



2018

Ed's Comments

I hated Sport when I was at school! I was clumsy, had two left feet and let's face it - I was quite lazy! Now when I read in the School news about all the amazing opportunities the children at Winthorpe School have had this term I think even I would have been inspired if I had been offered those choices.

Sport features heavily in the news for most of the year but especially now with the World Cup, Rugby, Golf and Cricket holding centre stage at the moment, Wimbledon due to start on 2nd July and all the local schools holding their Summer Sports Days.

Sport, as well as encouraging people to lead a healthy lifestyle and get outdoors and exercise, seems to bring people together across all kinds of boundaries both as partakers and spectators. It isn't always trouble free and can engender great passion but it can also open up opportunities and communication among communities everywhere on a local, national and international level.

My sporting interests are still quite limited – walking, swimming and gentle bike riding but I really enjoy them and appreciate their benefits. I do know that Scrabble Club will suffer in the coming weeks as members will be unable to tear themselves away from The World Cup and Wimbledon on the TV and will discuss what is happening at great length if they do manage to drag themselves away!

Don't forget to use the sports facilities available locally – the Tennis Club, the Bowls Club, Collingham Ramblers, the Cricket Club and even the races at the Winthorpe Summer Festival on 30th June!

Annie Purday

The closing date for the August issue is **Friday 20th July.**

Deliver to Annie and Nick 18, Hargon Lane, Winthorpe
or email nickwynne@virginmedia.com

LUNCH CLUB

The **August** Lunch Club will be at 12.30 p.m. on **Monday 6th August** at the Community Centre.

The menu will be:



Cottage Pie

OR

Fish Pie



With Seasonal Vegetables

-x-



Raspberry Roulade with Ice Cream

-x- Tea or Coffee

£8 including a glass of wine

Contact Tish Applewhite (643763) if you need to reserve your place and give your choice of menu.

Thank you. Tish Applewhite

NB The July Lunch Club is on Monday July 2nd as advertised in last month's Focal Point.



Winthorpe Primary School PTA Presents



Summer



SIZZLER

Friday 29th June 6pm - 8pm
£1 entry for adults

Bounceabout will be supporting the event - £5 per child for 2 hours unlimited bounce.



BBQ and Bar
Stalls to include:

Nature safari

Pony rides

Face painting

Tablet, family days out.

Design a t-shirt

Hedley Brothers Band

Hook a duck

Spin the wheel

Water to wine



Raffle - prizes include Eurostar tickets, ice skating tickets, HD Fire





WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL 2018

SATURDAY JUNE 30th 1PM - 5PM

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Spitfire and Hurricane Fly Past at approx. 1pm

Art Exhibition - Classic Cars -- Photography Competition

Newark Scout Band - Newark Firecrackers Cheerleaders

Owlin Mad -Line Dancing and Zumba display - Giant Inflatable Slide

Live Music - Children's Races - Tug-o-War Competition

'Have-a-Go' Potter - Tombola - Stalls

Family Games - Raffle - Scarecrow Competition Results

BBQ - Cakes -Teas - Ice Cream - Bar

Monies raised will go to Home-Start, Newark.

A family support charity.

Disabled parking only at the Community Centre.

Please follow signs for alternative parking



WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL

30th June 2018

TIMETABLE (approx.)

1.00pm - Festival opens (*Spitfire and Hurricane fly-past will be 11.30-11.45am approx. not 1 pm as originally advertised, so please look out for it!*)

1.15pm - Bridge Street Stompers

1.45pm - Children's Races 1

2.00pm - Firecrackers Cheerleaders

2.15pm - Balderton Scout Band

2.30pm - Winthorpe Line Dancers

2.45pm - Children's Races 2

3.00pm - Bridge Street Stompers

3.30pm - Zumba demonstration

4.00pm - Tug of War

4.30pm - Raffle and Scarecrow results

5.00pm - Close



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WINTHORPE OUTREACH POST OFFICE

Thursdays are a busy day for me so I haven't very often been to the 'pop-up' Post Office at the Community Centre on a Thursday morning. However when I went last week I really 'discovered' it! I had a long chat with Punita Gorecha who runs Middleton Road Post Office on the corner of Lincoln Road and Middleton Road as you go into Newark. She runs six outreach Post Offices including ours in Winthorpe and was very helpful, knowledgeable and friendly. It was wonderful to go to a Post Office without a long queue but which includes all the services which are available at a normal Post Office branch.

OUR Post Office

is open from
9am – 12 noon
every Thursday
and Punita says
that it is
particularly quiet
from 9 - 10am. As
I had no idea how
many services she
actually offers she
sent me this list to
include in Focal
Point. She is very
keen for us to use
the facilities here
in Winthorpe so
that she can
continue to
provide them.
Don't forget that
as an added bonus
you can pop into
the next room for
a coffee and a chat
provided by the

WI as well! **Annie Purday**





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Another busy term is underway at Winthorpe Primary School. Everyone is pleased to be able to say that this year's tests have finished and are out of the way for another year, with the Year 1's completing their Phonics Screening Test this week. We are now able to enjoy the final term of school pressure free and whilst we still have lots of learning to do we also have more time to concentrate on some fun things that we've been looking forwards to all year.

This term all of Key Stage 2 will go on a residential trip. Last week, Class 4 thoroughly enjoyed their residential trip to North Yorkshire.

They were based at Cober Hill, near Scarborough and had a fun week doing lots of different activities including a ghost walk around Whitby, playing on the beach at Scarborough, orienteering and shelter building at Dalby Forest and even having a journey on the Hogwarts Express railway at Goathland. Later this month Class 3 will be going camping at Walesby where they will be undertaking lots of fun outdoor and teambuilding pursuits and then the Year 2's will be having a sleepover at the end of the term for



some children's first experience of having a night away from their parents.

Key Stage 2 have started rehearsing for their Summer Play which is a Robin Hood themed play this year called 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies'. Every child will have a part in the end of year production and it's a highlight for many children who get a chance to act and perform in front of a packed audience over 4 shows.

We've continued to provide lots of sporting activities for our children.

Over the past term we have had children

going Sailing at Girton, a Key Stage 1

Football tournament, a Tennis tournament, a

Kabaddi tournament, an orienteering

tournament, a tri-golf festival and a table

tennis tournament! Lots of opportunities to

try out and enjoy new sports and

experiences. I'm also pleased to be able to

tell you that our Netball team enjoyed a fantastic season, finishing in 2nd

place in the Newark Small Schools League – congratulations to all

involved.



We are holding our annual Summer Sizzler on Friday 29th June between 6:00 and 8:00pm; it would be great to see some of you there to start

Winthorpe Festival weekend in style! **Mr Rob Cook** (Headteacher)

NEWARK FOODBANK DONATIONS

The Village Hall is open whenever Max Neale's Art Classes are being held i.e. Tuesday evening 7-9, Wednesday 10-2.30, Thursday morning 10-12, Thursday afternoon 1.30-3.30, Friday morning 9.15-12.15 Friday afternoon 1.30-3.30 and the first Saturday in the month 10-12. It is also open some evenings when it is used by different clubs or classes. For full details see the Winthorpe Village website.

You can also donate items in Winthorpe Church on Sundays when there are services and on Thursdays during 'Open Church.'



FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST

June/July 2018

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS
CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU!

Urgently needed food

Food

- Jars of Pasta Sauce, Sugar, Packets of Instant Mash, Tinned/Microwavable Sponge Puddings

Non-Food Items

- Shampoo

Please do not donate FRESH food items. Also, please check that your donation is well inside its use-by-date. We cannot distribute out of date food.

Thank you for all your generous contributions!

Always needed

Food

- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Vegetables – NOT sweetcorn
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Jars of Pasta Sauce
- Chocolate – bars/sweets
- Cereal Bars
- Cereal
- Biscuits
- Long Life Juice – NOT fresh please
- Sugar
- Tinned/Packet Soup – meat
- Jam
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars: e.g. Kit Kat; Penguin; Rocky etc.
- Tinned/Packet Vegetable Soup

- Tinned Meat – hot: e.g. mince; stewing steak
- Tinned Meat – cold: e.g. Spam: ham – NOT corned beef please

Additional Items

- Deodorant
- Feminine Hygiene
- Men's Toiletries
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo
- Shower Gel
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Laundry liquid/tablets
- Dog/Cat food
- Strong Carrier bags

Items definitely **NOT** needed at present, as we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee

The Foodbank Collection Point is in the porch of Winthorpe Village Hall which is open when Max Neale's Art Classes are being held. You can also donate items in Winthorpe Church on Sundays when there are services and on Thursdays during 'Open Church.'

Please continue to support the Foodbank and help make a difference!

Submitted by Brenda Lowes

REFUGEES

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different hand
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers and scroungers
Layabouts and loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut throats and thieves
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These people are just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way

(now read from bottom to top)

Brian Bilston from "You took the last bus home"

COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR JULY 2018

Sunday July 1st Farnsfield/ Robin Hood Hill 7 miles

Sunday July 29th Woodhall Spa 7.5 miles

Wednesday July 11th Edingley 4.5 miles

NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME

If you would like to join us on any of these walks please contact NINA WARD on ninajward@live.co.uk or 01636 678419 for more information and specific walk details.

Come along and join this friendly group!

We provide an excellent variety of walks in Nottinghamshire and adjacent counties. Most Sunday walks are between 6 and 8 miles (some may have a shorter option). Wednesday walks are usually about four miles with an optional pub lunch.

Walkers should provide snacks, drinks and packed lunches if appropriate. Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary.

Nina Ward



GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

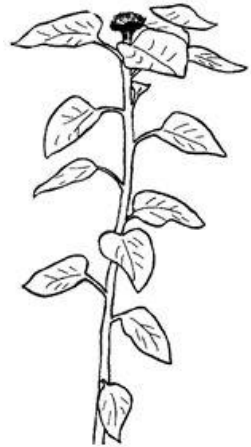
It is now around three months since our junior gardeners planted their sunflower seeds – how are your plants coming along? They should be outside now, with canes to support them as they grow. Keep an eye out for the tiny flower bud forming and growing as we head towards the summer holidays.

We are keeping our fingers crossed for some more sunny and warm weather, so make sure that you are keeping your plants well-watered. Keep thinking about the winner's trophy you could be bringing home in September!

Remember that your sunflowers will also benefit from some extra 'food' – the liquid feed you buy for tomatoes is perfect, and could help your sunflowers gain some extra centimetres as well as super-sized flower heads.

If you're lucky enough to be going away during the summer holidays, now is the time to think about friends or neighbours who can look after your plants for you. Don't forget to bring home a "thank you" present for them!

Liz & Charlie Ferreira



July Reflection 2018

Dear Friends

Here's a good piece of advice for any travellers this summer; *Stand at the crossroads and look and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it and find rest for your souls.** If we're going on a journey, it's certainly a good idea to stop and think about the



best route to take. If we don't, we could end up tired, frustrated, with a scowling face and a soul desperate for rest.

In the last month, I've been very glad of everyone who's taken time to stop and consider the best way to go, especially on the prayer and pilgrimage walks through our villages. On those walks, we often took ancient paths, footpaths which have been tried and tested and trodden for centuries and this helped us to think about more than the quickest, safest and easiest route. This gave us the time and space to consider who and what has gone before us and to contemplate what is happening now. We did this by talking and laughing with each other as we walked and enjoyed refreshment. We did this by looking at the ancient and new buildings, the growing crops, and the current industry and leisure activities. We did this by pausing to pray to God.

I have learnt a good lesson through doing this. It's not only on a country walk that I need to stop, look around me and think about which way to go. It's not only as I travel from village to village and church to church that I need to consider what has happened before and to learn ancient wisdom.

In 2018, we live in a busy, changing, surprising, and somewhat disturbing world. It will help us to keep steady and not overwhelmed if we take time, pause to consider what's happening around us, learn good lessons from the past and think about the direction of our life.

Stopping and taking time to pray to God and to wonder at the world around us will help to put life into perspective and may help us see ways to make our world better.

I hope this summer you will find rest for your bodies and souls, enjoyment and good ways.

God bless you **Revd Mandy**

* If you are interested in where the above quote came from, it's from the book of Jeremiah in the Bible, chapter six, verse sixteen.

WINTHORPE TENNIS CLUB



£40 PER FAMILY
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SERIOUS!

Interested in joining the Winthorpe Tennis Club? The club offers unlimited use of the tennis courts all year for all the family for £40. Individuals are £20, Students and Juniors £5. The club will also be offering private coaching sessions at a discounted rate and club tournaments for members only.

CONTACT;
A.LEARY@NTLWORLD.COM

*£5 Separate Key Deposit Applies

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE 100 CLUB WINNERS OF THE JUNE DRAW

1st 55 Joanne Greene £ 35.40

2nd 50 Bob Allen £ 17.70

3rd 57 Sandra Cobb £ 5.90



We now have 61 members and are still aiming to reach 100. If you haven't yet got your tickets all you need to do is sign a membership form and Standing Order mandate for £2 a month. These are available from Duncan Richardson. Please contact Duncan on 01636 651605 or email duncrichardson@sky.com.

For further details see the Community Centre web site.

JOIN OUR 100 CLUB TODAY AND YOU COULD BE A WINNER!

News from Langford Lowfields June 2018

The wild bird crop near the car park has been re-sown with a combination of seeds including linseed, millet, kale and sunflower. These are all seed-heavy plants and looking ahead to the winter, they should provide a good source of food for seed-loving species such as finches and buntings, when the cold weather sets in and food in the wider countryside is harder to come by. A new wild bird area was also cultivated and sown near the large pylon that also sits close to the car park.

We had a glossy ibis on site at the end of May. These are very nomadic birds which tend to wander a lot, particularly the juveniles. They are most often found in southern Europe, but are becoming more frequent visitors to the UK. This was



however possibly only the 4th to ever turn up at Langford. With its distinctive curlew-like bill and glossy feathers, it brought a touch of the exotic to the site for the few days it was here, feeding close to the viewing screen, looking for insects, frogs and toads in our amphibian pools. Other unusual birds to have turned up recently include an Arctic skua, a common scoter, black terns and a once common but now threatened turtle dove, that purred for a few weeks in a patch of scrub on the reserve boundary.

The north end of the reserve is currently closed as some remedial work needs to be carried out on the recently installed outfall sluice. High water levels during the winter put the structure to the test and some repairs and upgrading works need to be carried out on it. At the moment we are keeping visitors away from what is effectively a building site, but hope

to have the whole reserve open again by the end of July. Our volunteers have created a new bug hotel up by the Beach Hut. This is already luring in a good range of insects, which will make a home in the logs, leaves and sticks that are in the hotel. These are simple but effective structures to build and provide an excellent home for nature, you could even have a go at building a smaller version in your back garden. Sticking with insects, lots of butterflies are on the wing at Langford now. Pick a sunny day and amongst the wildflowers and alongside the public footpath you should see a good range of species, including, if you're lucky, a painted lady, a long-distance migrant that makes its way to the UK every summer.

We have some bird boxes available – a suggested donation of £10.00 per box – made by one of our long term Langford volunteers, John. Call the office on 01636 893611 if you are interested.

Forthcoming Events!

We are running our second event at Langford in July. This is a Butterflies & Wildflowers Guided Walk on Saturday 7 July 2018 10am-1pm. Our Site Manager, Joe, will be joined by an RSPB enthusiast in this subject and together they will lead you on a walk around the reserve identifying species.



Painted Lady

This event can be booked (and payment made) via [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk). You should search for the name of the event in the UK. The prices are listed on the site. If you are unable to use Eventbrite, please contact 01636 893611 to reserve your space and pay on the day.

There are visitor welcome volunteer roles still available – you don't have to be a bird expert to help out on the reserve, just be interested in the site and have a few hours to spare during the week or on a weekend. Get in touch if you feel you would like to discuss this further – 01636 893611.

Angela Roberts

St Michael the Archangel, Laxton

Open Churches Weekend,

7th & 8th July

Wedding Fair Saturday 7th

10.30am - 5.30pm

*Displays of wedding dresses, flowers, cakes,
photos and music playing.*

Tea, coffee and cakes being served all day

'Songs of Praise' with Joan Wood - Sunday 8th 10.30am

*Favourite wedding hymns and readings after which the
church will remain open until 5.30pm.*

*Tea and cakes will be served after the service and
throughout the day.*

*We invite all couples who are thinking of getting married
in church; who have recently got married or who have been
married to come along and join us in this weekend to
celebrate marriage. Joy Allison*



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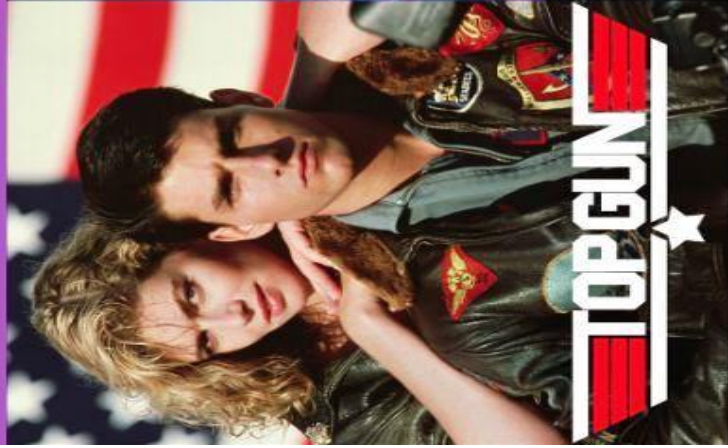
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Friday 17th August 2018



Friday 31st August 2018



ALL SAINTS

WINTHORPE

CHURCH NOTICES

As I write these notes for July's Focal Point I am very much reminded of how important it is even in our technological world today to physically "look out for" our neighbours as much as we can. In June, two members of our congregation were in situations where if that had not happened they just might not be with us today! A frightening thought but true. Sylvia Lloyd and Norma Breed are both recovering now, thankfully and we wish them well for as speedy a return to better health as possible. With, also, a big thank you to those vigilant people who reacted so quickly when confronted with the emergency situation.

Last month we enjoyed our 130th birthday celebrations of the present church building with a Communion service taken by Bishop Tony – a lovely evening interspersed with music duets and choir singing plus the obligatory wine, nibbles and birthday cake afterwards!

Right at the end of the month was the Village Festival. Although, you will probably read this issue before it actually happens! If that is the case do pop along to our Tombola stall to off load a bit of cash in the hope of winning a "big" prize!

We look forward to having not one but two baptisms this month! One of them falls on the same day as our Open Churches weekend for the East Trent Group. All the 11 churches will be open at some stage over the two days the weekend of 7th/8th July. At All Saints we will be open for visitors from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Saturday and from 12 noon (following the Communion/Baptism at 10.30) until 4 p.m. on the Sunday. There will be a quiz and information about our 130 years in the present building. Do pop along if you have a moment – refreshments as always will be available.

We pray for everyone who is unwell or in hospital at this time.

Tish Applewhite (Churchwarden) 643763

Church Services for July



Sunday 1st

(5th after Trinity)

9.00 a.m.
5.00 p.m.

Holy Communion
Choral Evensong

Holme
Holme

Sunday 8th

(6th after Trinity)

10.30 a.m.

Holy Communion
with Holy Baptism

Winthorpe

Sunday 15th

(7th after Trinity)

9.00 a.m.
10.15 a.m.

Holy Communion
Morning Worship

Langford
Winthorpe

Sunday 22nd

(Mary Magdalene)

6.00 p.m.

Evening Prayer

Winthorpe

Sunday July 29th

(9th after Trinity)

2.30 p.m.

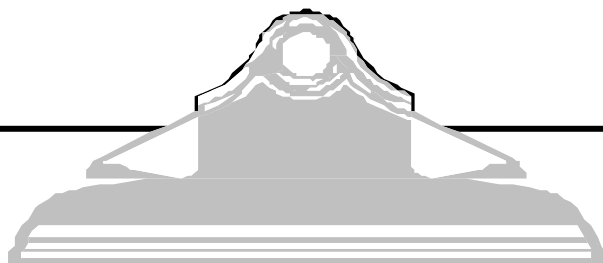
Holy Baptism

Winthorpe

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services. The bells may be rung on Friday evenings between 7.00 and 9.00 p.m. for practice. If you are able to ring or would like to learn how to ring please get in touch with the Tower Captain, Ian Hasman, on 01636 679105 or e-mail him at I.hasman@ntlworld.com

Church Cleaners - Miss T. Applewhite





JULY CALENDAR



Friday 29th June Winthorpe School Summer Sizzler 6-8 pm

SATURDAY 30TH JUNE WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL

Monday 2nd	Green and Brown bins Lunch Club 12.30 Community Centre Mobile Library
Saturday 7th	Walk at Langford Lowfields
Sat 7th/Sun 8th	East Trent Group Open Churches
Monday 9th	Silver Bin
Thursday 12th	WI Village Hall 7.30 pm
Monday 16th	Green and Brown Bins
Thursday 19th	Parish Council and Finance Committee 7.00 pm Village Hall
Monday 23rd	Silver Bin
Monday 30th	Green and Brown Bins Mobile Library*

*No Mobile Library in August

NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

'Village organisations and local bodies – if at any time you would like to get in touch with a village contact, why not try the village website.' www.winthorpe.org.uk

