



1ST BUCKIE COMPANY.... Update!

We are in a situation unique not only to Boys' Brigade but to other youth organisations and clubs throughout the UK.

With this in mind, we are looking to the future with a view to starting as soon as it is possible.

Currently, we have not got a let for the school and this itself is a huge problem for our Junior and Company Sections. We will address it once we get Anchor Boys up and running.

Our Anchor Boys, Primary 3 only, will continue to meet, from Monday 26th October from 6 – 7pm. Our new intake, Primary 2, will meet in the Church hall on a Tuesday, starting on 27th October from 6 – 7pm.

The new Queen's Men are currently working towards their badge and are being closely monitored.

A further Newsletter will be circulated as soon as we have information re our school let. It may be that we will have to take "age groups" at various times throughout the week during the months of November, December, etc.

Financial Update

Although we have had no meetings / activities, the Company still, financially, has regular expenditure for the foreseeable future. We have also to remember that we have no coffee morning planned, which raises upwards of £1400.

We recently paid our equipment insurance (£138), stationery (for Newsletters, etc) and in November will have our annual capitation fees to BB HQ (£2600). We also will shortly be sending off an order to BB Supplies for uniform, armbands, badges, etc.

With this in mind, we are asking that each registered boy is being asked for £25 to be paid by 31st October. This will contribute towards the running costs of the Company until we have a clearer picture of the way forward.

<p>The Consent Form and Registration Fee will allow the Company to register your son with BB National.</p>

Gift Aid

We continue to claim Gift Aid on Annual Subscriptions and with the £2,000+ returned from the government, we would appeal to you, the parents/carers, to consider Gift Aid.

There are no cost implications.

Please fill in the attached form and return.

Junior & Company Sections

We will be up and running with the Anchor Boys on Monday 26th / Tuesday 27th October. Other Sections will be advised a.s.a.p. as we are dependant on getting back into the school and failing that, what would be available in the Church. A further Newsletter will be circulated post 26th October.

Band / Gymnastics

Reminder that Band and Gymnastics, as per National Guidelines are still suspended at this point in time.

Queen's Men

Our 8 Queen's Men are currently working on their badge and are up to speed with Community, Interests and Physical. They are struggling at the moment with Company service but we will make up for lost time once the Company is operational.

In this difficult and uncertain time, we ask you for your patience and understanding. If you are unsure of any matter concerning your son / programme ahead, please contact myself on 01542 832999.

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