



1st Buckie Company Boys' Brigade



October / November Newsletter

Enrolment: many thanks for your patience and understanding. It has not been easy trying to accommodate all the boys, but we have managed to come up with a programme covering four evenings.

FINAL INTIMATION

We have several boys waiting on the reserve list for various age groups. A number of boys from last session have not yet been re-registered and will be removed from the register on Friday 23rd October if their Form and Fee are NOT handed in!

We need to be fair to the boys on the waiting list so that they can also make a start on the week beginning 26th October.

Remind parents/carers that we require the fees to be paid before the 26th October for those who have handed in a registration form but no fees!

All meetings will be in the South & West Church hall.

Monday:	Anchor Boys...Primary 3 :-	6 – 7pm
26 th	Junior Section...Primary 5 :-	7.30 – 8.30pm
Tuesday:	Anchor Boys....Primary 2 :-	6 – 7pm
27 th	Junior Section...Primary 6 :-	7.30 – 8.30pm
	Company Section...S4 :-	7.30 – 8.45pm
Wednesday:	NO ACTIVITIES	
Thursday:	Company Section...S1 :-	6.30 – 7.45pm
29 th	Company Section...S2 :-	8 – 9.15pm
Friday:	Junior Section...Primary 4 :-	6 – 7pm
30 th	Company Section...P7 / S3 :-	7.15 – 8.30pm

For the foreseeable future the following will apply:

- No armbands or hats.
- No Band, Gymnastics, Bibleclass or Battalion events.
- There will be NO Face to Face fundraising.
- COVID 19 guidelines will apply.

Enrolment Service: The Enrolment Parade/Church Service has been cancelled for this session. We hope to have a “virtual” service involving our Queen’s Men. Further information to follow.

Remembrance: The Anchor Boys had a programme of “poppy making” last session. With the poppies made, they covered the Communion Table in the Church. This programme is to be extended and boys in the Anchor Boys, Junior Section and Primary 7 will be participating this session in the week leading up to

Sunday 8th November. The plan is to extend on what was done last session and have the garden area at the front of the church covered in poppies and the Communion Table, Pulpit area and stairs also covered in poppies. The result will be shown through the Company Facebook page.

Armistice Parade: Again, the Company will not be on Parade. Queen's Men and Officers may be involved.

Battalion Cross-Country: The Battalion Cross Country was due to be run in November. This also has been postponed.

Facebook/Website: Our Facebook page continues to have a high profile and is highly spoken about in BB circles. Allan Cowie is the Administrator and most of the work is done by himself. Our website is also continually updated.

Non-attendance: Please contact us if your son is **NOT** going to attend on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday as we must ensure that we adhere to all the guidelines at present. Equally, if your son decides to leave the Company, please get in touch as we are operating waiting lists in various ages.

Summer Camp: As stated in an earlier Newsletter, we have a booking for the weekend camp next June. Please get your deposits handed in so that we can confirm numbers by the end of November. A reminder that a full refund will be given if the camp does not go ahead due to COVID 19. Opting out for any other reason will result in losing the £25 deposit.

London 2021: Numbers are very low at the moment. A decision will be made at the end of November!

Uniform: Any questions re uniform should be referred to Jennifer McIntosh. We will try to get uniform organised for all boys by the end of October.

Trampoline: No decision has been made as to whether the trip to Inverurie will go ahead.

National Competitions: There will be no National Competitions this session. Fortunately for our badminton team, who reached the Scottish final, they will have the opportunity to play the final and then compete in the UK final. Here's hoping!

Anchor Boy Party: No decision has been made as to whether the party will go ahead or not.

Sponsors: Our list of Sponsors continues to grow! We are indebted to them for their support.

Badges: Although armbands are to be kept at home, we are still going to ensure that the boys' badges are updated on a regular basis.

Crafts: Crafts will be an integral part of the Junior Section Programme. New badges will be available at set times throughout the session for boys who have completed various craft activities.

Nights Away Badge:

New badges have been produced for boys attending an overnight stay. 1,3,5,10, etc are now available. We have back tracked for boys currently in the Company and we will try and get the boys the badges that they have gained. eg. If a boy has been to 3 weekend camps, he would be entitled to the 1 night, 3 night and 5 night badges. and the list goes on! If you receive the wrong badges or think that we have got it wrong, please get in touch with the Company. All overnight experiences count, weekend camp, London, Queen's Badge courses.



Service Badge (see Newsletter heading):

The 2020/2021 badge has now arrived and boys who have registered and paid their fee will receive their badge.

Community Badge (see Newsletter heading):

Similar to last session. Boys collecting more than £5 (jar of coins) will receive the latest community badge.