At The Ready - Ceremonies

Colours of Guiding Balloon Promise Ceremony

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Materials needed:

Balloons of different colours (see below)

Ceremony Description:

Guides sit in a circle with seven spaces (to allow girls to walk through). Girl/s renewing their promise, or gaining their awards stand in centre of circle.

Seven Guides with balloons coloured red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet stand "outside" each space. Each of the girls walk in the space and to the girls in the middle presenting her with the balloon as they say their "part".

- Girl 1: This balloon is red for all the happy campfires that Guides have.
- Girl 2: This balloon is orange for sunset when we say taps
- Girl 3: This balloon is yellow for the sun that shines over all the Guides in the world.
- Girl 4: This balloon is green for nature that Guides look after.
- Girl 5: This balloon is blue for the sky that Guides see everywhere, everyday.
- Girl 6: This balloon is indigo the colour for Guides
- Girl 7: This balloon is violet for all the girls all over the world, who are in Guiding.

Leader then says:

"The rainbow you are now holding is a symbol of a promise – like the Guide promise. Just as a rainbow appears often, so the Guide promise should be renewed often."

And carries on with the rest of the ceremony.

WHY NOT...

Have a balloon themed night ending in the promise ceremony and invite parents, friends and relatives along to enjoy the fun.

You could make balloon shaped invitations, play games using balloons, make balloon stress balls, make balloons animals and have a cake shaped like a balloon.