



Birk Crag Centre Bulletin 11 February 2021



Happy World Thinking Day 2021

On 22nd February 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts will unite to call for and create peace; in their lives and in the world.

What is World Thinking Day?

Celebrated since 1926, World Thinking Day is a day of international friendship. It is an opportunity to speak out on issues that affect young women and to fundraise for 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts in 150 countries.

22nd February was chosen to celebrate World Thinking Day as it was both the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout Movement, and Olave Baden-Powell, who was the World Chief Guide.



The theme for World Thinking Day 2021 is Peacebuilding and there are three key elements:

STAND STRONG - understanding peacebuilding and being empowered to be a peacebuilder

STAND UP - exploring conflict, how to resolve it and how to build peace

STAND TOGETHER - taking actions to create a more welcoming and peacebuilding society

The fantastic County team at Girlguiding North Yorkshire West are organising a very special World Thinking Day event this year.

On Monday 22nd February Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers and their leaders will all join together on Zoom to think about being a member of Girlguiding, travel to a Girlguiding World Centre and to have some fun together!



Peacebuilding is at the heart of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting and is as vital and relevant today as ever. The new Birk Crag Centre will provide a safe space where our young members can choose to build peace, be better leaders and to create environments that include everyone.

Our Amazing Building

Because of you the new Birk Crag Centre looks amazing! It has taken a lot of support to get us to this stage so thank you to each and every one of you.



Birk Crag in the snow - January 2021.



Thank you to Tim Hardy Photography for these brilliant drone shots of the new Birk Crag Centre.



The new Centre has spectacular views across the local countryside.



Who else is looking forward to looking out of one of these windows soon?

We have now completed the building of the shell of the Birk Crag Centre and are embarking on our new project to fit out the building. When complete our vision is that the Birk Crag Centre will be an inspirational hub for the wider community for many years to come.

Funding Inside



Thank you to all our supporters who attended the Crafternoon Tea for Birk Crag. We raised £150 towards completing the inside of the Centre.

Our next fundraiser is The Great Birk Crag Virtual Balloon Race!



Ways you can make a difference....

- **Spread the word!** You never know who might be able to help
- **Recycle stamps and ink cartridges** - Let us know when you have a bundle and we can arrange for collection or drop off
- **Join in, like & share our events** - follow our Facebook & Twitter
- **Become a Sponsor** - could you sponsor a room? Materials? Your expertise?
- **Support us on the Local Lotto** - www.thelocalotto.co.uk & search Girlguiding
- **Easyfundraising** - visit www.birkcragcentre.org.uk/donate
- **Choose us as your Co-op local cause** - www.coop.co.uk/membership
- **Donate** - visit our JustGiving site

THANK YOU!

How to take part in our virtual balloon race:

- Buy a virtual balloon - Virtual balloons cost £3. You can buy as many as you like!
- Track your virtual balloon over the 14 day race period- LIVE! The race starts on 8th March, International Women's Day and ends on 14th March - Mother's Day!
- The winning virtual balloon is the one which has flown the furthest.
- Prizes for the top 3 winning balloons!
- Enter by Saturday 6th March to take part.

<https://www.balloonrace.com/BirkCragCentre>

THANK YOU to all our Friends of Birk Crag for your continued support!