

Tenderpad Requirement No. 3



Demonstrate the Wolf Cub salute and Wolf Cub handshake, and repeat the Wolf Cub motto.



Wolf Cub Salute: The salute is a very old form of greeting. Long ago when people greeted each other, they held up their right hand with the palm forward to show that they had no weapon in it. The salute is also a sign of respect and friendship for a leader or another Cub or Scout.

When you salute a leader or another Cub, you use a special sign. You hold your right hand to your head with two fingers spread out to look like the pointed ears of a wolf. Akela will show you how to do it.



Wolf Cub Handshake: Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Cubbing and Scouting, once met an African chief who greeted him by shaking hands with the left hand. The chief explained that the left handshake was a sign of trust. Why? Because people used to hold their shield in the left hand and had to put it down before they could shake with that hand.

Today, in cultures where it is acceptable, Cubs and Scouts shake hands with the left hand. It is a sign that they are all members of the worldwide Scouting family.

Wolf Cub Motto: The Wolf Cub motto is "*Do Your Best*". It reminds us that we have promised to do our best always, according to our own personal abilities. In Cubs, winning and losing does not matter. The personal effort you put into trying new things is what really counts.