this meeting. The meeting will serve as a final update before the camping trip and we will be distributing some items which we'll be taking with us to the camp and also finalising some paperwork. For this meeting please bring with you the following items which will be collected by our leaders for safe-keeping:

- Passport
- European Health Insurance Card (E111)
- Pocket money (Not more than €150 per attendee)

Mon 22nd Jul EIJ only- Mass before we depart @Bulebel 1715-1945hrs

This is our very last meeting before we depart to the UK. We shall join MGG for a mass celebration at Ta' Mliet Ch., Mosta. We shall meet at Bulebel in contingent t-shirt (diva blue), scarf and dark blue formal jeans. **Please get €2 for transport.**

Sat 27th Jul - Wed 7th Aug ESSEX INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE 2024 @Malta Airport 0430-1530hrs

It's Finally Here!!!

We have had so much preparation and activities leading up to this event! Pack your bags and head to the UK for an experience of a lifetime! Make sure you have everything packed securely in your rucksack and backpack and that you are at the airport on time. Bring a packed lunch (no drinks) with you in your hand-luggage, an empty water bottle and any electronics must be in your hand luggage. Health form, medicines and your phone will be collected at the Airport.

Beavers

Wed 3rd Jul

Annual Summer BBQ @Zonqor Point Parking Area

1830-2000hrs

No Summer is complete without a BBQ. Once again we are organising our annual BBQ at Zonqor Point. Succulent burgers and sausages are on the menu topped up with games and laughter.

A 5 euro fee will be collected on the day to cover food costs.

Fri 5th Jul - Sun 7th Jul

Job weekend - Beavers @Home

As part of the group's job weekend our beavers will participate by helping their parents at home.

Work can be in different forms such as cleaning the table, sort some cupboards, tidy their room, make the bed, etc. Please list the work done, hours and any comments deemed necessary.

More details will be communicated during the meeting.

Wed 17th Jul

A walk around Mdina @HQ

1800-2015hrs

This week we are heading west to walk around the silent city of Mdina and admire its rich history, folklore and traditions. Following the walk, we will relax a little in the playground and obviously play some games

A 5 euro fee will be collected on the day to cover transportation costs.

Beavers are to attend in full activity wear including scarf and bring some packed lunch and enough water for the duration of the activity..

Wed 31st Jul

Water Games @Gnien San Clement

1830-2000hrs

Today's meeting is a refreshing one since all beavers present will take part in a water games tournament.

It's advisable to bring an extra t-shirt just in case one end too wet and some water and packed lunch for the duration of the activity.

Pack

Dear Parents and Cubs,

This summer, for the months of July and August we will not be meeting each and every week for the reason that a good amount of leaders and members will be taking part in the EIJ this year between the end of July and beginning of August and this needs its own time and preparation.

Rest assured that we will return with a bang after these two months are over.

Cannot emphasize enough the importance of booking by the date indicated - even if it is on a Google Sheet uploaded on Facebook. We spend a lot of time chasing parents who do not leave a reply - both if they book or if they are unable to attend. We cannot afford to continue doing this - no other institution does - so from now onwards those members who do not book or leave a reply by the date indicated will be taken as not attending. I'm sure that the parents understand this decision. Please continue following our monthly circular and more important our Facebook Group to keep updated.

Looking forward to our Summer activities :)

AKELA AND PACK LEADERS

Sat 6th Jul Job Weekend (+LB) and (+MOB) @Virtual

This weekend will be dedicated to helping others and lending a good helping hand in whatever needs to be done; however with a difference.....

Each and every cub and MOB is to upload a video on the Pack Facebook Group (not very long - only important snippets) showing the member helping out either at home or in the community - at home; at grandparents;; anywhere in the community where members can do any household chore or even outdoor chores to make a positive difference as scouts.

We encourage each and every pack member to do this and extra points will be given to those who upload a valid video.

Fri 12th Jul Film (+MOB) @Galleria Cinema 1715hrs onwards

Our traditional July cinema activity to celebrate the Fgura Feast :)

Parents are to get cubs near the ticketing desk of Galleria Cinema from where we will proceed to get the popcorn and drink and then enter to see the film.

At the time of publishing this newsletter we will not know the exact time and film we will be watching, but from year to year the average timings remain the same and exact timings will be on our Facebook Group in the week of the activity however 5.15pm is a good estimate and film will finish around 8pm.

A google sheet will be uploaded on our Facebook Group by Akela at the beginning of July for booking to be done since we need to communicate the amount of cubs attending to the Cinema Complex, however Consent Form and payment shall be brought on the day.

Consent Form + Eur 7 which includes a popcorn and drink (soft drink or water) to be brought on the day. Cubs today can come in casual clothes.

Fri 19th Jul Night Hike (+MOB) and (+LB) @HQ 1815-2145hrs

We will be meeting at Bulebel to go for a walk in the evening summer breeze.

Cubs can get a packed lunch with them, enough water to drink and some money to buy an ice cream :) all in a small padded backpack and they should come in activity uniform with cap & scarf.

Cubs are to get Consent Form with them on the day. Further details about the hike will be given at a later date.

Troop

Sat 6th Jul **Job Weekend at AMO Academy +MOV @Bulebel** **0830-1230hrs**

As part of the Job weekend, the Troop shall visit AMO Academy. This company specializes in Health and Safety. Throughout our visit, you will be given an introductory session on Risk Assessments and later you will participate in a hands on workshop.

Please come in activity wear and scarf and get a bottle of water.

Bookings and transport fee of €3 were collected during the Pizza and Movie night.

During today's meeting we will collect €4 from Fekruna Patrol members only for their Surprise activity taking place on the 13th of July.

Fri 12th Jul **PLC @HQ** **1730-1900hrs**

PLC for PLs and APLs only. Please come prepared to plan August according to your members' badge progress, whilst keeping in mind the 26 week programme. Secretary to get minutes and Chairman to prepare Agenda.

Fri 12th Jul **Mapping Sessions +LB +MOV @Bulebel** **1900-2100hrs**

During today's meeting you shall split into two groups according to your badge progress. Some of you will be planning the route for the 10km night hike of next week. Whilst most APLs will deliver sessions on basic mapping and country and highway code to their younger members.

Please get with you consent form, the Mountaineer Award book, and those who have one, please get your map kit.

During today's meeting we will collect bookings and €5 for Paddle boats.

Sat 13th Jul **Fekruna Surprise Activity @Bulebel** **0830-1230hrs**

It's a surprise activity for the best patrol Jan-Mar. We won't say much, but... this activity will involve a short hike and a swim.

So, you need to get a consent form, a swimsuit and towel, snacks, a bottle of water, comfortable hiking shoes, cap, sunblock, first aid kit, and a snorkelling mask if you have.

Please note that €4 for transport were collected on 6th July.

Fri 19th Jul **Night Hike +MOV @Marsaskala Parish church** **1800-2130hrs**

Parents, please take note that meeting will start at Marsaskala and end at Birzebuga. Tonight we shall start our 10km trek from Marsakala church and end at Birzebuga pretty bay.

Please get your personal and patrol equipment required for your trail. Get head torch, loads of water, cap and sunblock, comfortable hiking shoes and proper socks (no ankle socks) for a long hike.

Fri 26th Jul **Paddle Boats +LB @Marsaskala St. Thomas Bay** **1730-2000hrs**

Our PLs and APLs would like to organize a fun summer activity before some of the scout members depart to Essex. We shall go for a swim and ride paddle boats! **Bookings and money €5 for this activity were collected on Friday 12th July- Sessions.**

Please come in activity wear, bring your towel and swimsuit. Girls to come in one piece swimsuit or two piece + t-shirt. Feel free to get €2 for an ice cream :)

Unit

- Thu 4th Jul** **Executive @HQ** **1900hrs onwards**
Tonight we will be meeting for another executive meeting. Please come with ideas so that we could build an excellent programme this year.
For executive members only
- Fri 5th Jul** **EIJ Participants meeting @HQ** **1900-2100hrs**
Only for participants attending EIJ. More info in the group header of the circular
- Sat 6th Jul** **Job Weekend @.** **0900-1100hrs**
More details will be given at a closer date.
- Tue 9th Jul** **Final EIJ Meeting @.** **1830-2130hrs**
Final info meeting before EIJ, only for participants attending EIJ with their parents. More info in the group header of the circular.
- Thu 11th Jul** **Sessions and Presentations @ MOV @HQ** **1900-2100hrs**
Today our recruits will do their presentations for the Theseus badge and we will also meet for some light sessions. It is imperative you attend to respect your friends.
- Fri 19th Jul** **Joint activity with Marsa Scout Group @Polverista** **1900-2300hrs**
We have another joint activity, this is with Marsa Ventures. This activity is being organised by our VSL for his course, more details to be given at a later date.
- Sat 27th Jul - Wed 7th Aug** **EIJ:) @Airport Departure Hall** **0430-1510hrs**
The day we've been waiting for has finally arrived. For participants attending EIJ. please be at the [airport departure hall at 4:30am](#). Make sure to bring all the required equipment with you.

