

Special Interest Area Matrix of Project Suggestions

Adventure & Sport

Joeys (2hr)	Cubs (4hr)	Scouts (8hr)	Venturers (12hr)	Rovers (18hr)
Start learning to ride a bike	Learn to ride a bike	Learn some new bike skills e.g. standing up, tricks, mountain biking)	Learn how to mountain bike	Go on a mountain bike adventure
Do a challenge course	Do a challenge course	Build and ride a flying fox	Build and use a challenge course	Build and use a challenge course
Enhance your skills in a sport you already play	Enhance your skills in a sport you already play	Enhance your skills in a sport you already play	Enhance your skills in a sport you already play	Enhance your skills in a sport you already play
Try karate for 2 weeks	Try karate for 2 weeks	Learn new karate skills	Achieve a higher skill level target in karate	Achieve a higher skill level target in karate
Try swimming lessons	Try swimming lessons	Try out some new swimming skills	Try out some new swimming skills	Compete in a swimming competition
Try a new sport	Try a new sport	Try a new sport	Try a new sport	Try a new sport
Explore a local nature reserve	Explore a local nature reserve	Go on an adventure through a native reserve, state park or national park.	Go on an adventure through a native reserve, state park or national park.	Learn skills and go on a 4WD adventure
Try fishing	Learn how to fish	Learn how to go flying or gliding	Learn how to go flying or gliding	Go flying or gliding adventure
Learn archery	Learn archery	Learn target shooting	Learn target shooting	Learn target shooting and develop your skills to an advanced level
Learn slack lining skills	Learn slack lining skills	Learn slack lining skills	Learn slack lining skills	Learn slack lining skills and push your skill levels
Go on an adventure using only public transport	Plan and go on an adventure using only public transport	Plan and go on an adventure using only public transport	Plan and go on an adventure using only public transport	Plan and go on an adventure using only public transport
Try circus skills	Learn circus skills	Learn circus skills	Learn circus skills and perform them	Learn circus skills and perform them

Arts & Literature

Joeys (2hr)	Cubs (4hr)	Scouts (8hr)	Venturers (12hr)	Rovers (18hr)
Make a piece of art using a technique you haven't tried before (eg photography, painting, animation, digital, video, handcraft, modelling, sculpture, drawing)	Make a piece of art using a technique you haven't tried before (eg photography, painting, animation, digital, video, handcraft, modelling, sculpture, drawing)	Make a piece of art using a technique you haven't tried before (eg photography, painting, animation, digital, video, handcraft, modelling, sculpture, drawing)	Make a piece of art using a technique you haven't tried before (eg photography, painting, animation, digital, video, handcraft, modelling, sculpture, drawing)	Make a piece of art using a technique you haven't tried before (eg photography, painting, animation, digital, video, handcraft, modelling, sculpture, drawing)
Write a poem, play or short story	Write a poem, play or short story	Write a poem, play or short story	Write a poem, play or short story	Write a poem, play or short story
Learn performance skills through participation in a show (eg Gang Show, school production)	Learn performance skills through participation in a show (eg Gang Show, school production)	Learn performance skills through participation in a show (eg Gang Show, school production)	Learn performance skills through participation in a show (eg Gang Show, school production)	Learn performance skills through participation in a show (eg Gang Show, school production)
Explore new types of books and writing that you haven't experienced before (eg poems, chapter books)	Read books from new authors or genres and talk about what you find	Read books from new authors or genres and present what you find	Investigate different forms of writing and apply these skills to a piece you write	Investigate different forms of writing and apply these skills to a piece you write
Learn an art form from a culture other than your own	Learn an art form from a culture other than your own	Investigate different cultural influences on an art form	Investigate different cultural influences on an art form	Investigate different cultural influences on an art form
Learn to use a camera	Learn how to use simple photo editing or digital design software	Learn how to use photo editing or digital design software	Learn how to use photo editing or digital design software	Learn how to use photo editing or digital design software
			Investigate different genres and themes within literature and discuss or present	Investigate different genres and themes within literature and discuss or present
Try a musical instrument or dance style	Learn or enhance your skills on a musical instrument or dance style	Learn or enhance your skills on a musical instrument or dance style	Learn or enhance your skills on a musical instrument and perform or dance style	Learn or enhance your skills on a musical instrument or dance style and perform

Joeys	Cubs	Scouts	Venturers	Rovers
Participate in a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Be involved in a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project in your community to reduce plastic waste
Investigate social or environmental issues in your local community	Investigate social or environmental issues in your local community	Investigate social or environmental issues in your local community and how you can help	Be involved in a project in your community that addresses a social or environmental issue	Lead a project in your community that addresses a social or environmental issue
Create a care package and visit a group in your community (eg nursing home, war veterans)	Learn about and raise money to help address a social or environmental issue	Learn about and raise money to help address a social or environmental issue	Create a social justice committee at your school and undertake activities to help others	Volunteer to tutor recently arrived migrants and refugees in English
Participate in a community event that raises money for a cause (eg 40hour famine, MS Readathon, Relay for Life, Jump Rope for Heart)	Participate in a community event that raises money for a cause (eg 40hour famine, MS Readathon, Relay for Life, Jump Rope for Heart)	Be involved in organising a Patrol to participate in a community event that raises money for a cause (eg Relay for Life, 40 hour famine, the Long Walk)	Lead the participation of a Patrol in a community event that raises money for a cause (Oxfam trailwalker, 40hour famine, Relay for Life, sleepouts, Live Below the Line, the Long Walk)	Lead the participation of a Patrol in a community event that raises money for a cause (Oxfam trailwalker, 40hour famine, Relay for Life, sleepouts, Live Below the Line, the Long Walk)
			Volunteer at a soup kitchen	Volunteer at a soup kitchen
Engage with and better understand your local Indigenous community	Engage with and better understand your local Indigenous community	Engage with and better understand your local Indigenous community	Engage with and better understand your local Indigenous community	Engage with and better understand your local Indigenous community
Learn Auslan	Learn Auslan	Learn Auslan	Learn Auslan	Learn Auslan
Learn another language that's well-used in your local community	Learn another language that's well-used in your local community	Learn another language that's well-used in your local community	Learn another language that's well-used in your local community	Learn another language that's well-used in your local community
Learn about and assess the accessibility of your Scout hall or other building, and work on improvements	Learn about and assess the accessibility of your Scout hall or other building, and work on improvements	Learn about and assess the accessibility of your Scout hall or other building, and work on improvements	Learn about and assess the accessibility of your Scout hall or other building, and work on improvements	Learn about and assess the accessibility of your Scout hall or other building, and work on improvements
Investigate ways to make your Scout Group and program more accessible to those who may be currently excluded (eg because of financial, linguistic, disability, cultural or other reasons)	Investigate and work on implementing ways to make your Scout Group and program more accessible to those who may be currently excluded (eg because of financial, linguistic, disability, cultural or other reasons)	Investigate and work on implementing ways to make your Scout Group and program more accessible to those who may be currently excluded (eg because of financial, linguistic, disability, cultural or other reasons)	Investigate and work on implementing ways to make your Scout Group and program more accessible to those who may be currently excluded (eg because of financial, linguistic, disability, cultural or other reasons)	Investigate and work on implementing ways to make your Scout Group and program more accessible to those who may be currently excluded (eg because of financial, linguistic, disability, cultural or other reasons)
Design and implement a project around a SDG	Design and implement a project around a SDG	Design and implement a project around a SDG	Design and implement a project around a SDG	Design and implement a project around a SDG
Learn about issues effecting a community in another country	Learn about issues effecting a community in another country and what you could do to have a positive impact	Learn about issues effecting a community in another country and what you could do to have a positive impact	Learn about issues effecting a community in another country. Plan and implement a project to have a positive impact	Learn about issues effecting a community in another country. Plan and implement a project to have a positive impact
		Learn how to most effectively support a disadvantaged group and how well-intentioned actions can sometimes have a negative impact	Learn how to most effectively support a disadvantaged group and how well-intentioned actions can sometimes have a negative impact	Learn how to most effectively support a disadvantaged group and how well-intentioned actions can sometimes have a negative impact
Consider how this might be a Messengers of Peace project	Consider how this might be a Messengers of Peace project	Consider how this might be a Messengers of Peace project	Consider how this might be a Messengers of Peace project	Consider how this might be a Messengers of Peace project

Environment

Joeys	Cubs	Scouts	Venturers	Rovers
Observe your local communities native fauna and flora	Observe and understand your local communities native fauna and flora	Explore the impact your local community has had on its native fauna and flora	Explore the impact your local community has had on its native fauna and flora and what you can do to support native species	Explore the impact your local community has had on its native fauna and flora and what you can do to support native species
Participate in a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Be involved in a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project at your school to reduce plastic waste	Run a project in your community to reduce plastic waste
Be involved in a citizen science project (eg Birds in Backyards, Streets2Bay, Wildlife Spotter, Galaxy Explorer)	Be involved in a citizen science project (eg Birds in Backyards, Streets2Bay, Wildlife Spotter, Galaxy Explorer)	Be involved in a citizen science project (eg Birds in Backyards, Streets2Bay, Wildlife Spotter, Galaxy Explorer)	Be involved in a citizen science project (eg Birds in Backyards, Streets2Bay, Wildlife Spotter, Galaxy Explorer)	Be involved in a citizen science project (eg Birds in Backyards, Streets2Bay, Wildlife Spotter, Galaxy Explorer)
Plant trees as part of a Landcare or other project	Plant trees or clean up a local natural area	Lead a project to restore a local natural area	Lead a project to restore a natural area (this could be local, national or internationally)	Lead a project to restore a natural area (this could be local, national or internationally)
Investigate what your house, school or Scout Hall could do reduce their negative environmental impact	Investigate what your house, school or Scout Hall could do reduce their negative environmental impact	Investigate what your house, school or Scout Hall could do reduce their negative environmental impact	Be involved in the planning and implementation of a project to reduce your house, school or Scout Hall's negative environmental impact eg reducing and managing waste, installing solar panels, utilising grey water	Lead a project to reduce your house, school or Scout Hall's negative environmental impact eg reducing and managing waste, installing solar panels, utilising grey water
Complete the World Scout Environment Badge	Complete the World Scout Environment Badge	Complete the World Scout Environment Badge	Complete the World Scout Environment Badge	Complete the World Scout Environment Badge
Investigate and talk with a key member of your local community (eg politician, Principal, Councillor) about what could be done regarding an environmental issue	Investigate and talk with a key member of your local community (eg politician, Principal, Councillor) about what could be done regarding an environmental issue	Investigate and talk with a key member of your local community (eg politician, Principal, Councillor) about what could be done regarding an environmental issue	Investigate and talk with a key member of your local community (eg politician, Principal, Councillor) about what could be done regarding an environmental issue	Investigate and raise with a key member of your local community (eg politician, University administrator, Councillor) about what could be done regarding an environmental issue
Learn about a natural disaster	Learn about a natural disaster and how you should prepare	Learn about a natural disaster and work on improving your family's or Scout Hall's preparation	Learn about a natural disaster and contribute to a preparedness plan for your family, school or Scout Hall	Learn about a natural disaster and devise a preparedness plan for your household, Scout Group or community group
			Assist a community that has experienced an environmental disaster	Assist a community that has experienced an environmental disaster
Build nesting boxes	Build nesting boxes	Participate in a conservation project for a threatened species	Participate in a conservation project for a threatened species	Lead your Patrol or Unit's involvement in a conservation for a threatened species
Go spotlighting for wild animals	Go spotlighting for wild animals	Investigate what wild animals live in your area (eg through surveys, cameras)	Investigate what wild animals live in your area (eg through surveys, cameras)	Investigate what wild animals live in your area (eg through surveys, cameras)

Growth & Development

Joeys	Cubs	Scouts	Venturers	Rovers
Learn about your own and others' feelings and how to express them	Learn about your own and others' feelings and how the way you express these can impact on others	Learn about your own and others' feelings and how the way you express these can impact on others	Learn about emotional intelligence and strategies you can implement for yourself and in interacting with others	Learn about emotional intelligence and strategies you can implement for yourself and in interacting with others
	Learn about how to support others' mental health eg by learn about different mental health issues that commonly affect your peers	Learn about how to support others' mental health eg by learn about different mental health issues that commonly affect your peers	Learn about how to support others' mental health eg by undertaking a mental health first aid course	Learn about how to support others' mental health eg by undertaking a mental health first aid course
		Learn about the effects of drugs and alcohol on your body	Learn about the effects of drugs and alcohol on your body	Learn about the effects of drugs and alcohol on your body
Learn about positive friendships	Learn about positive friendships	Learn about positive relationships and consent	Learn about sexual health, consent and positive relationships	Learn about sexual health, consent and positive relationships
Learn about what it means to be a leader and the skills you might need to be successful as a leader.	Learn about what it means to be a leader and the skills you might need to be successful as a leader.	Learn about different leadership styles and how this can help you at school and Scouts	Learn about leadership and management styles and how you can use these in your Scouting, educational and professional life	Learn about leadership and management styles and how you can use these in your Scouting, educational and professional life
Try out meditation	Explore different meditation and/or mindfulness methods	Explore different meditation and/or mindfulness methods	Explore different meditation and/or mindfulness methods	Explore different meditation and/or mindfulness methods
			Undertake a professional development course	Undertake a professional development course
	Participate and develop skills in debating	Participate and develop skills in debating	Participate and develop skills in debating	Participate and develop skills in debating
		Learn about a local professional skill or networking group	Participate with a local professional skill or networking group	Participate with a local professional skill or networking group
Learn about how to keep your body healthy	Learn about how to keep your body healthy	Demonstrate healthy meal planning and cooking	Demonstrate healthy meal planning and cooking	Demonstrate healthy meal planning and cooking
Volunteer for a cause	Volunteer for a cause	Volunteer for a cause	Volunteer for a cause	Volunteer for a cause
Learn new activities or skills to keep your body fit	Learn new activities or skills to keep your body fit	Undertake a fitness program	Undertake a fitness program	Undertake a fitness program

STEM & Innovation

Joeys	Cubs	Scouts	Venturers	Rovers
Build a billy cart	Build a billy cart	Design and build a billy cart	Design and build a canoe	Design and build a canoe
Build a marble run	Build a marble run	Build a robot	Build a robot	Build a robot
Create using a 3D printer	Design and create using a 3D printer	Design and create using a 3D printer	Design and create using a 3D printer	Design and create using a 3D printer
Create a simple program using coding	Create a simple program using coding	Create a simple program using coding	Create a simple program using coding	Create a simple program using coding
Create a Rube Goldberg Machine	Create a Rube Goldberg Machine	Create a Rube Goldberg Machine	Create a Rube Goldberg Machine	Create a Rube Goldberg Machine
Make mousetrap cars	Make mousetrap cars	Make paper lanterns		
	Participate in a Tournament of the Minds team	Participate in a Tournament of the Minds team	Participate in a Tournament of the Minds team	
	Design and build a bridge that can support yourself	Design and build a bridge that can support your Patrol	Design and build a bridge that can support your Patrol	Design and build a bridge that can support your Unit
Design and build a creation out of Lego	Design and build a creation out of Lego	Design and build a creation out of Lego	Design and build a creation out of Lego that can move or support a weight	Design and build a creation out of Lego that can move or support a weight
Learn about flight and make paper planes	Learn about flight and design and build paper planes	Learn about flight and make a model plane or other aircraft	Learn about flight and design and build a model plane or other aircraft	Learn about flight and design and build a model plane or other aircraft
Invent a creative solution to a problem in your Scout Hall	Invent a creative solution to a problem in your Scout Hall	Invent a creative solution to a problem in your Scout Hall	Invent and implement a creative solution to a problem in your Scout Hall	Invent and implement a creative solution to a problem in your Scout Hall
Explore different technology-based communication tools	Explore different technology-based communication tools	Develop a technology-based communication tool for your Unit	Develop a technology-based communication tool for your Unit	Develop a technology-based communication tool for your Unit
Learn about apps and the technology behind them	Create an app	Create an app	Create an app	Create an app
Undertake science experiments	Undertake science experiments	Devise a hypothesis and experiment(s) to test this hypothesis	Devise a hypothesis and experiment(s) to test this hypothesis and understand the science behind this	Devise a hypothesis and experiment(s) to test this hypothesis and understand the science behind this
Conduct a scientific concept using hands-on activities	Teach a scientific concept using hands-on activities to a group of Scouts	Teach a scientific concept using hands-on activities to a group of Scouts	Teach a scientific concept using hands-on activities to a group of Scouts	Teach a scientific concept using hands-on activities to a group of Scouts

ATTACHMENTS

1. Planning Templates