



Guiding in Oakley

In Oakley there has always been a strong Guiding tradition. We are lucky enough to have our own purpose built HQ, shared with the Scouts, situated in St. John's Piece.

At present we have about 100 girls enjoying belonging to the Guiding family, which opens up a world of opportunities that will last a life time.

Rainbows are our youngest members aged between 5 and 7 years. They have lots of fun and enjoy games, crafts and activities as part of their programme called Rainbow Jigsaw. We have one Rainbow unit in Oakley.

Brownies are for girls aged between 7 and 10 years. They do lots of exciting challenges to gain badges and have opportunities to try new things, make lots of friends and usually spend some time away from home on a Brownie Holiday. We have two Brownie packs in Oakley.

Guides are usually girls aged from 10 to 14 who are given the chance to extend their individual skills and try out new activities as part of a team. Girls do not have to have been Brownies or Rainbows to come and join us. Guides can get involved in anything from community action projects to performing arts, cooking, craft and adventurous sports. Many of our Guides enjoy camping with other Guides from local units over the summer. Some have been selected to take part in the biennial Gang show held at the Haymarket Theatre, Basingstoke. We have two Guide units in Oakley.

The Ranger unit is for girls from 14 to 18. They plan a flexible programme for themselves which offers opportunities to enjoy a variety of events and activities which challenge and develop their skills. Some may help with our Units and begin to train as Leaders, whilst others may begin the D.of E. scheme or work towards their Queen's Guide Award. We have one Ranger Unit in Oakley.

Guiding is not just for girls. We have many adult volunteers within the village who give their time as either Leaders or occasional helpers to ensure that these Units are able to run. We welcome new volunteers at any time and you will always find a warm welcome and a role for you to play.

To register your daughter for a space and find out a bit more about Girl Guiding please visit www.girlguiding.org.uk