

The Beavers have had a very busy year as we've moved out of lockdowns and Covid restrictions and been able to meet in-person and do lots of fun activities! We have done a lot of badge work, some visits in and around Westhill, and had some special visitors in to meet us.

Some of our highlights have been the campfire evenings (which we've had a couple of, as the Beavers enjoy them so much!), learning a lot about different cultures through having our own Chinese New Year and Burns Night celebrations, and learning a lot of new games and sports – although the Beavers always like to go back to some of the old favourites including 'helicopter' and 'jump the river'.

The Beavers learned about bike maintenance and cycling safety before undertaking a bike ride from Westhill to Kirkton of Skene, which earned Beavers their cycling badge – and they enjoyed a play at the park and some ice-lollies as the midway stop.



We had a visitor (Gordon) come in to tell us about his challenges of living with a prosthetic limb as the Beavers earned their Disability Awareness badge and asked him a lot of good questions. A local Police Sergeant (Graham) also visited us to tell the Beavers about what the police do, and help them with personal safety learning for their Safety badge, which they found really interesting.

Other trips included a night-time trail around Arnhall Moss, a visit to Skene Church, a fun evening tubing at Garthdee, and an evening at the Westhill Mens Shed where the Beavers all learned how to assemble and paint their very own bird boxes!



We said goodbye to Mel as she handed over leadership of the group to Alastair and Iain. A big thank you to Mel for all her efforts, and to all our parent helpers over the last year. Many thanks to our Young leaders Aaron and Cameron, who organised and ran activities and all the parents and grandparents who helped over the last year. We are always on the lookout for more helpers and assistant leaders, so if you are interested then please get in touch

Mel, Alistair, Iain, Aaron & Cameron