



## ***KESTRELS ANNUAL REPORT 2024***

Kestrels have had another fantastic year full of fun and adventure.

We've held two camps this year; the first being a Space & Alien themed camp at the Scout Hut and our second at the awesome Paccar together with Hawks cubs. We set up a mini-village for our stay and had 28 Cubs attend all enjoying zip wires, crate stacking, abseiling and the fun of camping in the great outdoors. Even the rain couldn't dampen the Cubs' smiles. We'll finish the year with a Sixers and Seconders camp in July where we'll focus on some of the activities they will soon be experiencing in Scouts.

Our weekly programme has been just as exciting with bike rides at Dinton; hikes around Wokingham, geocaching, kayaking, navigation at South Hill Park, strawberry picking, a visit to the National Grid and the Berkshire Scouts Dragon Boat Regatta.

We've had seven Cubs earn with their Silver Chief Scout award, a fantastic achievement and a culmination of much hard work – congratulations to them all.

The Kestrels Cubs wouldn't exist without the huge help that we receive throughout the year, and so I would like to finish by extending my thanks to; our parents for your help with our parent-rota and massively at our camp; our superb Kestrels Leaders for their never-ending enthusiasm and commitment to Scouting: Elaine, Ella, Roy, Dina, and our predecessors Martina, Sarah and Doug; our two great Young Leaders, James and Joseph; and Amanda for her never-ending support, optimism and guidance in her Group Scout Leader role.

I hope you all have a lovely summer holiday, and we look forward to seeing you for more fun and adventure in September.

**Steve Gray,**  
**Kestrels, Akela Cub Scout Leader**



