



Welcome Back to the Pond in 2005 !!!

It's time for another "News Blast" from the Blackburn Beavers Press Release Centre. As we now move into the second half of the Beaver year---we wanted to make mention of a few things for your consideration.

THE NEW BEAVER SCHEDULE

Please find attached the "planned" schedule for the remainder of the year. Not all events have been 100% confirmed but this is a good outline for what is coming. Please note that there are a few nites where we request PARENT attendance to assist the Beavers during that meeting. These meetings are a great time for you to have some real fun sharing the experience with your Beaver. We hope that you will be able to attend.

If for any reason you should lose the Schedule---see Ringtail immediately to get a replacement copy. Knowing what is upcoming is designed to make EVERYONE'S life easier.

OUTDOOR MEETINGS

Please make sure that your Beaver is dressed appropriately to meet the weather elements that may be present (or threatening) during our outside times. Nothing is worse than a Beaver being cold or wet or feeling less than prepared for what is going on.

INDOOR SHOES (during Winter and the Spring thaw period)

Sock feet offer little or no traction for Beavers in the gymnasium. This can potentially present a dangerous situation prior, during or after the meeting. We ask that Beavers bring a pair of indoor shoes to wear when we are in the gym.

BEAVER BADGES PROGRAM

Just a reminder that when a Beaver has any of the 4 Badge sections complete on their Badge Form (2 items signed by an adult and 1 item signed by a Beaver Leader) they are to bring their Badge Form sheet to any INDOOR meeting @ Emily Carr and show it IMMEDIATELY upon arrival to a Leader. One of our Leaders will then "confirm" with the Beaver the exact three things that they did to earn their badge(s). Once this discussion is finished, the leader will sign off on that Badge's section and hand the form to Ringtail. Ringtail will do all Badge presentations at the end of each meeting where he is handed finished forms. If you have any further questions about this or need a replacement form---please see Ringtail. We want every Beaver to get as many badges as they wish to and/or are able to earn. (And we hope that this has been/continues to be a fun opportunity for YOU to share with your Beaver)

BEAVER LEADERS NEEDED FOR NEXT YEAR (2005 - 2006)

During our recent Leaders' meeting we spent some time discussing the start of next year's Beaver Program in September. And, it would appear that the time has come for a few more of our Leaders to leave the Pond (sooner or later little Beavers grow into mighty Wolf Cubs !) With this information coming to light we would like to "start the ball rolling" to see if there are any of you who may have already considered (or might consider now) becoming one of our Brown-shirted crew. Please give this some thought and speak to any member of the Leader team if you would like some more info or want to pursue this thought further. Hopefully we can find 2 or 3 people now before the hectic crazy days of early September are upon us.

DUES (also known as BEAVER FEED)

A gentle reminder that **\$1 a week** from each Beaver is appreciated (to help meet costs such as Badges, Supplies, Party Favours and the like).

CAMP OPEMIKON WEEKEND (Friday nite, June 03 - Sunday afternoon, June 05)

A great family way to end the Beaver year ! Start making plans to join us now.

SEE YOU 'ROUND THE POND

