



18th NOTTINGHAM BOYS BRIGADE COMPANY
CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH
BAKER STREET, HUCKNALL
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NEW SESSION 2014/15



Dear Parent/Guardian,

We will start again on Thursday 11th September 2014. The times and subscriptions for each group are below...

Group	Subscription * ¹	Start * ²	End
Anchor Boys	£1.30	6:15pm	7:15pm
Junior Section	£1.50	6:45pm	8:15pm
Company Section	£1.80	7:45pm	9:15pm

Enrolment Form

Please complete the enrolment form and return it on the 11th September. These forms are important as they provide information necessary for insurance purposes and enable us to handle any incidents should they arise. If you forget we will have spare copies for you complete on the evening.

Subscriptions Increase *¹

Due to a reduction in funding and a financial loss in the last year of around £400 we have reluctantly had to make a small increase. This is our first price increase for 3 years, and we believe we are still one of the cheapest youth organisations in the area.

Safety *²

An increasing number of children are arriving too early and staying after their session has finished. Whilst we appreciate that some of you have children in different sessions, and occasional unplanned delays do occur, the leaders cannot prepare or tidy up if they are also having to look after children. Additionally this creates other issues, not least insurance if a child is hurt when they are not supposed to be here. We do hope you understand and thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Uniform

Uniform is an important aspect of Boys' Brigade giving a sense of pride and unity. We would like to have all children in their correct uniform as soon as possible after the start of the session.

We do have a few good condition second hand items available at £5 per item. We will also consider part exchange for your existing items if in good condition.

Uniform consists of a polo shirt and sweatshirt, the remainder of the uniform is made up of black trousers, black socks, black shoes as usually worn for school. This uniform is the dress uniform for formal occasions such as parade services.

For Company nights (Thursdays) it is more practical to wear more informal dark jeans or tracksuit bottoms instead of trousers. It should be noted that points are awarded for personal presentation therefore the smarter dressed children tend to win prizes.

Parade Services

Parade services are held one Sunday every month starting at 10:30am. The children parade into Church for presentation of the Company colours and then join others for various activities. The children are expected to attend Parade Services and once again points are awarded for attendance.

Recruitment

We have a few places in the Anchors and Junior sections if you or your child knows of a friend who is interested in joining please bring them along.

Events/Outings/Camps etc.

As we have to plan our year in advance, and regularly have to pay fees /deposits at the time of booking or several months in advance of the event, in future we will give a deadline for deposits/payments to be made. If the deposits/payments are not received by the deadline, then unfortunately names will have to be removed from the event list. Due to us losing money last year we will also have to enforce that deposits are non refundable after the due date. Once again we do hope you understand why we are having to make these changes.

Staff Required

If you would like to join the team of volunteer helpers then we would be glad to have you on board. Maybe if you have a child who has moved sections this September and feel you could offer your help then please have a chat to one of us. Remember we all started off with our own children and we are currently short of helpers in some sections.

Looking forward to an enjoyable new session and don't forget to visit our website for the latest information.

Regards



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