

St Mary's Beverley CLCGB

April Newsletter



Welcome back to Brigade after the Easter holidays! We hope everyone has had a lovely break and is feeling refreshed and ready to get started again after the two weeks off.

Inside this newsletter, you'll find out what each section has been up to over the past term, along with key dates and important updates for

the weeks ahead. It's been a busy and successful start to the year, and we're excited to share some of those highlights with you.

Looking ahead, we have a number of band performances and camps to look forward to, as well as plenty more activities planned in the lead-up to summer.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 26th - Sunday 28th June

Y-Team and JTC joint camp, hosted at Raywell Scout Camp.

During the weekend we will be making trips to Flamingo land and Big Fun.

Friday 10th - Sunday 12th July

Festival of Drill and Music/125 year anniversary camp, Raywell Scout Camp

This weekend will be open to Y-Team, JTC, Seniors and all band sections.

Consent forms will be sent out soon and the cost of the weekend will be £15.

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

At the start of the year our Seniors walked around Beverley looking for cryptic landmarks before returning for hot dogs.

In February, Y-Team learnt all about the Chinese Zodiac and how the Jade Emperor hosted a race to determine the order of the Zodiac cycle. Y-Team celebrated 2026 being the year of the Fire Horse which has been known to represent independence, confidence and adventure.

Seniors, JTC and Martins all made a visit to Beverley fire station in March. Our members got the chance to sit in the engines, try on the uniform and speak to staff who demonstrated how to use some of the equipment.

Thank you to Alex, Harry, Zac and Ellis for allowing us to visit!

Leading up to Mother's Day and Easter our members got creative making cards, Easter buns and also got green fingered potting plants and decorating planters.

Over the Easter break some members of our band attended a concert at Hull Minster to watch Lionel and Jacob perform with the 150 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps Band.

This was a fantastic experience for our younger members and we all had an amazing time watching the performance!



BAND NEWS AND UPDATES

Since the start of the new year, the band has been enjoying learning some new music as we prepare our programme for the summer proms concert. We've also been busy practising our drill for the St George's Day parade in York. This parade will be a first for some of our younger members, and we're really excited to see them performing through the streets of York at the end of the month.

In February our Junior Band represented our brigade at Beverley and East Riding Golf Club, where the Mayor of Beverley, Councillor Alison Healy, hosted her Civic Dinner in support of our minibus appeal. Our leaders are very proud of their hard work and commitment in our performances and through this event an amazing £2,045 was raised!

Thanks to the success of our development band, several of our junior members have made great progress and are now settling into the senior band really well. As a result, we've decided to pause the development band sessions on Thursday evenings for now,



REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

6:00pm - 6:45pm | Junior Band

Includes focused practice in sections (Brass, Mallets, and Drums) as well as occasional drill rehearsals to develop members skill to march with instruments.

7:00pm - 8:45pm | Senior Band

We will begin seniors with 30 minutes of sectional rehearsals followed by a full band rehearsal for the rest of the evening.

until we have more younger members ready to take that next step. In the meantime, our Thursday rehearsals will run as detailed below.

As we resume rehearsals, we will be taking photographs of all instruments and asking members (or parents/guardians of members) to sign an agreement. This agreement confirms that, should an instrument be damaged while in their care, they agree to provide appropriate compensation. This process helps ensure that all instruments are properly looked after, while also protecting members from any potential misunderstandings by clearly recording their condition from the start.

We kindly remind members that all brass players make sure they bring their own spit cloths to rehearsal. A simple tea towel or flannel works perfectly and should be kept with your instrument at all times. To help maintain good hygiene and keep our rehearsal space clean, spit cloths should be taken home and washed regularly.

UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Friday 24th April

East Riding Theatre Performance

Sunday 26th April

St George's Day parade, York

Saturday 30th May

Short performance, Scarborough RNLI

Saturday 6th June

Annual Proms Concert, Oldroyd's Corner, Woodmansy Garden Centre

Saturday 20th June

Performance at Cross Street, Beverley

Saturday 5th July

Beverley Armed Forces Day (TBC)

Friday 10th - Sunday 12th July

Festival of Drill and Music/125 year anniversary camp, Raywell Scout Camp

We'd really appreciate your help in sharing our upcoming performances on social media or with friends and family.



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