Something a little different from COVID, but still a massive issue impacting over 200million people per year and killing nearly ½ million, mainly young children – an important endemic that must not be forgotten just now.

As well as working towards the Berkshire Scouts @Home Award and World Challenge Badge, these activities could potentially be extended to the full Scouts Against Malaria badge - <https://www.scoutsagainstmalaria.org.uk>

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| **Activity** | **Description** | **Preparation/ equipment** | **@home challenge award section** <https://www.berkshirescouts.org.uk/cubshome/> | **Time** |
| Arrival | Welcome the Cubs – usual format |  |  | 5 mins |
| Mosquito Models | Each Cub makes their own model mosquito from pipe-cleaners & wiggly eyes, following an online step-by-step demonstration by the leader. [Click here for instructions](https://49ac6cff-b31a-43dd-83d6-3c23ebd6444c.filesusr.com/ugd/f1cc2f_d61d61871f9e4500b6092f4fd2c599dd.pdf)NB:* Advise the Cubs to take care as the metal ends of the pipe-cleaners can be sharp.
* Depending on the capability of your Cubs, you might like to cut the pipe-cleaners in advance, or ask a parent/carer to do.
* You could always use more vibrant colours if you wish!
 | Purchase 2 dark (brown or black) and 2 light (cream or white) pipe-cleaners and 2 wiggly eyes (approx. 10mm diameter) per person – distribute in advance.These are readily & cheaply available online or in craft shops. | International | 15 mins |
| Malaria Awareness | Watch this 2 minute video and discuss a few of these questions (to help everyone get involved, maybe you could set-up polls for them to select the correct answers). * Which insects carry malaria?
* Which countries are most affected by malaria?
* How can mosquito nets help?
* Why is it important to stay reduce stagnant water (e.g. by filling puddles & reducing litter)?
* Can malaria be treated?

[Click here for the video](https://www.aardman.com/work/malaria-no-more/) | Good internet connection to share the video (if concerned, you could send the link out in advance & ask that they watch it before the meeting) | International | 15mins |
| Mosquito Bingo | A merge between Bingo & Build a Beetle – a fun game of chance.[Click here for a pdf of the mosquito](https://d.docs.live.net/6819ccc51000b36d/Documents/Mosquito%20Bingo%20Template.pdf). Ask each Cub to write a number between 1 & 6 into each box – there will obviously be duplicates but encourage them to use a mix.* The first Cub rolls their dice and tells everyone the number – all Cubs mark off the matching mosquito body part so long as:
	+ They must mark off the body (green) before doing the head, or any of the wings or legs (blue).
	+ They must mark off the head (blue) before doing any of the eyes, antennae or proboscis (orange).
* The Cubs continue to take it in turns to roll their dice & share the number……
* Once a Cub has marked off all the body parts, they shout MOSQUITO!
 | Email the sheet in advance.Each Cub will need a dice & a print of the mosquito sheet | A bit of fun….. | 25mins |
| Close | Encourage the Cubs to chat with their parents/carers about malaria. |  |  | 5mins |

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