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At last, an authoritative and engaging book about the Norman Cross PoW prison. Read our review on p8 - and buy a copy today!

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JUNE

1st FONC AGM
16-17th Peterborough Heritage Festival
17th Keyboard Concert in Pavilion
23rd Church Garden Party
29th Playgroup Open Day

JULY

7th Stilton Family Fun Day
14th Church Jazz Concert
21st Barn Dance in Pavilion
22nd Keyboard Concert in Pavilion
29th SUFC Ground Hop at the Pavilion

AUGUST

19th Keyboard Concert in Pavilion
25-29th Twinning Visit to St Christol

SEPTEMBER

15-16th Norman Cross Heritage Days
22nd Twinning Safari Supper
23rd Keyboard Concert in Pavilion

OCTOBER

7th Harvest Festival Lunch
20th Church Quiz Night
21st Keyboard Concert in Pavilion

NOVEMBER

10th Church Safari Supper
17th Home Guard Band Concert
18th Keyboard Concert in Pavilion

DECEMBER

1st Chorale Concert in St Mary’s
8-9th Church Xmas Tree Festival
16th Keyboard Concert in Pavilion

A1(M) Roadworks

A14(M) NORTHBOUND AT ALCONBURY

The A14 northbound between Rusts Lane and Alconbury Interchange/A14M-A1M junction 14 will be closed 24 hours a day from Friday 21:00 hours until Monday 05:00 hours on the following four successive weekends:

- Friday 8 June to Monday 11 June
- Friday 15 June to Monday 18 June
- Friday 22 June to Monday 25 June
- Friday 29 June to Monday 2 July

And from 21:00 hours until 05:00 hours on:

- Monday 2 July to Saturday 7 July

During these times there will be no access to the A1(M) via the A14 northbound and the northbound entry slip road at Rusts Lane will also be closed. Diversion routes will be fully signposted.

These dates are subject to weather conditions and may change. If you want to know more, contact RMS on 0121 407 6516 or via email at julie.bardsley@wsp.com.
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NEW SCAN DELIVERER
FOR CALDECOT
We welcome John & Shirley Gregory to our merry band of loyal distributors.

Village Barn Dance

Saturday 21 July 19:00 to 23:00
Stilton Pavilion

A fun evening with the Dennis Cuddles Group

Supper provided

Tickets £10 each

nily ticket £25 = two adults + two under
Extra family members under 16 £5 each

You are all very welcome. Hope to see you for this fun event!

More details in July SCAN

Contact: Chris on 241376 or Hazel on 243056
Tour of Cambridgeshire
LOCAL ROAD CLOSURES - 2nd & 3rd JUNE

As reported in the Folklore section, the annual Tour of Cambridgeshire cycle race takes place over the weekend of 1st & 2nd June and involves local traffic disruptions.

You can find the details online at www.tourofcambridgeshire.com, but we reproduce the maps of the affected routes here.

If you need to be out & about on the roads over this weekend, be sure to check the detailed timings of the road closures and plan your journeys accordingly.

SUNDAY 3RD JUNE
Our Lost Town

AUTHORITATIVE NEW HISTORY OF THE NORMAN CROSS PoW DEPOT

The grand sweeps of history may be dominated by great leaders such as Julius Caesar or the Duke of Wellington, but it’s the stories of ordinary people that bring history to life. So we welcome an enlightening and authoritative new history of The Napoleonic Prison of Norman Cross, by historian Paul Chamberlain, published by The History Press.

The depot leaves only a faint impression today of its former considerable extent. The new book’s subtitle - The Lost Town of Huntingdonshire - is no exaggeration. Holding 7000 prisoners it was bigger than the combined populations of Peterborough, Stilton, Folksworth and Yaxley.

Paul Chamberlain’s history at last collates everything that is known about the prison, extracting and contextualising material from a wide variety of sources, both local and national. It paints a vivid picture of life in the prison, as well as its significance in the wider context of the struggle against Napoleon’s territorial ambitions.

Certain commentators have disparaged Norman Cross as a ‘concentration camp’ but this is far from the truth. Paul’s book makes it clear that it was indeed a self-contained town, established and operated both efficiently and humanely. Two instances illustrate this. First, ill-treatment of the prisoners was not tolerated; one soldier court-martialled for stealing from a prisoner received a staggering 600 lashes. Second, St Peter’s Church in Yaxley contains a memorial plaque to Capt John Draper, one of the Agents responsible for the prison, paid for by the prisoners ‘in testimony of their esteem and gratitude for his humane attention to their comfort.’ Good treatment was not only humane but pragmatic; any hint of maltreatment could have compromised the welfare of British PoWs held in enemy prisons.

This book should fill a space on any serious historian’s bookshelf and, if you’re at all interested in this important bit of local history, it should be on yours as well. Happily, you can buy a copy from Doug Maltman for a mere £15; a useful saving on its cover price of £16.99. Just contact Doug on 07545 976388 or maltmand@yahoo.com.
**Friends of Norman Cross**

1 June 2018 at 7pm
Norman Cross Gallery
PE7 3TB

*Annual General Meeting*

followed by the launch of the book by Paul Chamberlain

*The Lost Town of Huntingdonshire*

Paul is an eminent expert on the French wars and has written the first major study of the Norman Cross Depot since Dr. Walker's book of 1913.

The book will be available to purchase for £15 (£16.99 from Amazon) and Paul will sign the copies.

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**FREE at Half Term**

COSMOS Roadshow
Peterborough Cathedral
26 May - 3 June 10am - 4pm
(Sunday 12-3pm)

An interactive science exhibition for all ages.

No need to book

See: www.peterborough-cathedral.org.uk

**ALSO FREE**

Peterborough Festival of History
June 16/17 Cathedral Square and Precincts

The largest free city-centre living history event in the UK. With re-enactors from the Romans to the twentieth century; stalls, sideshows and a market.

All in celebration of the 900th anniversary of Peterborough Cathedral.

Wildfowl Trust Great Fen
Meet the Rangers June 2 & 3

At various sites across the Fen

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**Stilton Stumblers**

*Spring/Summer Itinerary*

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Our regular walks are between 5 - 8 miles and meet at 10:00am at The Pump

For more information about Stumbling, just Google ‘Stilton Stumblers’ or call Shirley on (01733) 246209 - or just turn up on the day with your boots on!

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On a grey April morning, a short meeting was held at Stilton Skate Park to finalise the transfer from the 'Stilton Children and Young People's Facilities Association' charity, which built the Park, to the Parish Council who are now going to manage it.

Peter Mitchell, the founder and Treasurer of the Charity, handed over a cheque for £7,000 to Olive Main, Chair of the Parish Council, to help with the running of the Skate Park and towards new youth facilities in the village.

Both Peter and Olive expressed their appreciation to the trustees of the Charity, and in particular to the young people who formed a committee in early years to manage the design and building of the facility and who are now successful adult members of our society. We like to think that the work that they did, managing the development, has helped them in their careers.

Discussions as to what the youths wanted were started in 2004 and the Skate Park was opened in stages throughout 2007 and 2008 with final completion of the Park, by the addition of the final ramps, CCTV and lighting, in 2009.

The behaviour on the Park has been excellent and the attitude towards younger players and novice riders is commented upon by many of the passing public.

The Trustees of the retiring Charity and the original Youth Committee would like to wish the new riders success in the future and hope that they get as much fun as we have had over the last 10 years.
Thanks Olive!
STANDING DOWN FOR A WELL-DESERVED RETIREMENT

As many readers will be aware, Olive Main, our long-standing Chair of Stilton Parish Council, has now stepped down from the Council after many years of dedicated service.

There is hardly space in this slim volume to describe the extent of Olive’s contribution to village life. She has served on the Parish Council for around 30 years, taking over the Chair from John Warner in 2000. So who better to express the Council’s gratitude?

*On behalf of past members of Stilton Parish Council and villagers* writes John, *I would like to record an acknowledgement of the service Olive has given to the village over her many years as a member of the Parish Council and finally as Chairman.*

*Since taking over the Chair from me in 2000 she has been the driving force behind the new Pavilion project and its fulfilment.*

*Olive has decided to retire and can be proud of her contributions to the village improvements that have been made. Over the years, she has been actively involved with other organisations which have benefited from her wisdom, experience and leadership.*

*We wish her a long and happy retirement.*

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Come to the Tea-Table!
TRY TABLE TENNIS AT TEA-TIME

There is now 'Tea Time Table Tennis' between 5:30 - 7pm on Tuesdays, followed by our club night at 7pm for 12-year-olds (year 7) and upwards. Coaching will be available, led by Mark Mitchell, who played for England over 50 times. He is one of the best coaches in the country.

There is also a seniors' session every Monday from 2pm - 4pm.

Equipment is provided; all you need is appropriate footwear, i.e. trainers. Coaching is available for all abilities.

Table tennis is one of the few physical sports that enables all ages to play together - and it's a great way to exercise the body and the brain too!

If you would like to play table tennis please ring Steve Ambler on (01733) 242156 or email: stiltontabletennis@gmail.com

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Stilton Pavilion

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For all enquiries, please contact the Amenities Manager, Julian Pagliaro:
07484 746894 | stiltonpavilion@gmail.com

If leaving a message, please provide a LANDLINE PHONE NUMBER and you will be contacted promptly. (It’s very expensive having to reply to lots of mobiles!)

If using email, please be sure to give us your CORRECT email address and check your spam box if you don’t receive a prompt reply.

Stilton Parish Meeting Room

The Parish Room will be open from 10am to 11am immediately following Parish Council meetings, which are on the Wednesday following the second Tuesday in the month. If you want to speak with the Clerk at any other time, please make an appointment. Planning applications can be viewed by appointment; telephone (01733) 229130.

HIRING THE ROOM

The Meeting Room is available for hire between 9am and 10:30pm Monday to Saturday; Sunday hours by arrangement. A booking form and conditions of hire are available from the Clerk to Stilton Parish Council.

The Room seats up to 20 people, ideal for small clubs or committee meetings. It has broadband, a kitchen area and toilet suitable for use by disabled people. Users should note that smoking is not permitted in any part of the building, nor in the surrounding cemetery.

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A deposit of £50 is required when booking.
Our first anniversary concert went very well with our largest attendance so far, writes Tony Oliver. I was presented with a ‘birthday’ cake by team members Carol & Marvin Richards, which was a nice surprise and was later enjoyed by everyone present. Also enjoyed by everyone was the playing of Jon Smith who had a ‘Ken Dodd’ moment when he overran by some 15 minutes before we and his wife, Chiho Sunamoto, intervened. A great moment and special value as everybody saw the funny side of it.

Chiho is in fact our next superb player on Sunday 17th June. It may well be that Jon will join her for a few duets both on keyboards and vocally. Whatever happens the entertainment will be of a high quality.

As mentioned last month, Dutch artiste DirkJan Ranzijn played for us on the 20th May and was the first player making a return visit. I also said that the blinds had been installed in the Pavilion and this has made the presentation and ambience much better. I sincerely hope that more light music lovers will join the ‘party’ at the Pavilion for something different. Your continued support is much appreciated, both by myself and the Pavilion management. Plans for 2019 are well in hand as I negotiate to obtain the best players available from home and abroad.

Concerts cost just £7.50 per person and start at 2:30pm (doors open 2pm), with an interval for free refreshments, finishing around 5pm. Do come and join our music-loving group, you will be welcomed by our friendly team of helpers. We look forward to seeing you at the Pavilion.

For further details please contact Tony Oliver: telephone 01480 474282 or 07918 602600 email tony.oliver5@btinternet.com.
Stilton Ground Hop
29th July 2018

Stilton Pavilion / Gates open 12pm

STILTON UNITED

Football is coming home!

£4.00
PER PERSON
(Under 16’s FREE!)
What would summer be without the...

St Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

SUMMER QUIZ?

'Where on Earth ... or not?'

Entries £1 each from Pat Maltman (242229) or Hi-Lite

Proceeds to St Mary Magdalene Church
Harvest Festival Lunch
Sunday 7th October
We will have shared lunch; select what you would like to bring and take a ticket from the board in the Church Foyer. No charge.

Safari Supper
Saturday 10th November
We will have an exciting and very pleasant evening around Stilton, a three-course meal with coffee and some entertainment to follow. You will supply one of the courses.

The cost is £7.50 per head to Church Funds. Contact Linda Mitchell for details.

Quiz Night
Saturday 20th October
Stilton School Hall
A fun night! Teams of up to eight or come as individuals and we will find you partners. Ploughman's suppers and desserts at half time. Please bring your own drinks.

Tickets are £7.50 each from Pat Maltman.

Sawtry Chorale Concert
Saturday 1st December
In St Mary Magdalene Church
We had them last year and most of you missed them. Those of us who went thought it was well worth going to again and so have invited them back. Don't miss it this time; they have a good following so get your tickets early.

Tickets £8.00 from Peter Mitchell

Church Christmas Tree Festival
December 8th & 9th
It was a fantastic success in 2016 and we now want to make it even better. The whole Church is decorated with Christmas Trees. You might like to supply and decorate a tree or sponsor a tree for decorating.

Contact Peter Mitchell.

During both days there will be a programme of music and events.
Worship in June

Sun 3rd 11:15am Holy Communion

Wed 6th Holy Communion followed by Soup Lunch

Sun 10th 8am Holy Communion [BCP] Revd Gordon Limbrick
11:15am Brownies and Rainbows Parade Service

Sun 17th 11:15am Holy Communion
3pm Deanery Confirmation
St Peter's, Yaxley

Sun 24th 8am Holy Communion [BCP]
11:15am LinCup - Café-style worship for families
4pm Outdoor Worship at Denton

Stilton Group
Garden Party

Saturday 23rd June
4-6pm
Rectory Garden

Stilton Church
Coffee Morning

June 23rd
10:30am - noon
Everybody is welcome.

Keyboard Needed

Do you have an electronic piano keyboard that is not currently being used? At St Mary Magdalene Church, we need a keyboard to support our Sunday worship. It needs to be the kind that sits on a separate stand and have a full set of weighted keys. It would be stored in the main body of the church during the week.

If you have such a keyboard, we would love to talk to you about the possibility of borrowing it.

Many thanks. Revd Richard Gibbs 248701
Snap Chat - Reminder
SEND US YOUR SUMMER PICTURES FOR A STILTON CALENDAR

At last it’s summer! So more opportunities to get out & about with your camera to capture images that reflect Stilton at its best.

Remember - you’ve got to be in it to win it! So here’s a reminder of the rules:

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- Images must be your own original work and not previously published anywhere.

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- Local landmarks
- Village events or activities
- Landscapes / mood images

Go on - be creative!

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We want your material!

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For **Folklore**, email to Sarah Abbott at abbottsarahj@hotmail.co.uk or call her on 247275

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Help the Foodbank

The Foodbank helps those in need in our local communities. Staple foods are always welcome, especially tinned vegetables, tinned meat and bottles of squash.

Please leave your donation in Stilton Church porch or contact Pearl [241114] if you need any items collected.

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WHEN | WHO | WHAT
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Saturday 23rd June | Village Hall | Book Fayre and Art Exhibition
Saturday 7th July | Pre-school | Traditional Summer Fair
Tuesday 10th July | Village Hall | AGM
Saturday 29th September | Village Hall | Autumn Fayre
Saturday 1st December | Village Hall | Bingo & Bar

FOLKSWORTH, WASHINGLEY & MORBORNE VILLAGE HALL

Our fourth fund-raising event of the year is a Book Fayre & Art Exhibition on Saturday 23rd June from 2pm to 5pm. There are two ways in which you can support us:

- Donate books of all types, sizes and age ranges beforehand. You can leave them on our door step (38 Townsend Way) or call Sarah or Stephen on (01733) 247275 to arrange collection.

- Come along on the day to see the fantastic work of the Folksworth Art Group and buy books at great prices. Due to popular demand there will also be a selection of jigsaws available to purchase too.

FOLKSWORTH PRE-SCHOOL

The Preschool team are holding their Annual Summer Fair on Saturday 7th July on the park at the end of Townsend Way. Raffle tickets are available in advance, with a big cash prize of £500. See the adverts for details. If you are interested in having a stall at the Fair OR entering a tug of war team call 07540 517522 or email events.folksworthpreschool@gmail.com

NEWS FROM ST HELEN’S

Our Services in June, all starting at 9:45am, are as follows:

3rd Holy Communion
10th Family Folkus in the school hall
17th Morning Praise
24th All Age Worship in the school hall
FOLKSWORTH SCHOOL

Although we still have a very busy few weeks to go to the end of this term, we are already looking towards the next academic year and the exciting plans we can make for it. You see our school family is growing! We are delighted that from September a new headteacher will be joining us, as well as a full class of new Reception children.

Michelle Norbury has been in Primary Education for 14 years and has a breadth of leadership experience, most recently as Deputy Head of a Primary School in Peterborough. Her shared ethos and vision for the school shone through during the recruitment process. ‘I am passionate about developing both children and staff to fulfil their potential,’ Michelle says, ‘and I believe we can all achieve so much more in the right, nurturing and stimulating environment. Folksworth has a great reputation across the area, and I am really looking forward to being able to shape that and impact on its future.’

Although our Reception class for September 2018 is full with a waiting list, there are a few spaces in other year groups. So if you want to be part of this growing family too, please visit our website or contact us for details: www.folksworth.cambs.sch.uk.

FOLKSWORTH SCHOOL PTA

Thank you to everyone who supported our Bags of Support clothing collection. We received lots of donations and are hoping to have raised a good amount for the school.

This term as the weather hots up we will be selling ice poles after school. This was really popular last year and is open to all children (and adults!) in the village. Visit the school at 3:15pm on sunny days for a treat.

We are also planning a film night this term so please look out for details of this on the Folksworth C of E School PTA page on Facebook. If you're not already signed up to the Facebook page please do. It's a great way to keep up to date with what's going on.

FOLKSWORTH ART CLUB

We meet on Thursdays from 12:30 to 4:30 pm in Folksworth Village Hall to paint/draw in a friendly, informal atmosphere, helping each other when necessary.

NEW MEMBERS AND BEGINNERS ARE VERY WELCOME

Why not join us? Bring your own materials. £3 per session, including refreshments.

Contact Cherry Hadley Tel: 01733 244258 - or just come along and enjoy yourself!

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Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
2017-18 has been another challenging year for the Parish Council. We continued to be under strength by two councillors for most of the year but then were able to co-opt two new councillors for the last quarter, so for the first time in a very long time we were at full strength. Sadly, one of the existing Councillors and one of the new ones decided not to stand for re-election for personal reasons, which meant that the seven who stood were elected unopposed. So we again have two vacancies; if anyone is interested in being co-opted please contact the Clerk.

I would like to thank all Councillors for their support during the year and the Clerk for her hard work.

The play park facility continues to be a well-used local amenity. The council has had several issues over the past 12 months, with vandalism to several bits of play equipment in the park. We would ask residents to remain vigilant and report any issues to the parish clerk and the local police.

The council would like to remind parishioners that the recreation ground is not available for use by dog walkers and that all dogs must be kept in close control on the public footpaths, especially at this time of year when young livestock is grazing.

Last year also saw the use of the play area to host the annual village fete. The 2017 Fete was a great success and saw over 400 residents in attendance on the day, and all who attended agreed it was a fantastic village event. In addition, over £1800 was raised for the local Pre-School. The Council has been happy to support the event utilising the play park for 2018, and we hope that you can all attend what promises to be an even bigger event this year.

Complaints have also continued about the size, number and speed of heavy goods vehicles using the village. There will be a traffic monitoring survey carried out in July.

The Council website is to undergo redevelopment in 2018; however it still contains useful parish information and details of the parish council's meetings. We would like your feedback on any changes you would like to see to the current website.

Cllr Blackman handles the Facebook pages and you will find her report below.

Once again, the Chrono (time trial) cycling event will come through Folksworth on Saturday, June 2nd. Although the road through the village will be 'closed' between 11-6pm there will be one-way access through the village with crossing points manned by stewards. It will be possible to move through the village all day but will take longer and they'd prefer as few people as possible do so. They will leaflet the houses on the route a day or so before, advising people not to leave cars parked on the route. Apparently, they can be towed if they cause any obstruction.
On the Sunday (June 3) the Gran Fondo will not come through Folksworth but will come up from Washingley, turn right at the junction towards Stilton, turn right again and head back down through Denton and Caldecote. The corner, just beyond Elm Road, will be a fantastic vantage point around lunch time to watch 8,000 bikes zoom past. The road between Folksworth and Stilton will close for approximately an hour and a half while that happens. Those who live in Washingley will obviously be more affected.

There will be a clean-up team following the whole route at the end of the race.

2017/18 has been quiet on the planning front, with a limited number of planning applications being discussed by the council. The council continues to discuss any planning applications submitted in the council and our views on planning are recorded in minutes of our meetings.

At the annual budget meeting in November the Parish Council decided not to increase the precept this year. Should there be any shortfall in the budget this would be met from Parish Council reserves.

Mark Randall
Chairman

PARISH MAINTENANCE

Parish maintenance walks were undertaken on 9th July 2017 and 11th March 2018. These walks are useful to identify issues concerning, for example, potholes, trees, road signs, parish furniture e.g. seats.

Having identified issues, the relevant authorities were informed of, if the parish is responsible, work is scheduled depending on urgency and finances.

After consultation with the residents, work has been carried out on the tree belt behind the houses on Townsend Way on the playing field.

Frank and Richard Coles have continued to keep the Parish grass areas in good order in line with the Parish Maintenance Contract. The Parish Council would like to thank them for all their hard work over the last year.

POCKET PARK

Work has commenced on the area between the pond and the school to produce a Pocket Park. This area appears to have been once a small orchard and there are still two old apple trees growing there. It is our vision to add more fruit trees to produce a community orchard, whilst also encouraging wildlife. In November 2017 a survey of the trees was undertaken and because of this several trees were felled in February 2018. The resultant logs were removed by residents for firewood etc. We have also removed ivy from other trees so that these can be further assessed later in the year. We are beginning to clear the area around the apple trees to make them more accessible so that Parishoners can help themselves to the fruit in the Autumn. If you would like to get involved with helping with this project, please contact Councillor Pat Clarke or Councillor Alison Brown.

Alison Brown

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

Social Media is increasingly the fastest tool with which to communicate with the villages. We are seeing growing interaction
on our Facebook page and the new Folksworth & Washingley Facebook Group. Villagers have been using it to send messages to the council, share information and advertise village events. Back in December we had Heart Radio broadcasting live from the village pond and were able to share video and photos of this on our Facebook page. It's been great to see lost pets reunited via the page, village events advertised, photos shared and even 'Thank yous' from our First Responders with all of their new equipment, funded partly by donations from the village.

With the major road works on the A1(M) we are able to keep everyone up to date on any closures and diversions. A post from our page regarding the imminent disruption this week reached over 4500 Facebook users! Our posts on average are viewed by between 200-400 users. Our page has 358 'Likes' as of today. It has been a great tool for the Parish Council to share information.

However, I know that a 'Page' on Facebook isn't the easiest way for users to interact; the Parish Council see their posts as we are page admin, but other residents don't always. So, in the last few months I have started a Folksworth & Washingley Village Group, where locals have been busy posting adverts for events, requests for recommendations and information for each other. It is currently set so that admin must approve posts. I have done this so that we are not 'spammed' with adverts for irrelevant items, businesses or events. I have also taken the decision to limit how many times businesses and events outside of the village can post as we don't want to be bogged down and lose pertinent information amongst adverts.

If anyone has any ideas, recommendations or anything they'd like to see less / more of on our page & group, please just let us know. What about Twitter..... is that something we should use too?

Lisa Blackman, Vice Chairman

WASHINGLEY BROADBAND UPDATE

In March 2018, Connecting Cambridgeshire held an information evening in Stilton Primary School to a small number of representatives to discuss the local area and villages' access to fast, reliable broadband.

Connecting Cambridgeshire is part of a government initiative rolling out superfast broadband to thousands of homes and businesses across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough that would not otherwise be able to receive it.

The programme aims to bring superfast fibre broadband to 99% of the homes across Cambridgeshire by the end of 2020. The roll-out is being covered in four phases:

Phase 1 and 2 are complete.

Phase 3: (2017 - 2019) has Planning and surveys underway.

Phase 4 : (2018 to 2020) is in the planning stage.

The Washingley area is currently planned for early-mid 2019 and the Parish Council will keep you posted as the developments occur.

Gordon Fenwick
**SYNOPSIS OF ACCOUNTS 2017-18**

Staff costs for the year were £6229 and running costs for items such as insurance, subscriptions, hall hire, play inspections, audit, office expenses, communications etc totalled just under £4000.

Parish Maintenance, including grass cutting, amounted to just over £10,000 and Section 137 and Community Grants totalled £3900.

The balance at March 31st 2018 was £17,056.00

The Precept for this financial year has remained the same. The budget for the new Financial Year is £33,615. Council again received a clear audit. Some long-term funds have now been created for the eventual replacement of assets and Council's reserve remains at £12,132.00.

*Jackie Stanbridge*  
*Clerk to the Council/RFO*

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**Movers & Shakers**  
**FOLKSWORTH PARISH COUNCILLORS 2018-22**

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HDC DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

As usual, the past year has been very busy at Huntingdon District Council. A new Council Leader, Graham Bull, was appointed in May last year, together with new members of the Cabinet with different approaches to Communities and relationships which they hoped to expand on by having 2 x Parish and Town Council Conferences which highlighted the local residents' concerns. Dog fouling appeared the top of the list!

The new Council Leader sits on the new Devolution Council and is fighting for a share of the money promised by the Government for Huntingdonshire to improve the local areas regarding transport, roads and housing.

Unfortunately, the community tax had to be reluctantly raised this year by 2.5% as the Council staff had not had an increase in salaries for quite a while. Whilst the numbers of staff had been reduced over the past two years if was felt that with their increased workload it could not have been held down any longer.

I have now stepped down from my role as District Councillor after four years. I have enjoyed serving my Ward, which includes Folksworth, Elton, Morborne, Haddon, Sibson, Stibbington, Water Newton, Chesterton and Alwalton, and they have kept me very busy with issues regarding planning, roads, and individual residents’ problems.

I hope that for the next four years you will give the new District Councillors the help and support that I have received and they will in turn give and support you.

Rita Mathews
FOLKSWORTH, WASHINGLEY AND MORBORNE VILLAGE HALL

BOOK FAYRE AND FOLKSWORTH ART CLUB EXHIBITION

ON SATURDAY 23RD JUNE - 2PM TO 5PM

Tea/coffee and home-made cakes available too

Please support our Fayre by coming along on the day with cash to spend AND donating your books in advance for re-sale. You can leave donations on our doorstep (38 Townsend Way, Folksworth) or alternatively call Sarah or Stephen on 01733 247275 to arrange collection.

All profit will go towards further improvements to the Village Hall

Registered Charity No. 270663

Folksworth Fair

Folksworth Fun Park, Townsend Way - Saturday 7th July

Are YOU and your friends Folksworth’s Tug of War CHAMPIONS?
Could YOU hold this year’s title of the STRONGEST?
At just £1 per person (team of 5) why not join us and find out?

1st Prize: Free Pint of Beer or Glass of Wine* and year-long Bragging Rights!

Enter your team of 5 by emailing events.folksworthpreschool@gmail.com or text us on 07540 517552 with your Team name and contact details. Alternatively, why not check out and apply through our Facebook page @folksworthpreschool

Payment of £5 per team to be made on the day.

*Per team member

All proceeds made will be donated to Folksworth Preschool. Registered Charity No. 1013635
Folksworth Fair
Folksworth Fun Park, Townsend Way
SATURDAY
7th July
12:00 - 3:00 PM

FACE PAINTING
Gin Club 500 Bar
Classic Cars BOUNCY CASTLE
Stalls Team Events
AND MUCH MUCH MORE!!!!!

If you would like more details on our event or to hold a stall at our Fair please contact us on 07540 517522 or email us at Events.folksworthpreschool@gmail.com
St Mary Magdalene Church Stilton
Saturday 14th July
7:00 for 7:30

Springfield Jazz will be playing a wide range of popular jazz tunes, hymns and spirituals in the New Orleans / Dixieland style.
Dancing in the aisles is not forbidden!

You can book your tickets on our web page
www.stiltonchurches.com/stilton/events
or call 01733 241114

Tickets £8.00
which includes refreshments in the interval - under 12 free

For more information contact Peter Mitchell on 01733 244666
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**WHAT**
- Toddler's Dance
- Playgroup (Stilton)
- Stay & Play
- Mums & Toddlers (Folksworth)
- Pre-School (Folksworth)

**WHEN**
- 9:15am
- 9 - 11:45 & 1 - 3pm
- 9 - 10:15am
- 10:00-11:30 term time
- 9:00am - 3:00pm

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**WHAT**
- Parish Council (Stilton)
- Parish Council (Folksworth)
- Sewing Group
- Over 60's Club

**WHEN**
- Wednesday after 2nd Tuesday 7:30pm
- 7:30 - 9:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month
- 2:30 - 5pm
- 2:00pm

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**WHAT**
- Holy Communion
- Holy Communion (BCP)
- LinCup (Café style worship)
- Stilton Group Service
- Linking Hands (mums)
- Crossover (Y6)
- Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Holy Communion (soup lunch)
- Church Choir
- Prayer Focus
- Christian Congregation in UK

**WHEN**
- 1st & 3rd Sun 11:15am
- 2nd & 4th Sun 8:00am
- 2nd & 4th Sun 11:15am
- 5th Sunday in month
- 9am
- 6 - 7pm in term time
- 8am 2nd Saturday in month
- 1st Wednesday 12:30-1:30
- 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7:30pm
- 8am
- 5 - 11pm, 1st & 3rd Sun in month

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**WHAT**
- Stilton Gardening Club
- Pilates (Stilton)
- Pilates (Folksworth)
- Clubbercise
- Stilton Table Tennis Club
- Stilton Carpet Bowls Club
- Folksworth Indoor Bowls
- Peterborough Opera Group
- Band
- Yoga
- Mat Pilates
- Chair Exercise
- Stilton United FC
- Taoist Tai Chi
- Folksworth Art Club
- Folksworth Ladies' Circle
- Yaxley Flower Club
- Stilton Stumblers (walking group)
- Papercrafting
- Indoor Bootcamp
- Dance lessons

**WHEN**
- 3rd Tues 7:30pm
- 9:30-10:30; 10:30-11:30am
- 10.00 - 11.00am & 10.30 - 11.30am
- 7:45-8:45pm Wed. 8 - 9pm Thurs.
- 7.15 - 8.15pm
- Mon (adults) 2-4pm; Tue 7:00-9:30pm
- 2pm Mon, 7.30pm Thu
- 7 - 9pm weekly. May-Aug fortnightly
- 7:30 - 9:30pm
- 8 - 9:35pm
- 5.30 - 7pm
- Mon 8-9pm; Tue 6-7pm; Wed 9-10:30
- 11am-12:30pm
- 3:00pm kick-off
- 7:30pm
- 12:30-4:30pm
- 7:30-9:30pm 4th Tuesday in month
- 3rd Thursday, 7:30pm
- Alternate Sundays 10:00am
- 10am-noon, 2nd Monday in month
- 5:30 - 6:30pm
- 3:00 - 6:00pm
- 3:10 - 4pm (4th Wed in month)
- 10:45 - 11am (4th Wed in month)
- 10 - 11:45am
- 1st Weds, 2 - 4 pm
- 10am - 2:30pm
- 10:30am - 1:30pm
WHERE
Stilton Church Meeting Room
Playgroup
Stilton Pavilion
Folksworth Village Hall
Folksworth Village Hall

WHO
Michelle Pratt
Leslie Kirk
Rebecca Mills
Georgina
Nikki

CALL
07906 114942
247682
07498 528393
07542 172075

To book: Stilton Pavilion - 07 484 746894  | Folksworth Village Hall - (01733) 241938  |  Stilton Church Meeting Room - (01733) 243553  |  Stilton Parish Room - (01733) 241042 |  Leave a LANDLINE number!

Sawtry Friendship Club
Sawtry Day Centre
Carers' Group
Age Well Club
Mobile Library (Folksworth)
Mobile Library (Stilton)
Dance lessons
Indoor Bootcamp
Papercrafting
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Parish Council (Stilton)
Stilton United Colts

To join Stilton or Folksworth Rainbows, Brownies or Guides, please visit: www.girlguiding.org and click on ‘Get Involved.’

Pre-School (Folksworth)
Mums & Toddlers (Folksworth)
Stay & Play
Playgroup (Stilton)
Toddler’s Dance

Are we up to date? Tell SCAN about your activities!

Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
Sawtry Chorale

presents a

Summer Concert

Friday 6th July at 7:30pm

All Saints Church Sawtry PE28 5TD

Featuring a selection of music to suit all tastes. Refreshments & Raffle available during the interval.

Tickets £10 - under 12’s free
Contact Joyce: 01487 831 435
or members of Sawtry Chorale

Stilton & District Twinning Association

Anniversary Visit

25 to 29 August 2018

St Christol Twinning Association and the Mairie of St Christol have invited a group from Stilton and district to St Christol for a celebratory visit.

(Your visit could be part of a summer holiday to the region)

Once there visitors will be hosted by local families

There will be a programme of visits and celebrations.

If you would like to take part in the visit please contact:
Chris Walford. Tel 07720 718078 or email: clstilton@btinternet.com
War & Peace

An evening of music to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the first world war
Friday 6th July 2018 at 7:30pm
Stilton Pavilion, High Street Stilton, PE7 3RA
Tickets are £5, available on the door, plus a retiring collection for the Royal British Legion

Sponsored by Darke Engineering

Stilton Playgroup

Our pre-school offers fun-play and learning for children aged from 2 years 6 months to school age in a child-friendly environment.

08:45 – 11:45 Monday – Friday Preschool Children
12:30 – 15:30 Monday – Thursday From 2 years 6 months

We also offer limited all day sessions for pre-school children (08:45 - 15:30).
Children aged 2 years 6 months can also attend a Friday morning session

We offer 15 & 30 hours funding and we accept childcare vouchers.

— Open Day —

Please come to our open day on Friday 29th June 9:30 till 11:30 when parents and children can come to the setting to see what we offer, play and meet the team

Please contact Lesley Kirk 01733 247682 for further information
Diggers Wanted
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
We will teach you! Bring a friend!

If you are aged 15 or over, friendly, fit or not so fit, come along and enjoy all aspects of archaeological excavation and have a good time as well. Not everyone has to dig, there are lots of other jobs. We provide equipment, except for hats and sun cream.

This excavation of a Roman site at Nassington, near Peterborough, will run from 18th August – 1st September 2018 Come for the whole time or just a couple of days

Get the volunteer application forms, and FAQ and contact details from https://www.midnag.org.uk

The excavation is fully insured by Towergate Insurance
The longest day is June 21, and the light and (we hope) warmth, brings on rapid growth - not all of it welcome! We need to clear away the spring bulbs, think about the future when taking cuttings, keep up with the lawn regime and plant out the bedding plants and containers. And, of course, keep plants well watered.

If you are new to gardening you may need some advice on what to grow to get started. Here is a list compiled from the advice of many experts:

**SWEET PEAS**
Can be bought as plug plants but the large seeds are easy to sow. Choose a sunny spot and provide support, such as a trellis, fence or canes, and water regularly.

**NASTURTIUMS**
Their large seeds can be planted straight into the ground once the last frosts are over. They look good in containers too.

As a bonus, both leaves and flowers are edible in summer salads.

**PANSIES**
The easiest way is to buy plug plants, in both summer and winter. To keep them flowering, you MUST dead-head every day, as soon as you see flowers begin to curl.

**SUNFLOWERS**
Not only colourful, but provide food for birds too! The seeds can be sown directly into the soil once the danger of frost is over. Space the seeds 6" apart, 1-2 inches deep. Keep watered. Once the second set of leaves appear, thin plants to two feet apart. You may need to support the plants with bamboo poles if they grow over 3ft tall.

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**Stilton Gardening and Natural History Club**
**STILTON CHURCH MEETING ROOM**
**7:30PM TUESDAY JUNE 19TH**

*Members-only Meeting*

Visit to Philip Shailer's owls at 81 North Street

Please meet outside 81 North Street at 6:55pm.

Further details from Olive (241206)
Volunteers Matter!

THEY MAKE YAXLEY LIBRARY A VIBRANT PLACE

RECOGNITION

Thank you to everyone for taking part and helping to decorate the library with pretty eggs. The lucky winners of our competition were Leo Tabor and Jessica Swift. Please call in to the library to collect your prize.

Our volunteers Jenny and Vernon Clarke recently received a Community Award at the Yaxley Gazette Community Award evening. We would like to pass on many congratulations to you both on this fantastic recognition for all the work you do.

YOU TOO?

On Tuesday June 5th 10am - 12pm we are holding a Volunteer Event. This is to say thank you to all our volunteers here at Yaxley Library. If you would like to be involved in volunteering at Yaxley please come along and chat to other volunteers and ask about opportunities available.

THE LIBRARY PRESENTS

Thanks to Arts Council funding, Yaxley Library will be hosting a wonderful selection of arts events this autumn. Music; comedy; drama; magic; workshops; storytelling… the choice is yours!

To choose what takes place, please join us at our SELECTION PARTY on Wednesday 6th June, 6:30 - 7:30pm. Everyone welcome; drinks & nibbles will be served.

LEARN ABOUT HISTORY

Commemoration of the 100 Years War. Pop into Yaxley Library and view our display of books and materials kindly supplied by our Local History Group.

CAFÉ CULTURE

Welcome to Café Club who have recently moved into the library space. They can be found on a Friday morning from 9:30 - 12pm for tea, coffee, cake and conversation. Anyone is welcome to drop in and join them. Small donations are welcome for the cakes.

REGULAR EVENTS FOR CHILDREN

These events all run during term-time and are free of charge, although donations are always welcome. Parents/carers should stay with their children.

Storytime - aimed at children 18 months - 4 years. Runs on alternate Tuesdays 10:30am - 11:00am and dates for June are 5th and 19th.

Rhymetime - aimed at babies & children 0 - 18 months. Runs every Friday 10:30am - 11:00am.

Book & Biscuit - aimed at children 4 - 7 years. The next session is on 14th June 3:30pm - 4:15pm. This will be the last session before the summer holidays.
Our weekly **Lego Club** runs every Saturday morning 10:00 am - 11:30 am and there is a charge of 50p per child.

**REGULAR EVENTS FOR ADULTS**

These are also all free of charge, although donations are always welcome for refreshments.

**Games Club** every Tuesday from 2 pm. Dates for June: Rummikub on 5th and 19th; Mahjong on 12th and 26th.

**EngAGE in the Afternoon** - Wednesday 20th June 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm. Join local historian Barry Edwards for a talk about the history of St Peter's Church, Yaxley. Advance booking required. Collect a free ticket from library staff or call 0345 045 5225.

A **yoga class** runs at Yaxley Library every Monday evening, 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm. If you wish to join this class please contact Brian Appleyard. Tel: 01733 244642, email: bappleyard08@tiscali.co.uk

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**The Great Fen Project**

**AN IMPORTANT ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT - ON OUR DOORSTEP**

The May meeting of Stilton Gardening and Natural History Club heard from Mandy Corney, an Administrator and Volunteer Officer, about the great progress made in this 50-year project to restore the fen landscape, just over the other side of the A1.

While this is a great national project with high profile supporters, including Prince Charles, it is also a local asset that we can use and share. It’s a great place to walk, watch the wildlife or take photographs.

Look at the excellent web site - www.greatfen.org.uk. This will lead you to a host of other contacts; there are exhibitions, workshops, daily events, volunteering opportunities. You can shop online or just visit.

**WHAT ARE THE HOLME POSTS?**

*(Postcode PE7 3PT)*

If you don't know about these unique landmarks in Holme Fen Nature Reserve, then turn off the Yaxley to Holme road, cross the railway line and look for a layby in about half a mile. Just across the dyke you will be walking on the lowest point in Britain, at 2.7 metres (9 feet) below sea level. An information board tells you all about the cast iron posts standing proudly 4 metres above the ground.

In 1851 one post was sunk into the ground, so we can see how much the peat has shrunk since the draining of Whittlesey Mere. (The post is said to have come from the Crystal Palace 1851 Great Exhibition. The second post was added in 1957).
Summer at last! But when firing up your BBQs and putting out the garden furniture for the summer, follow our top tips to have a fun and safe summer in the garden.

- Always check over your barbecue after its winter storage. Keep it on level ground and away from sheds, fences, overhanging foliage and property.

- Keep children and garden games well away from the cooking area and never leave the barbecue unattended.

- If you have a bonfire, build it well away from buildings, tents or other flammable objects and make sure it is properly out when you leave it.

- When out in the countryside, extinguish cigarettes properly and dispose of them responsibly – never throw a lit cigarette into a field or wooded area.

- Don’t forget to stay safe around our county’s waterways. If you see someone in trouble in water, call 999 immediately with clear details of your location.

- When using a tent, never use candles inside or nearby and always discourage smoking nearby. Never cook inside a tent.

For our latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk. Sign up to email alerts and find us on Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Facebook.

Yaxley Library
OPENING TIMES
Mon 3:00 - 7:00
Tue 9:30 - 5:00
Wed CLOSED
Thu 9:30 - 5:00
Fri 9:30 - 1:30
Sat 9:30 - 1:30

Renewals & enquiries: (0345) 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Mobile Library
Wed 27th June
Folksworth
10:30 - 10:50am Elm Road
Stilton
3:10 - 4pm
Outside The Talbot
Route M24
June Delights

TRY THIS QUINTESSENTIALLY ENGLISH SUMMER DESSERT

The choice of British produce is overwhelming this month. Some, like broad beans and elderflowers, have quite short seasons so this month SCAN suggests how to use elderflowers, available freely in hedges and gardens. These flowers make refreshing summer drinks, but also can be used in baking cakes, puddings and jellies.

Gooseberry and Elderflower Fool

Two seasonal products that combine in a light, creamy dessert.

Cook together:

- 500g gooseberries
  (no need to top or tail)
- Two heads of elderflower
- Two tablespoons caster sugar
- Two pieces of lemon zest

...until juices start to run. Stir and cook for another 5 minutes over a low heat until the gooseberries are soft. Discard the elderflower heads.

Crush the fruit, then place in a sieve and allow the juices to drip through into a bowl. Give them a helping hand by pushing through the juice.

Lightly whip 350ml. double cream, swirl in the juice and place in individual dishes and chill.

This can be made the day before and kept ready in the fridge.

Your Community Needs You!

If you own a car, enjoy driving and helping people and have a few hours to spare a week then maybe you would consider becoming a volunteer driver for the North Hunts Community Car Scheme?

We would love you to join us, so call Dianne or Jennie on 07795 542084 to find out more.
Early Morning Appointments
ON TUESDAYS

We are now offering early morning appointments with our Nursing Team from 7am on Tuesdays.

Appointments can be made for Blood Tests, INRs, Smears, Dressings, NHS Health Checks, Routine ECGs, New Patient Medicals and Diabetic Reviews.

If an early morning appointment would suit you then please ask when booking your appointment with Reception.

Text/email reminders

Due to the changes to the Data Protection Act, we will no longer be able to send you SMS text messages or emails without your written consent from May 2018.

You can provide your consent in the following ways:

- Electromically via SystmOnline by allowing SMS notifications under the Change Contact Details option. (If you would like an account for SystmOnline, please contact reception.) Or:

- In writing giving your consent, outlining your name, address, date of birth and your signature.

Using text messages/email is a very quick, efficient and environmentally friendly way for us to contact patients regarding important reminders about upcoming appointments, clinic dates, health-related surveys and research and other health-related information.

It is also very important that we have your up to date contact information.

Please be assured that we will not share your contact details or personal information with any third parties.

If you do not wish to be contacted by text/email, please let us know and we will update your record accordingly. This again can be done online or in writing.

Remember you can change your mind regarding this at any time and as many times as you like.

Doctors

Welcome back to Dr Stephanie Betts-Masters who has returned following her maternity leave.
C-Card Scheme

The c-card scheme provides access to free condoms in a variety of places for young people up to the age of 25 years.

At Yaxley we DO NOT register young people for the scheme but if you have registered elsewhere then you can pick up free condoms by showing our Receptionists your keyring/card and then they will issue you with condoms.

Hay Fever

You do not need to see the doctor for hay fever symptoms! Hay fever and seasonal allergy treatments such as tablets, eye drops and nasal sprays are all easily available at low cost from your local pharmacy or supermarket - no prescription required!

Pharmacists can offer advice on how to avoid triggers and how to treat your hay fever.

Some self-help tips which may help you are:

- Wear wraparound sunglasses to stop pollen getting into your eyes.
- Keep windows and doors shut, especially in the evening.
- Don't dry clothes outside - they can catch pollen.
- Staying indoors when the pollen count is high.
- Avoid cut grass/grass areas.

Skydive

Saturday 16th June

Would you or someone you know like to skydive for free and raise money for a good cause? writes Dr Alison Graham.

I am a GP at the surgery in Yaxley and a trustee of YPCS (Young People's Counselling Service). This is the only charity that offers all referrals 1:1 therapy with fully qualified counsellors.

No one is turned away and with rising numbers of kids with depression and anxiety we need your help more than ever.

£360 can fund one child through a course of treatment. Recent research has shown that for every £1 spent on this type of support, society saves over £6 by reduced costs in healthcare and the criminal justice system.

No one can beat mental health alone but with your support you can have the experience of a lifetime and help a young person who is struggling. Perhaps you have needed help in the past or know someone who does?

Register now if you are interested on www.bit.ly/2puXm8d and secure your place. They will send you sponsor forms and give you further information. Raise £315 (including your £50 booking fee) in total and your skydive is free and YPCS raise £100.

If you can't do the actual jump then please send this message to all your friends and work colleagues and with your help we will literally save lives.

Thank you
Snapping It Up
ORTONS ROTARY SPONSORS TALENTED YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHERS

Ortons Rotary Club work with Nene Park Academy in ways that benefit the school, or our efforts, or both, writes Dave Pennell. Quite often this is achieved by supporting entrants into the various national youth competitions which Rotary in Britain and Ireland organises.

The most recent competition was the Young Photographer. First, with help from Nene Park's photography tutor, there was a competition within the school to select pupils to go forward to the district competition. We were blown away by the quality of the entries - portfolios of artistic shots showing both creativity and technical merit. The hard choice was made, the most promising were rewarded by being entered in the district competition. Parents, staff and Rotarians attended a prize-giving event at the school.

The District competition was organised by the Rotary Club at Towcester and included entries from the East Midlands and Lincolnshire.

This week we heard that the District winner for the senior age group was James from Nene Park - congratulations! He will go forward to the national final in June hopeful to be at the prize-giving at de Montfort Hall in Leicester in June. Good wishes go to him from everyone at Ortons Rotary Club!

Not only that, Sophie, the intermediate age-group entrant, was a creditable runner-up. Nene Park has plenty to be proud of.

If you want to know more about Rotary and what we do, look for us on facebook or email orton.rotary@gmail.com.

Monthly Closures

The Practice will be closed on Wednesdays 20th June and 18th July, 12:30pm - 4pm

Emergency Telephone: (01733) 240478

LATE SUMMER HOLIDAY

We will be closed for the Late Summer Holiday on Monday 27th August. The surgery will be open on Saturday 25th August in the morning only.

Please make sure you have sufficient medication to cover the holiday period.

NHS choices

Have you received good service today?

Support your practice by leaving feedback on NHS choices. Go to www.nhs.uk/ or use this QR code on your mobile:
Keeping Well
News from the Wellside Clinic
(01487) 830340

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Please remember to let us know if you change your home or mobile telephone number. Sometimes it might be important for us to get a message to you urgently and this can be difficult if telephone numbers on record have not been updated.

CLINICAL TEAM

I am very sorry to have to advise patients that Dr Abby Richardson will be leaving the practice at the end of September after many years at the practice.

Dr Lekshmi Panicker will be joining the practice on Monday 17th July. She will be available for consultation on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

In the meantime, our current GP team are available for consultation as follows:

Mon  Drs Smith, Uszycka, and Jarosz
Tue  Drs Archer, Smith and Pasco
Wed  Drs Smith, Richardson and Jarosz
Thur Drs Uszycka, Jarosz and Pasco
Fri  Drs Archer, Smith and Richardson

Jon, our Advanced Practitioner, whom many of you will have met, has increased his days in the practice and is now working with us on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

IMPROVING OUR SERVICE

In order to ensure our patients are given an appointment with the most appropriate clinician we recently introduced a change to our booking process whereby our reception team ask for some brief information about the medical problem. We would like to thank our patients for understanding the need to introduce this, and for embracing the change, which allows us to ensure we can continue to provide a high level of care to all of our patients.

Best Regards,
Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager

Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Stilton Church
Meeting Room
8 - 9 am

June 9th
(Second Saturday in the month)

For further information, call
Nigel Rosbrook (01733) 246396

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