

### **Tales from the Scout Hut**

The District St George's Day Parade took place on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April when we joined all the other groups from our district for our annual parade and service. We lined up at the Caesar Memorial on Walmer Green and from there we paraded to Walmer Bandstand for the service. The flags were flying in the wind and the service was made memorable when Rev Chris Spencer turned water into wine! Each section renewed their Promises which is always a special moment. The rain held off and the sun came out as well, which is always a bonus!

At the time of writing, our Scarecrow creations for the village Scarecrow event are well under way using both Modroc and papier mache to make our master pieces. There has been a great deal of mess created and with the hut full of heads created by all sections. By the time you receive this you will have hopefully have seen our finished efforts near the Post Office and shop depicting our take on the Harry Potter books. More on this next month, and possibly some photos!

After this event, the Beavers plan a hike at the end of May while Cubs are holding a dodgeball competition and starting work on their Environmental Conservation badge. At Scouts and Explorers, we are now starting to wind up to our biggest event of the year which is our week-long camp at the Kent International Jamboree at Detling which takes place at the end of July. The leaders have been holding planning meetings about this since early last year and now the excitement is mounting. This time all the subcamps have been divided into continents and sub-continents. We are on the Interamerica Camp and we have been allocated Honduras as our country. We have been busy researching the food, geography and climate of Honduras and at Scouts we are holding a Honduran night at the end of May. Each group is encouraged to build a gateway to their camping area so we are hoping that our gateway will reflect both Honduras and Wingham (no mean feat!) and we will be building it this month.

We would like to wish all our young people, past and present, who are taking exams this month masses of good luck and best wishes for the future.