



Important Information

Please read the following notes as they contain information that is important to ensure a smooth departure for our journey to Germany.

Personal Kit Drop-Off Evening

In order to ensure a smooth departure on the Monday morning, we will be collecting the following items on Friday 23rd July, 7-9pm, at Littleport Scout Centre.

- Packed Rucksacks
- Folding Chairs
- Cutlery Bags*
- Passports
- EHICs
- Camp Bank money in an envelope (see below)
- Spare inhaler (if appropriate)

This applies to all contingent members from Ely, Cambridge & March who are travelling in the main coach; those Explorers who are travelling separately should bring their Rucksacks, chairs & cutlery bags – but will need to retain their Passports & EHICs. Everything will be stored securely so it can be easily loaded on to the coach.

** These are the mesh bags that were given out at the meeting on Sunday 27th June and should hold the knife, fork & spoon plus plate, bowl & mug – if you didn't collect a bag at the 27th June meeting then bring items separately and we will give you a bag.*

Coach Journey

The main contingent will be travelling by coach – this includes all Scouts, those Explorer Scouts who are not travelling separately and 5 Leaders. In addition, 13 of the older Explorer Scouts will be travelling separately by public transport, starting on the Saturday afternoon; and 6 Leaders will be travelling in 3 cars with all the equipment, starting on the Sunday morning.

Those travelling by coach need to stick to the following timetable on the morning of Monday 26th July:

- Everyone from Ely & March should arrive at Littleport Scout Centre, in full uniform, by **5am**
- The coach will leave Littleport at **5.15am**
- The coach will pick up those from Cambridge at Milton at **5.40am** – the pick up point will be on the Ely Road, outside Symbian (see map below).
- The coach should arrive at the campsite in Germany by **5pm**
- You should bring a packed Breakfast plus some money for spending on the ferry (we suggest £10) - we will provide lunch on the journey.
- You must travel in uniform, inc. trousers & belt – you may also bring your contingent T-shirt or polo shirt to wear on the coach.
- When the coach arrives we will phone the Home Contact so the information can be passed down the Telephone tree (see below).

Please do not be late as we are booked on a ferry from Dover and cannot wait – the contact on the Monday morning only is David Briston (07905 422598).

Return Journey

The main contingent will be returning by coach on Wednesday 4th August. The coach will be leaving the camp site at 8am and in order to get a ferry that has been booked for 5.20pm. We are expecting to arrive back in Littleport, with a drop-off at Milton, about 10-11pm. We will phone ahead when we leave Dover so that our estimated arrival time can be passed down the Telephone Tree (see below).

Accommodation

If anyone from Cambridge or the March area would like to stay in Littleport on the night of Sunday 25th July then we can arrange accommodation. Please contact Ian Weatherall as soon as possible to arrange this.

Electronic Items

You may bring mobile phones or MP3 players in order to listen to music on the journey; however, these are brought at your own risk and we can take no responsibility for them. Bear in mind that there are no facilities on the camp to recharge them; there is no mobile phone signal on the campsite and the surrounding area; they are not covered by insurance and may be expensive if used outside the UK. Hand held Games players should not be brought. Cameras are OK but bear in mind that there are no recharging facilities.

Spending Money

We are suggesting that each participant should bring no more than €50-€80 (in Euros) each for the trip - plus £10 for spending on the ferry. We will be running a Camp Bank (see below).

Camp Bank

For the trip to Germany, we will be running a voluntary Camp Bank.

If you would like us to look after you son/daughter's money please put it in an envelope, clearly marked with their name and the amount in Euros. The money should be in small notes – 5, 10 & 20 Euros – no large denomination notes, please, as these can be hard to change.

During the trip we will distribute the money in amounts appropriate to each day's activities – with the balance being given out on the final day.

Again, this is purely voluntary but past experience has shown that this can help ensure that the money brought lasts throughout the whole trip.

The money, in an envelope, must be brought along with personal kit on the evening of Friday 23rd July where it will be collected from you.

Dietary Requirements

If your son/daughter has any specific dietary requirements that we need to know about, and you have not already told us, could you please contact Ian Weatherall as soon as possible with details.

Badges

You should have been given a Union Flag badge and 2 Germany contingent badges – if you do not have these, please contact Ian Weatherall. These badges need to be sewn on the uniform shirt prior to departure. The Union Flag badge goes on the right side of the shirt, above any other badges on that side. The Germany contingent badge goes on the left side of the shirt, above the pocket and any other badges. This should replace any Mepal, Denmark or other special badge.

Telephone Tree/Home Contact

We are in the process of setting up a Telephone Tree to provide details of arrival & departure. We will let you have details before departure.

Milton Pickup Point

Monday 26th July, 5.40am

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