

## Welcome to SCOUTS New Zealand.

We know that your family will enjoy the benefits that SCOUTS offers. Please feel free to talk to us should you have any queries on issues not covered here.



**Keas** is a programme of discovery for **school years 1 to 3.**

Through the varied activities of the Kea programme we try to help Keas to:

- Share their belongings with others
- Feel secure as a member of the Keas
- Gain confidence in themselves through activities
- Care for nature and the outdoors
- Develop simple life skills
- Progress to the Cub section.

### The Kea Motto

I share, I care  
I discover  
I grow

They also have a promise, which they are encouraged to live by:

### The Kea Promise

I will try to share my fun and help others



**Cubs** is a programme of exploration for **school years 3 to 6.**

When you join Cubs you'll become a member of a group called a 'Six'.

Join Cubs and have lots of fun, explore new things, make new friends, experiment, accept challenges, and experience the life of being a Cub.

Cubs make a promise; this is used as a guideline for meetings and activities.

### Cub Promise

I promise to do my best,  
To do my duty to my God,  
To the Queen and my country,  
To help other people  
And to live by the Cub Law

### Cub Law

Cubs do their best  
Think of others  
And do a good turn every day



**Scouts** is a programme of exploration for **school years 6 to 10.**

When you join Scouts you'll become a member of a group called a 'Patrol'.

Join Scouts and have lots of fun, explore new things, make new friends, experiment, accept challenges, and experience the adventurous Scout life.

Scouts make the following promise, it forms a basic guideline for everything that SCOUTS do.

### The Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise  
To do my best  
To do my duty to my God  
To the Queen and my country  
To help other people  
And to live by the Scout Law



**Venturers** is a programme of achievement and leadership for **school years 10 to 13.**

Join Venturers and have lots of fun, explore new things, make new friends, experiment, accept responsibility, and lead an adventurous Venturer life.

Venturers also make the Scout Promise; it forms a basic guideline for everything that SCOUTS do.

### The Scout Law

A Scout is Loyal and Trustworthy  
A Scout is Considerate and Tolerant  
A Scout is a Friend to All  
A Scout Accepts Challenges with Courage  
A Scout Uses Resources Wisely  
A Scout Respects the Environment  
A Scout has Self-Respect and is Sincere



**Rovers** is a programme of service.

Rover Crews operate separately from Scout Groups.

Rovers offer service through greater community involvement and increased self-awareness.

Rovers also make the Scout Promise.

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## What you can expect from SCOUTS

### Joining

On your first visit you will receive this information about SCOUTS and a Consent and Application to Join form to complete. Your child has 3 free visits to decide if SCOUTS is for them before they are invested.

### Investiture

New members make the Promise and are then presented with the Group scarf, a woggle and a membership certificate.

Members are required to have a uniform and an award book for the ceremony.

The uniform and award book can be purchased from [www.scoutsdirect.co.nz](http://www.scoutsdirect.co.nz).

Sometimes uniforms are available second hand. Please discuss with the Leaders the uniform and how it should be worn.

### Subscriptions

Subs are levied to assist in meeting the fixed costs of running the Scout Group, support and organisation from the Regional Office, National Office and support from the World Scout Organisation. Like most voluntary organisations fundraising is done on a regular basis to meet specific events and projects where your assistance is most welcome. Some events may attract their own charge, full details will be provided prior to the event.

## SCOUT FACTS...

Many of our volunteers were not SCOUTS when they were younger but have learned new skills and made new friends through SCOUTS.

There are roles to suit most interests and a sense of satisfaction to be gained through providing existing skills to assist youth development.

Our volunteers say they are more confident in their everyday lives as a result of their involvement with SCOUTS.

## What SCOUTS can expect from you

### Safety

Safety to and from meetings at our Scout Hall is important. Please make suitable transit arrangements. Car-pooling works well for some parents. Please let the Leader know when you may have a delayed pick up or if someone else will be providing the transport.

### Absence

If your child is absent for any reason please call us.

### Behaviour

Good behaviour is the responsibility of the child, parent and leaders. Everyone is expected to cooperate, follow instructions, and treat people and property with respect. Leaders use positive reinforcement and a reward system to encourage appropriate behaviour.

### Parent Help

The Leaders and Committee of the Group firmly believe that parents and caregivers have an important role to play in supporting youth and the Group.

How you can help? Some of the many ways are: -

Parent help

Become a leader

Provide transport

Clean the Scout hall

Share your skills

Provide resources

Sew scarves

Assist with fund raising/working bees

Become a committee member.

We are all volunteers in Scouts and your help and support is important and appreciated.

## SCOUTS

### is growing ...

and more Leaders and helpers are needed to help take SCOUTS exciting adventure programmes to the youth who want to join.

**KEEP THIS FOR YOUR REFERENCE**

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