



29 January 2018

Dear Scouting Families,

2nd Armidale Scout Group (Scouts Armidale) welcomes you and your family back to Scouting for 2018. There are a number of fun and exciting programs and activities planned that will continue to engage and develop your child and we hope will inspire you as well!

In 2018, we will celebrate 110 years of Scouting in Australia, as well as a centenary of Rover Scouts. We are also looking forward to AJ2019 to be held at Tailem Bend, South Australia. These events, along with the many Group, District and Region activities, will provide a wide range of experiences for youth and adult members of Scouts.

I am also excited to announce that Scouts NSW is a proud Active Kids Rebate provider. This means parents are able to use their child's Active Kids voucher towards Scouts fees.

From 31 January 2018, parents and carers of school-aged children in Scouts are entitled to a \$100 voucher to go towards covering membership fees for the calendar year. Every child (4.5 – 18 years old) enrolled in school from Kindergarten to Year 12 will be eligible for an Active Kids voucher. This includes those who are home-schooled or enrolled in secondary school education at TAFE NSW. It will not be means tested, and one voucher will be available for every child in the family annually over the next four years.

The Active Kids Rebate Program gives families already involved in Scouts the opportunity to continue their Scouting adventures, and enjoy the healthy lifestyle that Scouts endorse.

Scouts NSW is committed to being the number one Active Kids Rebate provider, demonstrating to the NSW Government the strong relationship between Scouting and active outdoor adventure.

I encourage you to redeem your Active Kids voucher with Scouts NSW by simply following the steps below:

How to use your Active Kids voucher with Scouts NSW

Step 1: From 31 January 2018, log on to the Service NSW online portal – www.service.nsw.gov.au - to register for and download your child's Active Kids voucher.

Step 2: Visit the Scouts NSW website – www.nsw.scouts.com.au/activekids - and complete the Active Kids Rebate Voucher Redemption Form.

Step 3: Save \$100 on your child's Scout fees for the year.

For more information about the Active Kids Rebate, visit the Scouts NSW website at www.nsw.scouts.com.au/activekids or the NSW Government's website at www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids.

Yours in Scouting

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