

# Raising Funds for the World Scout Jamboree

Dear All

Four Scouts/Explorers from 1st Kesgrave Scout Group have been selected to attend the 25th World Scout Jamboree in Korea in the summer of 2023 as part of the Suffolk and UK Contingents. This event will see over 40,000 Scouts from across the world come together for nearly two weeks of cultural exchange and Scouting adventure. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

As you can imagine, funding such an adventure is a challenge. Each participant must fund-raise the entire cost of their Jamboree experience, which is approximately £4,000. Part of this fee is a solidarity payment to give their fellow Scouters from poorer nations the opportunity to attend this life changing event with them.

To help them achieve this target they have already run a car washing day and a tombola at the Kesgrave Market along with helping at the jumble sale and they have started making cards and paracord items to sell.

Future events are being planned and these include a Mother's Day Cream Tea at the Scout Hall, stalls at tabletop sales, car washes, sponsored events and a Grand Draw so look out for further details soon.

In the meantime, we have also set up several fundraising initiatives including:

## COINS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY

We are collecting any coins that you have lurking in the bottom of drawers or in pots on the side. We will take any foreign or English coins/paper money even if they are no longer in current use, so for example French Francs, German Deutschmarks, old style large 50p/10p pieces etc. The coins can be brought to the Scout Hall or they can be taken to the 2nd Stop charity shop and placed in the collection bucket.

## OLD BOOKS AND DVDS

We are also collecting books, CDs and DVDs and these can be left in the Scout Hall entrance foyer.

## AMAZON SMILE

We have now signed 1st Kesgrave Scout Group up to Amazon Smile. This is a way customers can support their chosen charitable organization every time they shop with Amazon, at no additional cost. Some of you may already support other charities through this mechanism, but if you don't then please consider joining us by doing the following:

1. Visit [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)
2. Sign in with the same account you use for Amazon.com
3. Select your charity – 1st Kesgrave Scout Group

4. Start shopping! Remember to checkout at [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) to generate donations for your chosen charity.

Tip: Add a bookmark to make it easier to shop at [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)

It won't cost you anymore and 0.5% will be given to the Scout Group and we will put this towards the Jamboree until they reach their target.

If you have any other suggestions to help the participants raise the funds they need or want to make any donations, including draw/tombola prizes or sponsorship of fundraising events then please contact [celia.comber@suffolkscouts.org.uk](mailto:celia.comber@suffolkscouts.org.uk).