



Bristol South District Explorer Scouts

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In Touch – A new way of communication for Explorer activities

Dear Parents

As you may be aware, when we run activities away from Eastwinds or overnight, we nominate a Home Contact who holds all relevant information about the party members and their parents.

In the event of an emergency/incident/delay the Home Contact acts as a “middleman” between the leader in charge and the parents.

This system is now largely out of date following the widespread availability of mobile phones. For example, when we were late returning from caving recently, it was easier for everyone to phone home themselves. I always carry a phone Explorers can use if they don't have one (or have run out of credit!).

The new “In Touch” system will replace the Home Contact system from 1st May 2010 and the four areas we have to address are;

- How leaders and parents communicate
- How Explorers and parents communicate
- How leaders and Explorers communicate (when not together such as D of E)
- How leaders and the District communicate

Attached to this letter is the “In Touch” process for SuperNova (other groups will have different procedures).

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Don't forget that you can get the mobile phone numbers for me and Bruce from the website.

Kindest regards

James