Wistaston 35th SWC

Camp Survival Sheet - Cubs

Cub Camp is one of the most exciting and enjoyable things you will do during your time in cubs, but it can also be a scary place until you get used to it. Follow these simple rules and you will not only survive camp but also wish that the next one would come sooner.

Simple Rules

1) Don't worry if you are nervous about going on camp, you won't be the only one.
2) If you are worried about something, talk to a leader about it before you go.
3) Help to pack your own bags. That way you will know what you have brought and will be able to find things when you need them.
4) If you have a problem while on camp (during the day or the night) tell someone. The more you keep it to yourself and worry about it the worse you will feel. We are yet to find a problem that cannot be quietly sorted out. We don't mind being woke up in the night and always have things like spare clothes and sleeping bags.
5) Look after your own things and respect other people's things.
6) Try your best. If you are given food that you think you will not like, try it you may be surprised. If we are doing an activity that you think you will not be any good at, try it you may be surprised.
7) Be sensible when it is time to be sensible (e.g. meal times or when rules and instructions are being given)
8) Don't bring your favourite clothes; they will probably get very muddy or even worse, ripped or torn.
9) If you don't know how to do something – ASK and we will teach you. If you're struggling with something – ASK and we will help you.

Kit List (*These items are only a guideline)*

Arrive at camp **full uniform**	[ ]	Teddy Bear (soft and cuddly)	[ ]	Sleeping Bag	[ ]
Good Walking Trainers or Boots	[ ]	Spare Pair of Old Trainers	[ ]	Blanket	[ ]
3 Complete Changes of Clothes	[ ]	Plastic Bag (for wet clothes)	[ ]	Karri Mat	[ ]
1 extra Warm Jumper	[ ]	Torch (+ spare batteries)	[ ]	Small Pillow	[ ]
2 extra Pairs of Socks	[ ]	Waterproof Anorak or Similar	[ ]	Night Clothes	[ ]
Wash Kit and Towel	[ ]	Hat and Gloves (cold weather)	[ ]	Any Medication	[ ]
Swimming shorts	[ ]	Cap (hot weather)	[ ]	(in marked box)	

Notes for parents

1) All items of kit should be identified with the child's name, packed in one bag (i.e. suitable rucksack, hold all)
2) Children should be able to carry all their own kit. (Parents are **not** allowed down to the hut or camping field so please do not be offended when you are not allowed beyond the car park)
3) All sleeping bags should be inside a large plastic bag and attached firmly to the child's main kit bag.
4) Please do not pack sweets in the kit bags, as we will provide sweets at appropriate times during camp.
5) We would be grateful if you could provide a cake or biscuits that we can use for break times. This allows us to keep the camp costs to a minimum.
6) All children must arrive in full uniform.
7) Please encourage your child to **pack** their **own bags** as this will mean they know where to find items when they need them.
8) Mobile phones and electronic games are not allowed on camp unless a leader gives permission. Please do not hide mobile phones in your child's kit bag as it encourages them to ring home instead of talking to us if they have a problem, it means we can not do our job in caring for your child. It also **really** upsets the other children.
9) During this event leaders may take photographs of the children for display on the Scout Hut Notice Boards. If you would like us not to include your child in these pictures please make a leader aware of your wishes.
10) Saying goodbye can be hard. If you think your child may get upset when you drop them off, try allowing them to travel to camp with a friend and their parents. It's harder for you but much easier for your child.
11) If you child is upset when you say goodbye at the beginning of camp DON'T WORRY. We guarantee they will be smiling and having fun with their friends 5 minutes later, any problems and we WILL call you. 'Drop and run' is often the best way as they do not get chance to get upset.
12) If your child returns from camp with items that belong to other children, or items missing, this is perfectly normal (please, do not give them a hard time over it). They will have shared a room or tent with many other children so clothes getting mixed up WILL happen. Camp is where they will start to learn to look after their own and other people's property. The more camps they go on ☺ the better they get ☺. Make sure everything has your child's name on and it should find its way back eventually.