

# March 2020

As I write this, Thinking Day has just happened and International Women's Day is approaching.

World Thinking Day is a chance for us to connect with 10 million Girl Guides and Scouts across the globe and shout about the amazing things we do.

The theme for 2020 was Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. These values are at the core of what we do as we work to ensure that all girls receive the same great guiding experience.

Our units and members recognise diversity by embracing the common differences that may exist among people, including social and economic background, height, weight, hobbies and interests. We also strive to make sure all members - no matter what their identity or background - feel supported and involved in guiding and celebrate what makes them truly unique.

Interestingly, International Women's Day is also embracing the same theme as expressing it as "an equal world is an enabled world".

Individually, we're all responsible for our own thoughts and actions - all day, every day.

We can actively choose to challenge stereotypes, fight bias, broaden perspectives, improve situations and celebrate women's achievements.

Collectively, each one of us can help create an equal world.

Let's all be #EachforEqual.

Thank you for all you do to enable our girls to celebrate their uniqueness and to take their place equipped for an equal world.

Helen

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### Be Safe Space Compliant

Let's try to be Level 1 and Level 2 Safe Space compliant by Easter!

Level 1 and Level 2 Safe Space can be completed online. You do not need to login to GO; you just need to find the e-learning on the website and add your membership number at the end (so that your GO record is updated). It takes about 30 minutes, including an online questionnaire.

All volunteers need to complete Level 1. This includes Young Leaders, DofE volunteers, Admin roles, occasional helpers - in fact, everyone on GO.

Unit Helpers, Assistant Leaders, Leaders, Leaders in Training, and Young Leaders need to complete Level 2, including the online questionnaire.

We hope you are able to help each other complete Level 1 and Level 2.

If you need any help, please email Julie Barker - Training Adviser via training@ggcw.org.uk.

### **Awards and Achievements**

Congratulations to Beth K, of 1st Yaxley Brownies, on achieving her LQ!

### **Autism Training**

Tuesday 17 March · 1900-2100 Godmanchester Baptist Church, PE29 2BJ

We will be holding our first Additional Needs training this term with the support of trainers and young ambassadors from Ambitious about Autism (https://www.ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk/). This session will provide leaders with practical advice and resources to increase your understanding of autism. This session aims to help you identify how to make your unit more autism friendly and increase your awareness.

There are limited spaces available on this training, so please contact the County Office via office@ggcw.org.uk. If you have any questions, please contact Lucy - Additional Needs Support via additionalneeds@ggcw.org.uk.

### Rainbow Big Day Out

#### What is it:

The County is running a Rainbow big advetnure at Sundown Adventureland. This will be a fun-packed day for the girls to enjoy all the adventures that Sundown has to offer. More details about Sundown Adventureland can be found here: https://sundownadventureland.co.uk/.

#### When and Where:

Saturday 27 June · 0800-1800 · Sundown Adventureland, DN22 0HX

Cost: £26.00. Deposits by 30 April; full payment by 30 May.

#### Information for Leaders and Booking form:

https://ggcw.org.uk/docs/RainbowBigDay\_Leader\_Bookingform.pdf Information for Parents:

https://ggcw.org.uk/docs/RainbowBigDay\_Parent\_Letter.pdf

There are a limited number of spaces so please book early to avoid disappointment.



# **Training Information**

### Upcoming training:

\* Guiding wear is to be worn for all trainings \*

Please book via the County Office at office@ggcw.org.uk.

#### **Detailed training information:**

http://www.ggcw.org.uk/events/training

\* You will need to be logged in to view this page.

#### First Response Full Course £23.00

Saturday 21 March · 0900-1600 · Sawtry Old School, PE28 5UY Sunday 26 April · 0900-1600 · Sawtry WI Hall, PE28 5TS Saturday 13 June · 0900-1600 · Pyramid Community Centre, PE3 8NZ

#### First Response Refresher £15.50

Saturday 04 July · 0900-1300 · The Guide Cabin, St Ives, PE27 5BH

#### Safe Space Level 3 £5.00

Saturday 06 June · 0930-1230 · Sawtry Old School, PE28 5UY

### Programme Planning £5.00

Tuesday 24 March · 1930-2130 · The Guide Cabin, St Ives, PE27 5BH



#### Young Leader Workshop

Sunday 26 April 2020

• Contact: rangeradviser@ggcw.org.uk

#### **County Outdoor Art Event**

June 2020

• Contact: artsadviser@ggcw.org.uk

#### Rainbow Big Day Out

Saturday 27 June 2020

• Contact: office@ggcw.org.uk

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 Information for Parents: https://ggcw.org.uk/docs/RainbowBigDay\_Parent\_Letter.pdf

### Ranger and Young Leader Camp

July 2020

• Contact: rangeradviser@ggcw.org.uk

#### EuroJam 2020 in Poland

Monday 27 July to Thursday 06 August 2020

• Contact: international@ggcw.org.uk

### **County Brownie Sleepover**

November 2020

• Contact: holidayadviser@ggcw.org.uk

# Helping Hands More Ways to Help Girlguiding Cambs West

#### **County Team**

We are still looking for people to join the team and have the following vacancies available:

- Guide Adviser
- Queen's Guide Adviser
- Administrator for International Selection (this role is shared with the International Adviser)

No previous experience is necessary - just enthusiasm to help provide experiences for members of Girlguiding Cambs West.

We are a very friendly County team and you will be given lots of support if you would like to join us. Please contact Liz Zientek - Programme and Adventure Chair at programme@ggcw.org.uk.

#### Task and Finish Groups

Many exciting events are being planned, but in order to have these events become a success, we need your help - you do not need to have experience - every little helps!

You do not need to be an expert - just someone with enthusiasm to share the fun and adventure of Guiding with others.

If you are interested, please e-mail the Programme and Adventure Chair at programme@ggcw.org.uk.



# Go Social with Girlguiding Cambridgeshire West



https://www.facebook.com/groups/girlguidingcambswest/



http://cambswestgirlguiding.tumblr.com



https://twitter.com/ggcambswest



http://www.girlguidingcambswest.org.uk

### **Contact Us**

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Telephone: 01480 877307 Email: office@ggcw.org.uk

Donate to County Building: http://www.justgiving.com/cambswestgg

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