

## **Beavers**

Reminder: no meeting next week (Victoria Day), but Beaver & Parent teams are welcome to come and help with the food bank and bottle drive.

Wear uniform, bring parent (white tails are okay to drop off, all others please bring a parent), meet at fairgrounds (near building #3) at 1pm. (We're working the 4 corner neighbourhoods of Binbrook from 1-5pm)

## **Camp forms?**

Coming to camp May 27-29 at the Binbrook Conservation Area?

Please get in touch, if you haven't brought your form and money. If you haven't received a copy of the camp forms please speak to a leader or you can find it on the website under the parents section under both beavers and cubs.

## **Water at the Conservation Area**

Some stories have circulated in the community and newspaper about the water at the Conservation Area.

We care just as much as everyone else, so we have done some research, and here are the facts:

1. We already take city water for drinking & cooking when we go to the BCA, in portable blue water jugs. *(a normal practice for us, in case of younger stomachs who might not be tolerant of more mineral rich well-water)*
2. Park well-water and lake-water are tested on a regular basis, including the new concern for PFOS contamination.
3. PFOS molecules are too large to be absorbed through the skin, no concern for swimming/canoeing/washing.
4. Daily safe limit (based on consumption of 1.5 litres of water) is 0.30ug/l.
  - a. Well-water on site tests have resulted in results below detectable levels.
  - b. Lake-water tests have resulted in 0.13ug/l *(less than 50% of the limit, if you were drinking the lake water as drinking water)*

We will continue to monitor further results, but have no concerns with camping there.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask.

**Thanks!**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Binbrook**