



## *53<sup>rd</sup> Company*

*Edinburgh, Leith and District Battalion*

*Colinton Mains Parish Church  
Oxgangs Road North  
Edinburgh*



## **Parents Information Sheet – 2023-24 Session**

Welcome to the 53<sup>rd</sup> Company! We have an exciting and varied programme planned for the year and hope you will enjoy it.

### *First things first...*

Our Anchor Boys (p1-3) and Junior Section (p4-6) meet together in St John's Colinton Mains Parish Church Hall on Thursday nights from 6-7:30pm. The Company Section (p7 and secondary age) meets from 8-10pm on Thursdays. Sunday night "play and pray" sessions for Company section start in October.

We will hold a number of special events throughout the year and take part in a range of activities and competitions. Thinking of coming along? The first month is free for all new members - why not try us out?!

### *Consent forms*

For both legal and insurance reasons a parent/guardian **must** complete a consent form before we can allow members to take part in activities. You can obtain a form from any member of staff, or from our website, <https://53bb.weebly.com/key-documents.html>

### *Subscriptions*

Subscriptions cost £15 per term, with the year being split into 3 terms - (i) September until Christmas (ii) Christmas until Easter and (iii) Easter until the summer holidays. Payment for the first term is due by the end of October. All our staff our volunteers but we need to charge a small amount to pay for insurance and registration costs.

## *Uniform*

Wearing of Uniform is compulsory on Thursday nights (from October). You can get your uniform from the Edinburgh BB shop, part of the BB HQ at 227 Ferry Road. More information on the shop can be found at <http://www.thebb-edinburgh.org.uk/resources-support/edinburgh-supplies-depot/>. Information on the uniform worn by each section is provided overleaf. From time to time Company staff will be at the shop – so we can collect items for you provided you order and pay for them in advance.

## *Communications*

Not all parents drop off/collect in person – so we need a way of keeping in touch. The consent form asks for an email address. Our written communication is normally by email or text, so please make sure the address you give us is up to date. We also ask for telephone & address details so we can contact you at short notice if necessary. We will keep messages to a minimum but do want to keep you informed.

## *Conditions of membership*

We try to keep rules to a minimum. Here are the ones you need to know

- Members are only the responsibility of staff whilst in the hall. It is up to parents/guardians to make safe plans for their trip to the Church Hall and their trip home at the end of the evening.
- Once you have decided you want to join (we allow a month's trial) you will be expected to buy a uniform.
- Subscription fees must be paid for each term – please speak to a member of staff if paying these may cause difficulties – we may be able to help.
- We all want to have fun – and hope that everyone will play their part and behave well. If necessary we may ask to speak with a parent ahead of a boy coming along should there be any concerns we need to discuss.
- To keep our subscriptions at their low level we need to carry out a few fundraising activities each year which we expect boys to play their part in where possible. We will make these good fun and appreciate your support.

We look forward to seeing you!

### **53<sup>rd</sup> Edinburgh BB – Anchors Uniform**

We ask Anchors to wear dark shorts or trousers, dark trainers or shoes and a red Anchor Boy Jumper



Red Anchor Boy Jumper – available in size 26, 28, 30, 32, 34 and 36”

Price £11-£13

### **53<sup>rd</sup> Edinburgh BB – Junior Section Uniform**

We ask Juniors s to wear dark shorts or trousers, dark trainers or shoes and a blue Junior Section Jumper



Blue Junior Section Jumper – available in sizes 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38 & 40” –

Price £11-£13

To order uniform please speak to any member of staff – payment must be made in advance but we can order and collect the uniform from the BB supplies store and give it to you on a company night.

## 53<sup>rd</sup> Edinburgh BB – Company Section Uniform

We ask Company Section members to wear **either** a BB shirt, belt, & tie **or** a BB polo shirt and/or jumper. Black trousers, shoes and socks are to be worn. Badges should be worn on an armband – this will be supplied when you receive your first badges.

BB Shirt/Polo/Jumper – Various Sizes – Cost – from £11-£20



BB black leather belt – all sizes £15:00  
(available in waist sizes 28/30, 32/34/, 36, 42 and 44/46)



BB Tie (normal or clip-on) –£8.50



To order uniform please speak to any member of staff – payment must be made in advance but we can order and collect the uniform from the BB supplies store and give it to you on a company night.