



# Introduction to the Cub Scout Section

The Cub Scout section is all about getting young individuals into small groups to start to explore independence, teamwork, leadership, adventure and the outdoors in an exciting and free environment where risk is there, but safely managed. As Cub Scouts, you are trying new things, developing deeper friendships and furthering leadership skill development.

The program is developed based on the four Challenge Areas – Community, Creative, Outdoor and Personal Growth. Through these, you should experience a wide range of opportunities. The Challenge Areas are also key to supporting your growth and achievement. They link in to the Program Essentials Milestones part of the Achievement Pathways.

In Cub Scouts, you will complete some of the Program Essentials by coming to Scout nights and by doing the Scout program. The Scout program is the activities you do at Scouts. The Program Essentials are your core experience in Scouting:

- Introduction to Scouting
- Introduction to the Cub Scout Section
- Milestone achievements
  - » participating, assisting and leading in activities based on the four Challenge Areas
  - » reflecting on your adventures

The program may operate for the whole Unit, or it may be focused on individual Patrols. All Cub Scouts will be involved in the activities of the Unit through either their Patrol or whole Unit adventures. Activities will occur in patrols, and the tracking and recording of Milestones and achievements are primarily managed through the Patrol. Each activity might be a new or different challenge for each Cub Scout, and it is your involvement during these times that will guide your achievement of Milestones.

The Achievement Pathways will help you get the most out of Scouting. If you follow the Achievement Pathways your Scouting journey will be fun, challenging, adventurous, and inclusive.

