



25th Stirling (Dunblane) Boys' Brigade - Anchor Boys
Fun, friendship, faith and skills for boys in P1-P3



The Fun Begins

25th Stirling (Dunblane) Boys' Brigade - Registered Charity in Scotland No SCO40043

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We are pleased to welcome your son to the Anchor Boys this year and hope to provide a variety of fun activities on Wednesday evenings (6.05-7.10pm). The activities will include games, music, craft and exercise. The door of the hall will remain closed until 6.00pm to allow us to set up for the evening. Please do not drop your children off and leave them before that time. We would ask you to collect your child from the hall at 7.10pm promptly.

This year the suggested annual donation, which replaces any weekly collection, is £30 and should be paid as soon as possible. If you are a UK taxpayer, we would ask that you consider signing a Gift Aid form. If you would like to make an arrangement to pay in instalments then please let us know. There are also discounts for families who have more than one son in the company (see separate sheet).

Stirling and District BB supplies depot is located in Friar Street, Stirling and is open for the sale of uniforms and other supplies on Wednesday evenings from 7.00-8.00pm and Saturday mornings 10.00am-12.00 noon. You can also purchase items online at <http://shop.boys-brigade.org.uk>. Uniform will also be on sale at the enrolment night on Friday 22nd August at the Cathedral Hall.

Anchor Boys uniform consists of a red sweatshirt and school trousers/shoes. In the past, we have ordered sweatshirts for the boys if you can't make it to the supplies depot yourself. Can we please ask that ALL items belonging to your son(s) be marked with his/their name(s) as a priority? Thanks.

As a Christian organisation, we encourage boys to attend Sunday School. Any of our leaders would be happy to introduce you and your son to Sunday School leader. This year the boys will be given a Sunday school attendance card which can be marked up by their Sunday School leader. See back page for a list of Sunday School times.

We are in the new position of having a waiting list for Anchor Boys this session. This means that if any boy is absent for four weeks, it will be assumed you no longer wish to keep his place and it may be offered to a boy from the waiting list. Please note that the waiting list is organised by school year group and not overall numbers, so one boy's leaving does not automatically mean a place becoming available to a boy from a different year group who is on the waiting list.



We hope that your son will enjoy taking part in all activities with the Anchor Boys. If you have any questions or need any more information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kirsty Smart

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Officer in Charge

August 2014



A Wee Reminder...

Anchor Boys starts at 6.05pm. It is important that all boys are dropped off in the hall by a parent or guardian. This is for the boy's safety and to ensure that at least 2 trained leaders are in the hall. It is a legal requirement for health and safety and child protection that at least 2 leaders are present for the meeting to go ahead. On the majority of occasions that is not an issue but there may be a time when a leader is caught in traffic and we would kindly ask that a parent assist until a second leader arrives.

The door to the hall will be closed until 6.00pm to allow for set up. Please do not drop your child off before this time; please escort him into the hall when you do drop him off.

We would ask that parents do not wait outside the building for their child at the end of the meeting but pick them up from inside the hall. We cannot allow boys to leave the hall unsupervised, as this would put their personal safety at risk.

Parents wishing to speak to me or any other officers are asked to do so at the end of the evening unless it is really urgent as the start of the night is always quite hectic. You can always e-mail or call in advance.

If there is an occasion where you are unable to drop off or pick up your child please contact me and I will try to make other suitable arrangements for you.

Thank you.

Kirsty Smart

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We will also be assisted throughout the year by boys in S4/5/6 from Company Section who work with the younger BB sections as part of their volunteering towards the Queen's Badge, the highest award in the Boys' Brigade.

The local churches are:

St Blane's Church – 10.00 – Church service and Sunday school.

Dunblane Cathedral – 10.30- Church service and Sunday school

Dunblane Christian Fellowship – 10.30 – Church service and Sunday school.

The Church of the Holy Family – 11.00 – Family Mass and Children's Liturgy.

St Mary's Church – 10.30 – Church service and Sunday school.