# **Dates for your Diaries**

#### March 31st Brigade closes for Easter April Palm Sunday 2nd Easter Bonus Ball £100 draw 5th Good Friday 7th Easter Sunday 9th 12th Officers and Helpers meeting in Lower Hall at 19:30. 19th & 21st Brigade re-opens after Easter 28th – 30th National Band Concert weekend at St Mary's Beverley May Coronation of King Charles III 6th **Company Parade Service** 14th D of E Gold presentations at Buckingham Palace 15<sup>th</sup> **22**nd Regimental Band Practice at Christchurch Ashton. 26thBrigade Closes for half-Term. June 7th & 9th Brigade re-opens after Half-term. July Regimental Parade at St Ann's Manchester 2nd Brigade Council Meeting on Zoom. 8th **Company Parade Service** 9th 19th Summer Bonus Ball £100 draw 21st - 23rdBronze qualifying expedition. 21st Brigade closes for Summer 25th – 31st Manchester Regimental Camp – Outdoor Activity Week.

### August September

6th & 8th Brigade re-opens after Summer

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# Easter 2023 Brigade News

# **Our Newsletter for Easter 2023**

## Brigade will be closing for the Easter break.

Our last nights will be

Wednesday 29th March and Friday 31st March 2023.

We will re-open on Wednesday 19th and Friday 21st April 2023.

Easter Sunday (9th April 2023), will be the 2nd Sunday but it will not be a Parade service (no uniform required) but please join us in Church as we celebrate Easter.

The service starts at 09:30.

All the other service for Holy week are on the Church leaflet and website. www.stmarksheyside.org.uk

# Coronation Badges.

We will all be receiving a new badge to mark the Coronation of King Charles III to wear on our uniform or arm band.



#### Instrument lessons.

We have started recruiting new members into the band having short lessons on Wednesday before Yteam and JTC.

When we return after the Easter break we are looking to start lessons and practices on Fridays between 6pm and 7pm in the lower hall whilst the Martins are meeting upstairs. It will allow us more time to work with the learners than Wednesday currently allows, and we hope that as many as possible will be able to move to Fridays. If anyone else would like to play an instrument then let us know.

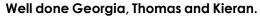
#### De Paul Nightstop.

Thanks to everybody who bought squares on our name-card. It was won by Honey Brook and raised £30. Brigade donated a further £20 and we sent the £50 to De Paul Nightstop with a letter from Finley Beverley. Finley has received a very nice reply thanking him for his efforts and for thinking of the young people. The money raised enabled a young person to stay with with them for 3 nights, have a hot meal, a shower, a bed and someone to talk to. De Paul would then help them to find them somewhere to live and change their life.

#### Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Over the weekend of 25th /26th of March three of our senior members undertook their Expedition Practice for their Bronze Award. With 4 members from St James Gorton, they undertook a two day hike with an overnight Camp. They were self sufficient during all that time, carrying all their food and equipment. They set off from Waterhead, visiting Grains Bar, Crompton Moor and Piethorne Valley to get to their camp near Ogden reservoir. They returned via Jubilee, Dunwood Park, High Crompton, Summit to finish at

Tandle hills. They did really well and despite a farmer blocking their path and sending them on a big detour, finished in good spirits. The weather was very wet on the Saturday and cold on the Sunday.





## Regimental Camp.

Our Regiments annual camp to Scotland is a little different this year as it takes place from Tuesday 25th to Monday 31st July 2023. The camp takes place in the Queen Elizabeth Forest at Aberfoyle and is a fantastic adventure week with leaders and members from all over Manchester. Information has been circulated but we need to know anyone who is interested very soon so that arrangements and transport can be booked. See John if you have any questions.

# Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw.

03-Dec-22 23 Brenda Knight 03-Dec-22 23 Daniel Corbishley 10-Dec-22 54 No Winner 17-Dec-22 32 Richard Walker

17-Dec-22 32 Susan Corbishley **21-Dec-22 31 No £100 Winner** 

21-Dec-22 31 No £100 Winner 24-Dec-22 19 Simon Colebrook

**28-Dec-22 30 No £100 Winner** 31-Dec-22 19 Simon Colebrook

04-Jan-23 26 £100 Lindsay Maclure

07-Jan-23 18 Susan Corbishley

07-Jan-23 18 Johnnie Hartley

14-Jan-23 24 Mark Ford

21-Jan-23 18 Susan Corbishley

21-Jan-23 18 Johnnie Hartley

28-Jan-23 25 Peter Corbishley

04-Feb-23 56 No Winner

11-Feb-23 50 No Winner

18-Feb-23 29 Sarah Fitton

25-Feb-23 35 No Winner

04-Mar-23 7 No Winner

11-Mar-23 49 Dorothy Gibbons

18-Mar-23 58 No Winner

25-Mar-23 28 Marion Read

We have quite a few spare numbers if anyone wants to join.

The Christmas £100 draw rolled over twice before it was won by Lindsay Maclure No. 26

The Easter 2023 bonus draw for £100 will be drawn on

Wednesday 5th April 2023.

# Brigade finances.

We are extremely fortunate at St Mark's that we have a lot of very supportive and generous people in our Church Congregation and parents of past members, as well as you current parents who support us through our Bonus Ball club. It allows us to concentrate on the activities we provide and supporting members going to camp and providing instruments without constantly having to fund raise. We welcome anyone over 16 to join our Bonus Ball club and support us. We also ask any parent who pays tax to allow us to claim back the gift aid on your subscriptions. If you sign a declaration we can claim approx. 20p on every £1 you pay us. This enables us to keep subs low and pay our annual fees to NHQ so we are insured.

See John or email johncorbishley@btinternet.com to help support Brigade in either of these ways.

# New Members to Brigade

We would like to welcome our new members to Brigade:

In the Martins we have Lillie Warburton, Poppie Jebb, Millie Devine and Willow Hardman and in the Yteam we have Honey Brook.

We also have a new Leader, Ian Wood has joined us from Holy Trinity Shaw.