

TUESDAY BEAVER COLONY

May 2016

HLNR. A visit to the HNLN was arranged for a litter pick. Beavers got to use the litter picking tools.

Visit from Guide Dogs for the Blind. Yve and Ben visited. The Beavers had to wear a blindfold and follow a trail to see what it is like to be blind or partially sighted and also got to meet Faye, a very experienced guide dog.

Democracy Badge Beavers had a fun evening where we set up a mini polling station and Beavers had to post a vote out of three different chocolate bars. To finish the badge a visit to Pontypool town hall was arranged. Beavers met the Mayor - Giles Davies - and asked him lots of questions in the mayor's parlour.

JOTT. A group walk was arranged around Llandegfedd reservoir and a much appreciated BBQ was laid on for us half way around the walk.

Tree Spirits. A fun evening spent using clay to make shapes that are then stuck onto trees and decorated with what we can find lying around the trees.

June 2016

Pets At Home visit. Beavers enjoyed an evening holding various animals including hamsters and guinea pigs.

Pond Dip at HLNR. Another fun evening thanks to the HNLN team who helped the Beavers find all sorts of interesting water bugs.

Fire Station Visit. Interesting visit to Cwmbran fire station. Beavers learned what to do in an emergency, how to prevent the cause of a fire in the home and the dangers of lighting fires outside in open areas.

July 2016

Beaver Scouts 30th Birthday Party. Gwent area Beavers organised a fun afternoon to celebrate the Beaver Scouts' 30th birthday. There was a birthday cake and lots of activities for the Beavers to enjoy along with a sunny afternoon.

September 2016

Blackberry Picking. Beavers had a walk in the area surrounding the School and enjoyed blackberry picking.

Shelter Building at Blaen Bran. Beavers had to work in teams and, using what they could find around them, create a shelter. We also built a small fire and discussed fire safety and the importance of ensuring that the fire is completely out before leaving.

Cookout. An evening cooking smores and twists over a gas stove.

November 2016

Remembrance Parade. A circle route parade around old Cwmbran stopping at the Cenotaph for the placing of the various wreaths.

Ringos (Pontypool Ski Slope). We visited Pontypool ski slope where the Beavers enjoyed an evening using the rubber rings to slide down the ski slope and also had to pull the rings back up again, so at the end we had very tired beavers.

December 2016

Trampolining. The Beavers enjoyed an evening on the trampolines at Energie trampoline centre in Newport.

Christingle. Beavers enjoyed an evening at Llanyravon Church where they sang lots of Christmas songs and carols and ate mince pies afterwards.

January 2017

Big Garden Bird Watch. Beavers were given a sheet with different birds on. They had to spend 1hr recording what birds they saw and enter the results on the website.

February 2017

St David's Day. Beavers decorated Welsh cakes - lots of chocolate spread sprinkle and jam everywhere!

March 2017

Easter egg hunt. Beavers enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at Blaen Bran woods.

Map reading town centre. Beavers learned how to orientate a map of the town centre, find various shops and identify basic symbols i.e. car parks and telephone boxes.

April 2017

Making Easter Egg Nests. Beavers used melted chocolate and cereals to create Easter nests.

Planting. Various plants to take home and grow.

May 2017

Completed Navigator Badge. Beavers learned the basics of using a compass.

Badges Achieved: health and fitness, communicator, democracy, navigator, disability awareness, camp craft, hobbies.

5 Beavers moved up to Cubs, 4 bronze awards given.