



## 1<sup>ST</sup> ERMINGTON CUB SCOUTS LINKING TO SCOUTS

Dear Cub Parent/Guardian

Shortly your Cub Scout will be 11 years of age, and is now eligible to continue their Scouting journey by beginning the linking process. By this time children are ready for new challenges, and have outgrown the Cub Scout section. No doubt your Cub Scout is looking forward to progressing to the Scout section.

1<sup>st</sup> Ermington Scouts meet at the hall on a Thursday night from 7.00 – 9.00 pm. To facilitate the move to Scouts your Cub Scout will participate in the linking process and will earn a Scout Link badge on completion of the required activities (contact our Scout Leader for more information).

You are welcome to come along to Scouts for a few weeks to see if the 1<sup>st</sup> Ermington Troop will be a good fit for your child. Not all children will progress to Scouts. The first few weeks of visiting the Troop are a trial period – to see if our Scout Troop will suit your child, and to ensure that your child is willing to live by the Scout Promise and Law, so that they can re-affirm their Promise, and be accepted into the Troop at the linking ceremony. Your child must wear their full Cub Scout uniform during the linking period.

In Cub Scouts the Cubs are arranged into Sixes with a Sixer and Second leading a group of up to six Cub Scouts (including the Sixer and Second). In a similar way, the Scouts are organised into Patrols. Each Patrol will have a Patrol Leader (PL) and an Assistant Patrol Leader (APL), and there may be up to 8 Scouts in the Patrol (including the PL and APL). In Scouts the PL and APL are expected to take on a larger leadership role at Troop meetings. They organise weekly meetings and activities, and are responsible for their Patrol working together. The Scouts receive instruction from their PL and APL, and each Scout is expected to follow the direction of their PL and APL, and work together with other members of their Patrol.

Information on Scout activities is regularly updated to the website. Activity notifications are sent out via CareMonkey.

<http://www.ermingtonscouts.asn.au/scouts.html>

For email enquiries regarding Scouts contact :

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We trust that your Cub Scout has enjoyed their time at Cubs, and is keen to continue the fun and challenges that scouting brings.