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Steve and the whole Signpost Team would like to wish local parishioners and readers worldwide a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Candlelight Carol Service

Sunday 15th December 6.00pm

St Helen's Church, Saxby



As well as the traditional carols and readings, the Da Capo Singers (from Market Rasen) will be singing.

Mulled wine and nibbles to follow.

All are very welcome to this group service.

United Carol Service

Glentham Methodist Church

Sunday 8th December 6.00pm

Please come - we would love to see you!



LETTER FROM THE MINISTRY TEAM

Dear Friends

Time flies and already we are heading towards the end of a year which has flown by. The pilgrimage to the Holy Land last November seems to be in the distant past, but there are many images and experiences from that trip that continue to have an impact on me. As Christmas approaches, I think back on the visit to Bethlehem and the Church of the Nativity. We walked up through the crowded streets of Old Bethlehem to Manger Square and the Church of the Nativity, built on the site where Jesus was born. All year round there are large crowds from all over the world visiting this special place. The entrance is through a very low narrow doorway which leads into a cavernous church. Highly decorated with hanging baubles of gold and red (just like our Christmas decorations) incense thuribles swaying, creating a sense of awe and also celebration. It was still quite early in the day but there were hundreds of people many of them pushing, shoving and queuing to get a glimpse of the grotto where Jesus was born. It was chaos. Part of me wanted to leave and escape the crowds without seeing the grotto, part of me wanted everyone to *just go away*. This, I thought, should be a place of quiet contemplation, and for a few minutes - couldn't I have Jesus to myself? How wrong I was.

And that's just it - you can't keep Jesus to yourself! Jesus didn't come into a world where people were polite and quiet. Jesus came into the world amidst the crowds, amidst conflict, pain and suffering and at a time of political upheaval. Doesn't this resonate with our own times?

As we prepare for Christmas and think of putting up the decorations, we listen to the carols and songs that play in the stores as we shop among crowds of people and as we prepare to go to the polls to elect a new government. We see, hear and read of the impact of climate change and the wars and conflicts that continue to cause such pain and suffering. It is to this world Jesus comes again this Christmas.

We prepare for that day in many ways. You may have family traditions that have built up over the years, preparing to have a house full of people or you may be going away to relatives, friends or on holiday. The church too, prepares in different ways and there are a number of services from the Advent Carol Service at Spridlington - which marks the start of our preparations with Advent carols, to the candle-lit carol service in Saxby (bring a torch!), to the Christingle at Owmby and Crib Service on Christmas Eve. The birth of Jesus is celebrated at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve and at Holy Communion on Christmas morning.

And after Christmas, as we move into a new year, do we put Jesus away with all the decorations or do we look to see him at work in our world, our country, our community?

With God's blessing for this Christmastide and for the year ahead.

Sally Turbull

FROM THE REGISTERS

We welcome into the family of the Church by baptism

Zachary Albert James Foster at Glentham on 2nd November



PRAYER FOCUS FOR DECEMBER & JANUARY

May the blessing of joy abide within you;
May the blessing of peace rest upon you;
May the blessing of love flow out from you;
May all the blessings of the Lord be yours at Christmas and in the New Year.

CHURCH SERVICES

DECEMBER

Sunday 1st	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Glentham	ST
1st of Advent	11.00 am	Advent Carol Service	Spridlington	ST
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmby	LH
Thursday 5th	6.00 pm	WLDC Civic Carol Service	Hackthorn	
Sunday 8th	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Saxby	ST
2nd of Advent	10.30 am	Sunday Special (Sunday School)	Owmby	LH
	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	ST
	6.00 pm	Carol Service	Glentham Chapel	
Sunday 15th	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	ST
3rd Advent	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Owmby	JD
	6.00 pm	Candlelit Carol Service	Saxby	ST
Sunday 22nd	11.00 am	Carol Service	Hackthorn	
4th of Advent	11.00 am	Christingle Service	Owmby	ST/LH
Tuesday 24th	4.00 pm	Crib Service	Spridlington	ST
Christmas Eve	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	Glentham	ST
Wednesday 25th *Christmas Day*	9.30 am	Christmas Eucharist	Saxby	ST
Sunday 29th	11.00 am	Group Service with Springline	Hackthorn	ST/
1st of Christmas				Revd S Matapally

JANUARY

Sunday 5th	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Glentham	ST
Epiphany	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	ST
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmby	LH
Sunday 12th	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Saxby	BW
2nd Baptism of	10.30 am	Sunday Special (Sunday School)	Owmby	LH
Christ	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn	SK
Sunday 19th	8.30 am	Holy Communion / St Hilary's Day	Spridlington	ST/JL
2nd of Epiphany	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Owmby	BW
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Glentham	LH
Sunday 26th	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	ST
3rd of Epiphany	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmby	ST

GLENTHAM METHODIST CHAPEL

DECEMBER

Sunday 1st	10.45 am	Family Church	Rev Louise Carr
Sunday 8th	6.00 pm	United Carol Service	Rev Heather Wilson
Sunday 15th	10.45 pm	Christmas Messy Church & Party	
Sunday 22nd	8.45 am	Breakfast - 9.30 Service	Rev Heather Wilson
Sunday 29th		No Service	

JANUARY

Sunday 5th	10.45 am	Service	Ian Hardcastle
Sunday 12th	6.00 pm	United Covenant Service	Rev Heather Wilson
Sunday 19th	10.45 pm	Messy Church	
Sunday 26th	8.45 am	Breakfast - 9.30 Service	Rev Heather Wilson

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The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in church activities is important to us all in the Owmby Group of Parishes.

If you have any concerns please contact one of the following:

Owmby Group Safeguarding Officer:
Shirley Keyes - 07944 403974

Rector:
Revd Sally Turnbull - 07549 522494

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer:
Debbie Johnson - 01522 504081 or 07712 321361

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Glentham Chapel Safeguarding Contacts:
Sheena Grebby - 01673 878578 & Connie Hurd - 01427 668959

Wolds and Trent Circuit Safeguarding Representative:
Fred Wrath - 07938 722618

Ministers for Wolds and Trent Circuit:
Rev Sarah Parkin - 01472 851287 & Rev Louise Carr - 01427 615184

District Safeguarding Officer (Safeguarding in Lincolnshire):
Howard Smedley - 07758 239286 or 01636 815319

HACKTHORN & COLD HANWORTH

HACKTHORN C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school council came up with a pleasant surprise for staff early in November when they proposed to decorate the Hackthorn Way sign with poppies. We are always impressed that, even at this young age, children are still able to grasp the importance of the act of remembrance. Politicians could also learn a lot from the fact that this idea was formulated and implemented in just a week!

At the same time as remembering those who gave their lives, they have also created a huge pile of shoeboxes for the Samaritans Purse appeal which will help to give a little Christmas cheer to children all over the world.

Our reception class are coming on in leaps and bounds. They have already acquired the confidence to show off their progress to packed audiences at our special Friday assemblies. It is always amazing to see the progress that can be made so early, given the right encouragement both at school and at home. Having said that, they have already had the opportunity to be 'old hands' when they welcomed a huge number of pre-school children for the first of our activity afternoons.

If you are still wondering where to send your child to school next September but haven't managed to get to any of our activity afternoons so far, don't worry, as we are holding our Christmas Arts Afternoon for pre-schoolers on 16th December from 1:30-2:30 pm. Please get in touch with us to secure a place, as these events are always very popular

Our Carol Service will be held in the Church on Thursday 19th December at 2pm. All are welcome but get there early if you want a seat, as it's always a busy one.

This year's Key Stage 1 Nativity will be on the afternoon of the 12th December, with a special performance for the village at 11am on the 11th. Call us if you'd like to come and see it.

Looking further forward, we have a really big event coming up next year - it's the school's 150th anniversary, for which we are planning a celebration on July 18th. Anyone who may be interested in being involved in the planning of this is more than welcome to get in touch. Please spread the word to any former pupils you might know.

Finally, I would like to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Successful New Year.

Contact the school on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit or request a School Brochure or visit www.hackthorn.lincs.sch.uk

Hackthorn Gardening Club

Hackthorn Village Hall

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN DECEMBER



Wednesday January 29th at 7:30pm

Guest speaker Harry Leach

"Vegetables"

WE WISH ALL OUR MEMBERS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

HACKTHORN AND COLD HANWORTH
SOCIAL CLUB

Christmas Draw

Hackthorn Village Hall

Friday, 20th December – Bar open from 8pm

The bar will be open to Club members –
Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve from 8pm

Normal Club opening – Friday 27th December

MOBILE LIBRARY			
Normanby by Spital	**Council Houses**	**12:00 - 12:30**	**Wednesdays Dec 18 January 15**
Hackthorn	**School**	**13:30 - 14:30**	
Full details, enquiries and renewals: 01522 782010			

If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor.



HACKTHORN & COLD HANWORTH LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Hackthorn Village Hall

Thursday 12th December 2019 at 7:00 pm

OPEN MEETING

Elaine Johnson

is to give her talk on

"THE LOCAL HOME FRONT IN WW2"

perhaps even including some items with a festive flavour

CANCELLED

This meeting has been cancelled because the hall is being used as a polling station for the General Election

View the History Group website at www.hackthornhistorygroup.org.uk

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SPRIDLINGTON





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on Friday 6th December at 7:30pm

Will your next throw be a double 6? Your next card be an ace?
Red or black on the roulette wheel? Can you keep a poker face?
Will Lady Luck stand by your side. With a smile like the sun?
But it matters not if you win or lose, the evening's all about fun.
But there's a raffle for an extra chance of a win!

We are looking forward to an evening of thrills and laughter:
(And without gambling real money - gaming 'chips' are provided as part of your entrance fee)

Bring your friends too. If you'd like to 'dress up' for the occasion - get the little black dress out ladies and get your man into a DJ- that would add to the fun, but it's not essential.

Tickets: £8.00 pp. A finger buffet supper will be provided.
Please bring your own drinks.

For additional details or booking ring:
Deb on 01673 860283

SPRIDLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Thank you to all residents of Spridlington Parish who voted in the Neighbourhood Planning Referendum on October 31st. The results were:

Number cast in favour of a Yes: 60 (73.2%)
Number cast in favour of a No: 22 (26.8%)
Electorate: 165 - Ballot Papers Issued: 82 - Turnout: 49.7%

More than half of those voting have voted in **FAVOUR** of the Neighbourhood Plan.

St Hilary's Church Parish Breakfast

We will be celebrating the Patronal Festival of St Hilary
at our 8.30 am Holy Communion on Sunday 19th January 2020

The Reverend John Leach will be joining us for the Service
which will be followed by breakfast in the Village Hall.
All most welcome
(Please telephone Claire on 861127 for catering purposes if you would like to join us for breakfast)

St Hilary's Church
Christmas Coffee Morning

With Sherry and Mince Pies

Wednesday 4th December at 10:30 a.m.
Toledo, Faldingworth Road
By kind invitation of Judith and David Goodchild



Raffle • Bring & Buy Stall
Proceeds to St Hilary's Church Funds
Do come along and join us, you will be very welcome



St Hilary's Church
Carol Service for Advent

With The Springline Choir
Sunday 1st December 11.00 am



You are most welcome to come along and join us for this special Service as we prepare for the Christmas season. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served afterwards.

Happy Chinese New Year on 25th January
from **Spridlington Village Hall Committee**.

2020 is the **Year of the Rat** and, according to Chinese tradition, the rat is **energetic**, **imaginative** and **adaptable**. Is this you? If so, these qualities make you an ideal person to join our Village Hall Committee. 'Rats' are also organised, responsible and good with money: just who we need to keep the Hall on an even keel! Even if this is not your sign, but you would still like to make a contribution to village life within a friendly group of people, please contact us on a number below. Rats need co-workers too! The Village Hall Committee does a wonderful job raising money to keep the Hall open, but also has fun organising events which bring villagers together. Whether you've been here for years or are newly arrived, do consider joining in.



Don't forget **Spridlington Village Hall** has its own unique personality too, which could provide the perfect venue for your special events. Whether for a special birthday party, for a family celebration or for a group event/club - the Village Hall has excellent facilities, with its period charm and its up-to-date kitchen. Bookings available.

For information, contact Deb on 01673 860283 or any Committee Member

If you have a "stop press" news item or have missed the deadline, but want to tell others about your event, you can have it put into the "Local Info" category in the news section of the website. Send an email to steve@owmbygroup.co.uk with all the details.

NORMANBY & OWMBY

NORMANBY-BY-SPITAL PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Firstly and a bit early I know, the Councillors wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

The Armistice Day service was not as well attended as in previous years but a cornet player played the *Last Post* and *Reveille*, which was lovely to hear. The Chair of Owmby, Cllr Graham Crompton-Howe laid the wreath this year, together with two children placing wooden crosses.

At the meeting of 13th November, held in the school hall, it was recorded that 21 Normanby residents and 2 Owmby residents attended the meeting. All Councillors were present. Apologies had been received from the Police, District Councillor Jeff Summers and County Councillor Lewis Strange.

Ian Richardson, owner of the Post Office/shop spoke about the lack of customers using his shop and if this continued, it would have to close. Ian asked for more people to use his shop, even if only to buy a small amount.

The rest of the public speaking time was taken up by residents asking the Councillors to change their minds about pulling out of the Neighbourhood Plan. It was explained that - due to certain legal procedures - this was not possible until at least March next year unless 3 Councillors requested the Resolution to be re-visited.

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th September have been corrected. The Police had sent in a report on recent crimes, the kerb stone outside the shop has still not been repaired, even though yellow markings have been around it for some time now. Potholes along Highgate Lane have been reported, but nothing has happened yet, so Highways will be getting a reminder.

It was agreed to increase the Signpost Donation to £150 - the first increase for at least 6 years; agreed to retain Nigel Heather to cut the Community field grass for next year; and the Clerks salary has been reviewed. The Precept has been set at £2,800, the same as last year.

There were no objections to plans sent in for Keepers Cottage and The Poplars, Main Street.

It was agreed to ratify DC Jeff Summers as a committee member of the Community Park Committee, by a vote of 4 in favour, 2 against and one abstention; and for the sub-committee who organised the Fete to review the insurance. The sub-committee were thanked for all their efforts in making the Fete a success.

The cemetery path has not yet been repaired due to adverse weather conditions, nor has a notice board been erected.

Cllr Mrs T Firth has suggested the council supply a dog pooh bag dispenser near the school. She would look into the merits with the help of Cllr Mrs L Houtby.

Cllr Mrs L Houtby thanked Ruth Elliott for taking on the Autumn litter pick this year and also Simon Smoothy of WLDC for the equipment supplied and the swift collection of the rubbish.

Under correspondence a letter from Keith Hanson and the reply from Isabelle Brooke was read out and there were letters from the school, Mr and Mrs Moorish, Mr and Mrs Bird, Owmby Parish Council and Mrs Brooke relating to the Neighbourhood Plan, having been circulated to the Councillors, were noted.

The next meeting has been arranged for **Wednesday 12th February 2020** - hopefully in the school hall.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.55.

Nadine Fox (Clerk)

OWMBY & NORMANBY
Community Park

CHRISTMAS JUMPER COMMUNITY WALK IN DECEMBER

Join us in December for a walk around the villages of Normanby and Owmby in your Christmas jumper! One mile route for adults, children, dogs and horses all welcome to dress up with a festive theme. More details to follow soon - look out for notices around the villages*





*Small Charge for participation will include hot drink and mince pie
ALL FUNDS RAISED ARE IN AID OF THE COMMUNITY PARK

S.O.S - Save Our Shop



Our Village Shop and Post Office in Normanby is an asset to our community. Not only is it there for you and your family, whatever you need, but it also helps to maintain house prices. Our villages are great place to live with the facilities of a Shop and Post Office, Pub, Primary School, Church and now our Community Park. But we need to "Use Then or Lose Them!" Please support local businesses and keep them here for us all. Some residents need the Post Office and Shop as they do not have the ability to hop in their car and nip elsewhere. If we all use the shop once a week even for a small item perhaps it will be here next time you really need it.

Please consider buying an additional item every week. I can recommend the local eggs and bread Ian stocks. If you were to drop these items from your weekly supermarket run and buy them in the village it could collectively make a huge difference.

There is also a good display just inside the door of special offers. I am sure you can find something on there that you can use. If you need a bottle of wine or pack of beer to take round to a friend; the shop has quite a range at competitive prices.

Please do what you can you keep this valuable amenity for all of us.

OWMBY PCC MONTHLY DRAW		
1st	**2nd**	**3rd**
Richard Harrison	Steph Mellor	Ken Foster

NORMANBY BY SPITAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Families

With Halloween and Bonfire Night behind us we have started our countdown to Christmas. This is always a busy, but exciting part of the school year. The younger children in the school are rehearsing for their nativity, we are deciding what to wear for our Christmas outfit day and looking forward to our Christmas Dinner in school, all alongside the fun learning that takes place in the classrooms.

We are starting to see the fun side of our collaboration with Faldingworth as we make new friends and spend time together learning. Our younger children had a fun day out at sundown adventure land with the children and staff from Faldingworth enjoying the storylands and rides…. They even got to see Santa. They have also participated in various sporting events together. The older children have spent a day at Faldingworth school working on a piece of writing and sharing ideas. Both school choirs are looking forward to performing together at a carol concert in Market Rasen Methodist Church on the evening of Monday 9th December. The benefits of collaboration are endless.

Thank you to the generosity of our families we have made an excellent start to fund raising this year. We kick started it off with our Harvest café. The children tempted parents and carers with their harvest delights after our Harvest Festival. All food collected was sent to Trussell Trust. We had a few scary characters for our Halloween bingo and a very large collection for Bags 2 School so many thanks to everyone. As well as fund raising for school we also like to fund raise for other causes. Friday 15th November was Children in Need and the children and parents came in and joined in with Joe Wicks workout. Tuesday 17th December is Christmas outfit day and we have chosen a local charity to support this year. The crew from Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance will be working Christmas Eve and Christmas Day making sure Santa and all his helpers are kept safe so we would like to support the work that they do. Children and staff can come to school in something festive for a donation to the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance. We look forward to seeing everyone's festive attire.

A big fun event for us is our Christmas Fair. The children are busy making things to sell and our FoNS committee are working behind the scenes getting Santa's Grotto ready and planning and setting up all the activities that will take place. This is a community event so please come along and join us in our festivities. It is on Thursday 5th December, Normanby School hall 3.30pm onwards.

It is also that time of year for parents to start applying for their child's reception school place for September 2020. We don't have any set open mornings because we are happy to show you around anytime and you can see for yourselves how our school works. If you would like to book an appointment, then please phone Jacqui Clinch on 01673 878216. We also have spaces in our busy pre school, again please feel free to come and arrange a look around.

The staff, governors and children at Normanby by Spital Primary School would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas.

You can't stay in your corner of the forest waiting for people to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes. - Winnie the Pooh



Christingle and Carol Service

St. Peter & St. Paul, Owmby

Sunday Special Children

invite you to their

Christingle and Carol Service

Sunday 22nd December at 11.00 am.

Refreshments will be available after the service.

Retiring collection proceeds to go to the Church and Children's Society.

Children please be at the church by 10.15
at the latest to make your Christingles

OWMBY & NORMANBY

Neighbourhood Plan

Public Meeting

Dear Residents of Normanby & Owmby

Just to update you all that on the 13th November members of the Normanby Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group attended Normanby Parish Council's meeting along with several members of the public to ask if Councillors would reconsider their decision to leave the joint Plan with Owmby.

Unfortunately, Normanby Parish Council will not reconsider their decision despite a petition of 144 Normanby residents requesting that they do so.

Therefore, we will be calling a public meeting in the near future to discuss ways of taking the Plan forward with the consent and advice of West Lindsey District Council and villagers' support.

PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION SOON AND COME TO THE PUBLIC MEETING WHICH WE WILL ADVERTISE AROUND OUR VILLAGES.

'The Bottle & Glass' at Normanby



Men's Breakfast

Saturday 14th December

Saturday 11th January

Both mornings at 9:00am

An opportunity for men to meet and chat over a delicious full English breakfast!

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Organised by Glentham Methodist Chapel

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	Saturday	**08:30 - 19:30**
	Sunday	**09:00 - 16:00**

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 5th December at 10:30 a.m.

Owmby Church

Coffee/sherry, mince pies & shortbread

Please note: There will be no coffee morning in January



Bring & Buy stall. Cakes. Raffle. Everyone welcome

Proceeds to Ss. Peter & Paul Church funds

LATEST WHIST DRIVE RESULTS

1st Lady	Lois Green	**2nd Lady**	Marilyn Coles
1st Gent	Richard Harrison	**2nd Gent**	Neville James
Low Score	Brian Taylor June Kettlewell	**Near Score**	Anne Turnbull Brian Taylor
Raffle	Lois Green Shirley James	**Miniature**	Shirley James Ken Green

Our next Whist Drive will be on **Wednesday 11th December** at the home of Ken and Lois Green Lindum House, Private Lane, Normanby by Spital . We start at 7:30 p.m.
The New Year Whist Drive will be held at the home of Richard Harrison Saxowm, Owmby by Spital on **Wednesday January 8th 2020** - again at 7.30p.m.
If you would like to join us, please contact 01673 878525. You would be most welcome.

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GLENTHAM & CAENBY

Glentham Village Hall

COFFEE MORNINGS

Wednesdays 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

December 4th, 11th & 18th

January 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th

All welcome

Proceeds to Village Hall Funds

KNIT & KNATTER

Christmas Lunch Tuesday 3rd December 1:00p.m.

Tuesday 21st January 2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m. (Entry fee: £1.50)

Glentham Village Hall



Come & have a cuppa & a chat while doing your needlecraft or learning new crafts.

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Christmas Rose Bowl Quiz





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As another year draws to a close and I start, as Chairman, to ponder on events held and some yet to be held in our village hall, I would like to take the opportunity to thank my fellow committee members for all their hard work. We have an eclectic mix of young, enthusiastic people who seem to have a never-ending supply of ideas and energy, and an older generation (me included!), who provide a dash of wisdom and experience - it works so well!

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The latest time for entries to the February 2020 Signpost
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Sugar & Spice

Saturday 18th January 2020 at 9.30am

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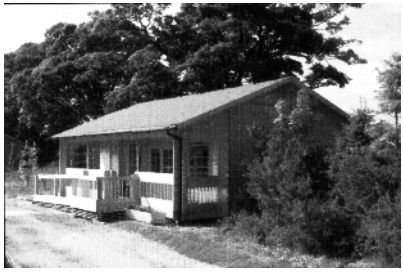
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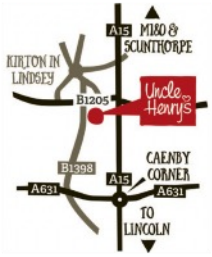
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WELTON FAMILY HEALTH CENTRE NEWS

DID NOT ATTEND (DNA) - In October, 5234 patients attended the surgery for their appointments, and 108 patients failed to attend. We would like to thank these patients for attending or those that cancelled appointments they were unable to make so that slot could be used by another patient. If you would like to be able to receive booking confirmations and text message reminders for appointments, please see Reception to sign up to this facility. Patients are able to cancel appointments on the main telephone number 01673 862232 or on the practice mobile 07930880337.

SOCIAL PRESCRIBERS - We are pleased to introduce two new social prescribers who will be working alongside the practice to provide an additional service for patients. Social prescribing is a means of enabling GP's, nurses and other primary care professionals to refer patients to a range of local, non-clinical services. Recognising that people's health is determined primarily by a range of social, economic and environmental factors, social prescribing seeks to address patient's need in a holistic way. It's also aims to support individuals to take greater control of their own health. Social prescribing schemes can involve a variety of activities which are typically provided by voluntary and community sector organisations. Examples include volunteering, arts activities, group learning, gardening, befriending, healthy eating advice, sports classes, support with form filling, bereavement support etc.
Patients will be referred into the service by clinical or self-referral. If you feel you, or someone you know would benefit from this kind of support, please see reception for a form.

CLINICAL PHARMACISTS - Some of you may have seen the Clinical Pharmacists we have working with us at the moment. We have two Clinical Pharmacists coming into the Practice on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Clinical Pharmacists are able to see patients for medication reviews and queries, offering longer appointments and increasing capacity for the GP's to see patients for more complex conditions. We often have appointment available within a week to see the Clinical Pharmacist. Please ask reception for more details.

FLU VACCINATIONS - We are continuing to give 'flu vaccinations in normal booked appointments. If you are eligible and have not yet had your 'flu vaccination please contact reception to book an appointment. Flu vaccinations are offered, free of charge, to patients that are at risk. If those at risk catch 'flu they are more likely to get a bad case or serious complication such as a chest infection. The virus can weaken the respiratory system, which the heart relies on. The best way of treating flu is to be vaccinated against it in the first place. At the time of writing we are planning our first ever 'Teddy Bears' Picnic 'flu clinic' for children aged 2,3 and 4 (not yet at school). Children will be invited to bring their teddies to the clinics, enjoy some treats and have their nasal 'flu vaccine at the same time. We are hoping this will be a success with patients and something we can continue in years to come.

STAFF TRAINING - The surgery will be closed for staff training from **1pm on Tuesday 17th December 2019 until 8am on Wednesday 18th December 2019**. Please could we ask that you order any medication with as much notice as possible to enable us to meet the tight deadlines that we face. A minimum of two working days' notice is required please. For those that don't already use the service, we have facilities to order your medication online at any time, please see Dispensary for more details.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES - The Practice will be open at the following times over the Christmas and New Year period:

Monday 23.12.2019	Open as normal	Monday 30.12.2019	Open as normal
Tuesday 24.12.2019	Open as normal	Tuesday 31.12.2019	Open as normal
Wednesday 25.12.2019	Closed	Wednesday 01.01.2020	Closed
Thursday 26.12.2019	Closed	Thursday 02.01.2020	Open as normal
Friday 27.12.2019	Open as normal	Friday 03.01.2020	Open as normal

Please note that there will be availability for extended access pre-booked appointments at one of the IMP Federation practices for every day throughout the Christmas period (including Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day). Welton Family Health Centre has extended access appointments available until 8pm on New Year's Eve . All other dates will be covered by other practices in the area, should you be willing to travel. Please speak to reception to book any of these.

We would like to wish all our patients, staff and colleagues a very Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year

Nadina Prestedge - Practice Manager

WELTON PATIENT AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

The PDA Christmas Lunch is being held on Friday 6th December in Welton Village Hall.

PLEASE TRY TO ARRIVE TO BE SEATED BY 11.30AM AT THE LATEST. We will be opening the doors at 11am to allow you time to buy raffle tickets and cakes and to browse the books and cards on sale. The entertainment will start around 11.30am. There will also be a small, approx. 3ft, decorated Christmas tree which has been donated for auction.

The Autumn Fayre, held on 26th October, can only be described as a resounding success! We raised the magnificent sum of £2718.68 for PDA funds the raffle contributing £1491 of that total. Despite the appalling weather there was a large turnout of supporters and the final figure raised was almost £500 more than last year.

There are so many people to thank for their support of this event, those who bought and sold raffle tickets, those who donated raffle prizes, the cake makers, helpers manning the stalls and those who hired a table from us to sell their own goods. If I have missed anyone I apologise and consider yourself thanked!

There is a full list of raffle prize winners on the PDA notice board in the health centre and thankyou to Dr Lumley for drawing the raffle. The rabbit was called Milly, the cake weighed 4lb 4oz, there were 166 sweets in the jar and the holdall contained a large bag of assorted flower bulbs.

The PDA AGM was held on Thursday 7th November with very few people present no doubt partially due to the flooded roads to be navigated to get to the meeting.

The meeting started with a presentation from one of our new doctors, David Watts who outlined the 9 years of training he recently completed to become a GP. The PDA officer's reports highlighted another successful year: raising over £6,000 and carrying 1868 patients a total of 26,191 miles. The funds raised are used to subsidise the transport service and provide equipment for the surgery which is for the benefit of all patients registered with the practice. Nadina Prestedge (Practice Manager) was able to announce that the practice had finally had the go ahead for the extension into the former Library building. Work is expected to start in the New Year and be completed in April 2020. The PDA accounts and minutes of the meeting will be available on the Surgery's website in due course.

As no-one had put their name forward to join the Committee all officers and Committee members were re-elected.

The final piece of PDA news is that we have been chosen as Co-op Community Champions for the period 8th March 2020 to 6th June 2020. We will be sharing the proceeds with Welton Pre School. Each time you shop at Welton Co-op, using your dividend card, during that period the Co-op will put an amount 'in the pot'. They also hold various fund raising events plus money from carrier bag sales, collection boxes and event days. If you don't have a dividend card, sign up now.

If you require any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call (862570).

Janet Goddard

INGHAM PRACTICE

Wednesday 11th December 2019 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm



The Ingham Practice Team is delighted to invite all patients to celebrate the festive season at our

CHRISTMAS PATIENT PARTICIPATION EVENING

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The Ingham Practice Team wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year.

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Tues	3	Dunholme St Chad's Church	10:30 a.m.
Fri	6	Corringham Village Hall	9:30 a.m.
Wed	11	Willoughton Village Hall	6:00 p.m.
Sat	14	Welton Methodist Church	11:00 a.m.
Wed	18	Glentham Village Hall	10:00 a.m.
Thurs	19	Welton St Mary's Church	10:30 a.m.

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We hope to work alongside the Children's Centre on a regular basis in 2020 to promote the use of both of these valuable local resources amongst young families.

Moving to a slightly older age group of 7 - 17 we are delighted to report that the 3 Coder Dojo sessions held to date have been a great success (involving computer coding if you were wondering). To quote feedback received from a couple of youngsters to the question what would you say about it to a friend; 'It was fun and you should come to it' and 'It is fun you should come and make new friends - You can make new games'. We are planning regular sessions to start in January 2020 and will announce details in this newsletter next time.

Finally a reminder that as well as our normal weekday times we are continuing to open each Saturday 10am -12noon. This brings me to our Christmas hours - the last day for borrowing and returning books will be Saturday 21st December and we will re-open on Monday 6th January 2020. Please remember that you can renew books on line in this period or return or renew at other local libraries that may be open when we are closed. You can also ring the library helpdesk on 01522 782010 if you have a query.

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What's On Guide

Day / Date		Time	Function	Venue
DECEMBER				
Tues	3	2:00 p.m.	Knit & Knatter	Glentham Village Hall
Tues	3	7:30 p.m.	Glentham & Caenby Tapestry Group	Trap House, Glentham
Wed	4	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
Wed	4	10:30 a.m.	St Hilary's Christmas Coffee Morning	Toledo, Faldingworth Road
Thurs	5	10:30 a.m.	Ss Peter & Paul Christmas Coffee Morning	Owmby Church
Fri	6	7:30 p.m.	Casino Night	Spridlington Village Hall
Wed	11	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
Wed	11	7:30 p.m.	Whist Drive	Lindum House, Normanby
Thurs	12	7:00 p.m.	Presence Prayer & Bible Study Group	Tilsit, Glentham
Thurs	12	7:30 p.m.	Owmby, Normanby & District WI	Glentham Village Hall
Sat	14	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Bottle & Glass, Normanby
Tues	17	10:30 a.m.	St Peter's Guild Christmas Coffee Morning	South View, Glentham
Wed	18	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
Thurs	19	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Rose Bowl Quiz	Glentham Village Hall
Fri	20	8:00 p.m.	Hackthorn & Cold Hanworth Xmas Draw	Hackthorn Village Hall
JANUARY				
Wed	8	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
Wed	8	7:30 p.m.	Whist Drive	Saxowm, Owmby
Thurs	9	7:00 p.m.	Presence Prayer & Bible Study Group	Tilsit, Glentham
Sat	11	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Bottle & Glass, Normanby
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Tues	21	2:00 p.m.	Knit & Knatter	Glentham Village Hall
Wed	22	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
Thurs	23	7:00 p.m.	Presence Prayer & Bible Study Group	Tilsit, Glentham
Wed	29	10:00 a.m.	Glentham Village Hall Coffee Morning	Glentham Village Hall
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