

## Sea Scouts Getting Back Together Safely

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Dear Parent/Carer of Andrew

Safely resuming face-to-face Scouts outdoors

I'm so excited to let you know that we're now able to restart running outdoor face-to-face activities at the Marine Lake with 4th Heswall Sea Scouts. Given the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic will be an ongoing part of daily life for some time, there'll be some restrictions on what we do and how we do it. This letter is a summary to let you know the steps we've taken to make sure we keep everyone safe, it also contains links to more detailed information and documents.

### KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

**Firstly**, anyone with COVID-19 symptoms, or who has been in contact with anyone who has COVID-19 symptoms (within the last two weeks), shouldn't come to any face-to-face activities, and should follow government guidelines on self-isolation and testing.

**Secondly**, young people who are shielding or are in another vulnerable group might not be able to return to face-to-face activities at this stage. If your child's shielding or in another vulnerable group, please contact me directly so we can chat through some options.

**Thirdly**, should you or your child present COVID-19 symptoms following a face-to-face activity you must inform our leadership team so we can cease further activities, notify other participants confidentially, and release our full Track & Trace register to the relevant authorities.

We're also aware some young people,



including young people with additional needs, might need new or different reasonable adjustments putting in place to support a return to face-to-face Scouts – again, I'm happy to discuss this with you.

Scouting improves wellbeing and is inclusive, we support all our members to the best of our ability.

## Pre Activity Requirements

- Read and complete our [COVID Compliance webpage with your Scout](#)
- Consent/agreement for every individual in your household that wishes to take part or help out is required.
- PLEASE ENSURE WE HAVE ALL YOUR DETAILS (and that they are correct on OSM)
- We will have a Zoom meeting before we meet up.
- We will be arranging our Sea Scouts into four water activity groups based on the completed compliance forms.
- Once we start, young people cannot switch groups.

## Arrival and Departure Arrangements

- The car park is secure against non lake licence holder vehicles.
- We will send the gate code to parents for each session (this changes daily)
- Please ensure that your Scout arrives lake ready.
- Named water bottle allowed, no bags, no towels.
- Please keep bags/warm clothes/towels in your car.
- We ask that you remain in the car when dropping off.
- We ask that you remain in or near your car when collecting
- We would prefer that you spectate (at a distance) or remain local for the duration of the activity (1 hour on the water)

## Hygiene and Safety

- We will have an outside hand wash station and regular hand sanitising
- Face coverings worn when three or more are in the small safety boat
- The safety boat will be equipped with a COVID Hygiene kit & face masks
- Buoyancy aids and bibs are treated prior to each session

## Social Distancing

- Young people will not be allowed to congregate inside the boathouse
- Young people will be assigned a boat buddy to assist launch and recovery
- All participants must practice social distancing at all times
- One group at a time on the jetty

## Other Measures in Place

- There will be no onsite changing facilities
- There will be no onsite toilets, the session will be sufficiently short
- All touch points are treated with eco virucidal cleaner before every session

## Track & Trace

- We're required to keep a register of those attending to help with the track and trace process.
- Should a participant present symptoms the activity will cease and all parents of children taking part will be informed confidentially.
- Should a participant present symptoms post activity the leadership team must be notified, we will cease all activities and all parents will be informed confidentially.
- the Track & Trace register will be released to the relevant authorities should a participant be symptomatic.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP



If you are able to attend and help keep our young people safe please see our website about helping out at fourth.

Under AMBER conditions a maximum of 15 people can meet, 9 of which will be Scouts for water activities, 12 once we resume land based activities.

[HOW TO HAVE MORE FUN AT FOURTH HERE...](#)

**FULL DETAILS HERE**

We're all looking forward to getting outdoor activities back up and running again, so we can gain more skills and have more fun together. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

A full in depth COVID-19 Risk Assessment and Operating Procedure can be found in our Group's public share folder:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Pel86hmRRJHZdA3ypuF3FUbrdoks1xQc?usp=sharing>

We plan to chat with adults and young people before we meet, we will be running a Zoom session to discuss the risks, expectations, measures and procedures that will enable us to get back together safely, the zoom invite will be sent separately soon.

## PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DETAILS HERE

Please check and complete your emergency details in OSM here:

<https://www.onlinescoutmanager.co.uk/login.php?g=896b562a-6521-4e2c-b9f2-e6339a075383-1597776771>

Please read and complete the three forms on our COVID-19 Compliance webpage here:

[4th Heswall COVID-19 COMPLIANCE WEBPAGE](#)

We look forward to (hopefully) seeing you soon!

Best wishes,

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