

October-November 2016
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Kilsby Kronickle

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Dates for your Diary

Saturday 1st October

St. Faith's Children's Event

Tuesday 4 October

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 6th October

Walking Group walk

Thursday 13th October

WI AGM

Sunday 16th October

Walking Group walk

Tuesday 18th October

Messy Church

Thursday 20th October

History Society meeting

Friday 28th October

St. Faith's SC Bridge Drive

Monday 31st October

Drawing competition closing date

Tuesday 1st November

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Thursday 3rd November

Walking Group walk

Saturday 5th November

Rag-Bag Collection

Saturday 12th November

Bell-ringing at Kilsby

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Messy Church

Thursday 17th November

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Saturday 19th November

St. Faith's SC Quiz

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Walking Group walk

Thursday 24th November

Garden Association AGM

Saturday 26th November

Murder Mystery Evening

Saturday 3rd December

Christmas Tree event

Tuesday 6th December

Salvation Army Carol Concert

St. Faith's SC Coffee Morning



This edition starts to look forward to Christmas with details of the Christmas Tree event and of the drawing competition which has proved so successful in previous years. We hope lots of children will enter this year.

There is a strong focus on children with details of Messy Church and St. Faith's Children's Events, as well as reports from the Pre-school and Primary School and, of course, the usual Kids' Korner. For adults there are opportunities to help at the Pre-school, to use your skills to manage the Playground Project at the Primary School, or to help with the Youth Club. You are also invited to help with the Poppy Collection, take up table tennis or bell-ringing, or to join an art class.

The Kilsby Amateur Theatrical Society returns to the stage at the Village Hall in November with another of their very popular Murder Mystery Evenings, and there are also details of a quiz and bridge drive organised by the St. Faith's Social Committee, as well as of meetings of a variety of groups in the village and the possibility of getting involved in historical research with the History Society.

Gren Hatton's article this time reports on the Community Archaeology Day held at Daventry in July and gives a very interesting picture of the history of our area.

It is concerning to note (page 7) that there are proposals to close the Day Centre at Stephenson Court - a service which is very important to old people living in the village and surrounding area. We hope that lots of people will write to object to this proposal and that the authorities reconsider their decision to get rid of such a valuable facility.

The Parish Council is looking for someone to take on the role of Highways Warden to identify to Northamptonshire Highways problems with our roads which need their attention. If you enjoy walking round the village and care about the poor current state of our roads you would be doing the whole community a big service by volunteering.

Now that autumn has arrived we want to say a big 'thank you' to all those whose hard work has made the village so attractive with flowers and other plants over the summer. Your efforts have been really appreciated. The geraniums at the Village Hall have looked lovely too and we want to thank Marj Mills and the rest of the Management Committee of the Hall for planting them and for all they do to keep the Hall in such good condition for us all to use.

Finally, please support the Pre-school's Rag-Bag collection on 5th November.

KILSBY PARISH COUNCIL

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KILSBY PARISH COUNCIL

(From Councillor Bob Gent, Tel: 823528 and the Parish Clerk parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk
Tel: 891184)

Parish Council meetings

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th October at 7.30pm in The Kilsby Room, Kilsby Village Hall. Members of the Parish are welcome to attend, and the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be open for public participation, so if you have a concern which you would like to make the Parish Council aware of, then come along and let them know about it. It may not be possible to provide an answer immediately, but the matter can be put on the agenda for the following month's meeting. (The meeting in November will be held on 1st November, when the Council will be agreeing the detail of the budget for the year commencing 1 April 2017.)

The Parish Council has been having some issues with its website, so is looking at various alternatives.

Street Lighting

A complete upgrade of all the village street-lighting is almost complete with only 8 more lamps to do. LED lamps provide much more directional lighting and are cheaper to run and maintain, which should be of benefit to the village in the future. Please let the Clerk or Councillor Richard Page know if any are not working properly.

This upgrade has been funded from the remainder of the grant money made available from the developers of DIRFT 2.

If you have a tree or bush in your garden that is growing over a street light, please can you cut it back. Thanks.

Youth Club

The Youth club is being well attended but Claire needs extra adult help to ensure that the sessions can run. Are you able to spare a couple of hours on a Friday night to help? If so, please contact Claire Griffin the youth leader on 07724 892528 or Councillors Liz Rochford or Sarah Stainton.

Dog Fouling and Rubbish

One of the things that most people dislike most about their village is if there is litter or dog fouling in the area. The District Council is now able to issue fixed penalty notices for fly-tipping of £400 so if you see someone dumping their rubbish, please take their details and make the District Council aware (01327 871100).

Please continue to clean up after your dogs. Any fouled areas will be sprayed with fluorescent paint to ensure that it is obvious where the problem areas are.

Policing

Northamptonshire Police have launched a campaign to raise awareness about domestic abuse and encourage those affected by it to seek help. Domestic abuse isn't just physical violence – it also includes bullying and threatening behaviour, criticism, humiliation and being overly controlling – and nearly a quarter of all victims are men.

If you are a victim, or know someone who is, help is out there. Call Northamptonshire Police (101) You can also call the national 24 hours Domestic Abuse Helpline on 0808 2000 247.

Trees and Footpaths

The County Council has removed the dead trees on the footpath along the side of The George car park. The tree nearest the church in Church Walk has died, and will be replaced once the Landscape Planning Officer has reviewed it, and advised what can be planted in its place.

Please trim back any bushes or trees that overhang pavements so that people do not get wet walking past them.

The Parish Council is aware that the footpath leading across the fields from Arnills Way is overgrown. The farmer has been asked to cut the long grass.

Is there anyone in the village who walks around the village regularly who is prepared to act as Highway Warden and report potholes and other highway issues to Northamptonshire Highways so that they can come out and repair the problem. If this is something you would be prepared to do, please let the Clerk know on 891184.

Defibrillator

The defibrillator will be installed in the phone box on Main Road shortly. Thank you very much to Ian Lee who has repainted the phone box. The Parish Council will also install some shelving so that the phone box can be used as a book exchange.

Kilsby History Society

(From Gill Mason, Tel: 822658)

At our recent AGM we discussed the possibility of doing some research. Several people expressed interest and the Kilsby Room has been booked for Thursday 20th October from 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm. I expect this initial meeting will be concerned with suggestions for topics etc.

Our next usual meeting is at 7.30 pm on Thursday 17th November, in the Kilsby Room. The speaker is Alan Atkinson, a member of Barby History Group and also an amateur film maker. He will be showing films with a local interest.

Members £2.00.

Non-members £3.00.

All welcome.

FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CATHERINE LOMAX

(Tel: 890939, 24 Castle Mound, Barby, CV23 8TN, clomax@daventrydc.gov.uk)

Well, what a wonderful late summer we have had. I hope you have all enjoyed it.

Planning matters

Many congratulations to all involved in producing the Neighbourhood Plan, which, as you all know, is now "made", and will be a material consideration when any planning application in Kilsby is considered. We will have to make sure that it is fully taken into account by individual householder applicants, developers and planners alike.

As part of the work to produce Part 2 of the Local Plan, DDC will vote at the next full Council meeting on a proposal to spend up to £45,000 to fund a study of landscape character and quality in the district. There are already policies designating Special Landscape Areas, covering almost half the District, and Rural Access Area and Green Wedge, which apply to land adjacent to Daventry and Northampton. This new work is to provide robust and up-to-date evidence for policies on landscape protection and enhancement.

A Lottery for Daventry District?

Councillors have given the go-ahead for assessment and consultation on the merits (or otherwise) of setting up an on-line community lottery for Daventry District. The idea would be to use the funds generated for community grants. The findings will be reported to DDC's Strategy Group in January next year.

KILSBY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

(From Nancy Golding, Tel: 822611)

We had an amusing and interesting talk called 'Mind Your Language' in August by Shirley Allen. She had always been interested in language and brought lots of books with her as well as entertaining us with how sometimes words can take on very different meanings when 'lost in translation'!

Some of our members enjoyed a summer evening walk around Thurlaston at the beginning of August and finished the evening at the Green Man in Dunchurch.

'Death Row' was the title of our talk in September which made us feel a little uneasy. However, our speaker, Anne Stevens was a lovely down-to-earth person who had felt inspired to befriend people on Death Row in America.

In 2001 she had seen a TV programme called '14 Days in May' which was about the last days of a young man who was about to be executed. She

A5

Highways England, which is responsible for the A5, is currently working on a strategy for the A5, including a section on air quality. At the moment, on our section of the A5 in the vicinity of DIRFT, air quality, which is continually monitored by DDC, is generally below the World Health Organisation's 'danger' threshold, but occasionally it does go above that point. While it must always be much worse in big cities, I believe we should keep an eye on those levels. Manufacturers are working all the time to reduce emissions from cars and HGVs, but with DIRFT 3 and the Rugby mast site now being developed, it seems likely that we may see deterioration in air quality locally.

Highways England's strategy will not be produced for two years. We already know that, while there will be some improvements at the Lilbourne crossroads, only roundabouts are planned for vehicles entering the A5 from the mast site and DIRFT 3, which is totally inadequate for the volume of traffic which will be generated. Highways England and the Highways Authorities have no intention currently of making any changes on what is already a dangerous stretch of road, although there is plenty of room, for instance, to dual the road, as is happening at Magna Park. I shall continue with local colleagues to lobby about this, whenever the opportunity arises.

Catherine Lomax

felt moved to befriend these people and so she became a penfriend to one of them and eventually went to visit him. She found her first visit to the prison stark and unwelcoming by the people who received her. Many of the prisoners have been abandoned by their families and have no visitors. However, she now corresponds with several of the men on death row. They call her 'Sister Anne' and she tries to visit as often as she can, and has even seen two executions. She feels that everyone should have someone to talk to and she has certainly given so much time and effort to these desolate people by writing to them regularly - a truly inspiring and excellent speaker.

Our Skittles Team has been practising and looks forward to the next round of competition, now that autumn is near.

Our AGM is on 13th October followed by cheese and wine and then on 10th November we have a demonstration of gift wrapping.

Guests and new members are always welcome.

ST. FAITH'S SOCIAL COMMITTEE

(From Kathy Jenkins, Tel: 822464)

Our Coffee Morning in St Faith's Church on 19th July was very well attended and everyone seemed to enjoy the venue. It was a very hot day and everyone was pleased to be in the lovely cool church. 36 people attended and we made £158 for church funds. Thank you very much .

Summer Lunch

Our Summer Lunch, held in the Village Hall on 13th August was a really happy occasion. We had lovely food and plenty of wine and we made £354.50 for church funds.

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Social Committee, Janet Chappell and Church wardens Gill Mason and Nancy Golding. Let's hope we have another lovely lunch next summer.

Bridge Drive

There will be a Bridge Drive in the Village Hall on Friday 28th October starting at 10.00 am. Coffee and biscuits will be served at 10.45 am and lunch will be 12.30 pm.

Quiz

Another of our popular quizzes will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday 19th November, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. We always have a hot supper with a lovely pudding. Teams of four or six would be good, but don't stay away if there are only two of you. I'm sure we can match people together.

Tickets £8 available from Mrs Margaret Dean or any other committee member. Please buy your tickets early to help with the catering.

Please bring your own favourite drinks and glasses and come and have a great evening.

A date for your Diary.

We shall have our Christmas Coffee Morning in the Kilsby Room at the Village Hall on Tuesday 6th December, 10.30 am till 12.00 noon. There will be a tombola and a raffle, plus great tasty food. So come and have your first mince pies with us.

KILSBY CHURCH 100 CLUB

A new year has begun in the 100 Club. Have you rejoined? Would you like to join?

The cost is £5.00 per month and the draw takes place on the last Thursday of the month, in the chapel café. You can join by contacting the following people:

Gill Mason - 822658
Nancy Golding - 822611
Pam Preston - 823184

Children's Events at St. Faith's

(From Marion Davis, Tel: 822188, and Fiona Gibbs, Tel: 823530)

1st October event

Our next Children's event is to be held in St Faith's Church on Saturday 1st October from 10.00 am until 11.30 am. For Primary School children and their parents if they care to stay. Also for Pre-schoolers but they must have a minder please!

Christmas Children's event.

Join us in St Faith's Church on Saturday 10th December from 10.00 am to 11.30 am for a Christmas Special. Please put the date in your diary and we will put more information on posters nearer the time. We look forward to seeing you all there.



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November 6th 2016

December 4th 2016

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November 4th 2016

December 2nd 2016

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SUNDAY QUIZ

EVERY SUNDAY

Sunday evenings 8:15pm

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A Murder Mystery

On Saturday, 26 November 2016

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**Remember it is 1929 and there is an
Egyptian element to the occasion so the
option for 'dressing up', if you should
wish to do so, is there!!**

We hope you will.

**Tickets may be pre-ordered by calling
our usual Box Office number
01788 822764**

WALKING GROUP

(From Lesley Loader, Tel: 822246)

Dates for Sunday walks of about 8 miles with a stop for lunch are 16th October and 20th November. We leave from The White House at 10.00 am.

You may also be interested in the walk on the first Thursday of the month (6th October and 3rd November). These walks are of a similar length, but we leave The White House earlier at 9.30 am.

Do get in touch for more details at
ljloader@btinternet.com or on the number above.

From Crick Post Office and Stores

Dear Kilsby residents,

We would just like to convey our thanks and appreciation for all of your newspaper orders placed with Crick Post Office following the closure of Kilsby Post Office and Village Shop.

A special mention and thanks should go to Anne Donovan, Christine Clay and Lilian Francis who approached us in the first instance and worked tirelessly to coordinate all of the orders and delivery requests.

We would particularly like to thank our three regular paper deliverers and the relief, without whom this service would not be possible;

- Toby Shackleton
- Ellie Dent
- Max Adams
- Ethan Seal.

If anyone else is interested in becoming a relief or regular paper boy/girl please contact us at Crick Post Office, Tel : 01788 822201.

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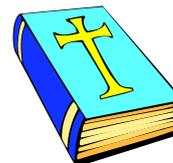
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KILSBY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER NEWS

FOR KILSBY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday Services (at 11.00 am)

October	
2 nd	Rev'd Elizabeth Kemp (HC)
9 th	Mr Mike Hoye
16 th	Mr Clive Leakey
23 rd	Mrs Wendy Pitman
30 th	JOINT SERVICE AT CRICK
November	
6 th	Rev'd Elizabeth Kemp
13 th	Rev'd Tony Newnham (HC)
20 th	Mr Cecil Gill
27 th	Mrs Dorn Margetts

Café

The café re-opened at the beginning of September from 9.00 am until 12.00 noon on Mondays and Thursdays.

STEPHENSON COURT, KILSBY DAY CENTRE CLOSURE

Are you aware that Northampton County Council wish to close the Day Centre held at Stephenson Court in order to save costs? This Day Centre caters for people from Kilsby, Barby, Daventry and many of the surrounding villages.

The closure of the Day Centre is a matter of deep concern as it is a vital service to the vulnerable people who use it, which also brings respite to their carers. Some of the residents at Stephenson Court also join in the Day Centre activities and friendships have been made.

Our churches in Kilsby and Barby have held a monthly service at Stephenson Court for very many years. We have got to know the Day Centre people and we understand how much it means to them to come out to Stephenson Court to meet friends and enjoy a meal. If there is no Day Centre they will become isolated and there will be no relief for their carers.

The lack of this service in our community is of great concern and we intend to make our objections known to the County Council. We shall be grateful for your support if you can also please write or contact the County Council to object to the closure of the Day Centre in Kilsby.

For further information please contact - Nancy Golding, Kilsby. tel. 822611, Brenda Cuthbert, Barby tel. 890990, Ros Atchison, Barby, tel.890777.

Tuesday Guild

(at 2.15 pm unless stated otherwise*)**

October	
11 th	Rev'd Jane Gaffney - A trip to Ghana
25 th	Chris Lomas - A holiday in Croatia
November	
1 st	Mr John Perkins - The Titanic
15 th	Memories
29 th	Out to Lunch ***

Advance Notice: Annual Carol Concert

Our carol concert with the Salvation Army will take place on Tuesday 6th December at 7.15 pm.

Kilsby Pre-School



Kilsby Pre-School is a warm and welcoming purpose-built pre-school, operating in the grounds of Kilsby C of E Primary school. We offer a high standard of care and education for children aged between 2 and 5 years from Kilsby village and its surrounding communities. Pre-school is open Monday to Friday from 9.00 am until 3.00 pm during school term time.

We are currently looking to recruit the following:

PART-TIME PRE-SCHOOL ASSISTANT (MATERNITY COVER)

We are looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic person to join our friendly team for a minimum of three mornings a week, term time only. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of a Level 2 qualification in child care and have a good knowledge of the early years' foundation stage. A flexible attitude and experience of working in an early years setting is essential.

This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check (updated annually), suitable references and a probationary period.

For further details or to apply for this role please contact Sarah Stainton at kilsbypreschoolcommittee@gmail.com or telephone 07590 460913 in the first instance.

Kilsby Preschool, Manor Road, Kilsby, Rugby, Warwickshire CV23 8XS.
Tel: 01788 824091, www.kilsbypreschool.co.uk
Registered Charity Number 1031349.

VOLUNTEER - PROJECT MANAGER
for our
KILSBY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Do you have any spare time? Would you like to help the children of your village school?

Do you have project management skills, fundraising skills, bid writing skills or would you be prepared to have a go?

We desperately want to brighten up our playground and make it an exciting place for the children to play. In order to do so we need to raise funds, manage contractors coming to site to give quotes, fill in funding bids and if successful manage the project.

Do you have the skills to be able to help?

The biggest funding bid needs to be completed and submitted by December - can you help? We would really appreciate it if you could.

Please contact Dawn Lee on 01788 822711 or email bursar@kilsby-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk or drop into the office to speak with Dawn.



Playtime

Kilsby Village Hall 9.45 – 11.45am every Monday
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Everyone welcome to join in the fun!

For further information, please don't hesitate to call:

Sarah Stainton 07590 460923

Tracey Fisher 07739 030989

Kilsby Village Hall is situated on Rugby Road where it joins the A5, there is plenty of parking available

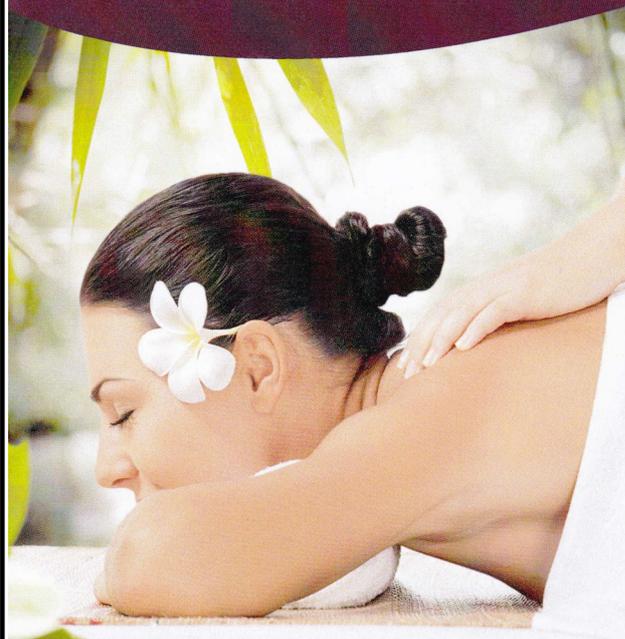


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NEWS FROM KILSBY PRE-SCHOOL

(Tel: 824091

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After a lovely leaver's party and fond farewell to all our children leaving to go to 'big' school, we are now welcoming back lots of new and familiar faces to an exciting new autumn term at pre-school. There were a few surprises in store for the children on their first day as we have created a new larger sandpit and 'builders' yard and the rear outdoor play area has been transformed into a fabulous driving circuit. It has been wonderful to see these popular new additions sparking the children's imaginations as they become budding builders, drivers, mechanics and treasure hunters! A huge thank you to Costain and all our other volunteers who gave up their time during the summer to create these wonderful play areas for the children.

This term the children will be planting new bulbs for spring and our activities will be centred around the theme of the Rio Olympics as we practise running and jumping like Olympians and learning all about the countries taking part. We will be learning new letters each week using actions and music to help us remember the sounds of the letters in a fun way. In our phonics sessions we will also be using ribbons with the children to draw the letters in the sky and learn how to form them correctly as well as encouraging them to have a go at writing the letters themselves to help reinforce their learning.

Our mini triathlon on 18th June saw fifteen of our mini triathletes running, cycling and hunting for treasure on a beautiful sunny morning, raising an amazing £350 towards pre-school funds. Well done to all who took part and thank you to all our volunteers who helped to run the event. The sun also came out for our summer barbecue on July 16th! Thank you to all who came along to join us, it was such a lovely afternoon and we must thank the KSA, preschool staff, committee and their families for providing so much delicious food for everyone to enjoy. Thank you also to Becky from *Far Out Faces* for providing face painting for the children and donating all profits to pre-school. The barbecue raised £167 for preschool so well done everyone!

Thank you to all who came our summer ball on 25th June. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year and one we always look forward to and this year's was of course another fabulous night of fundraising. With the ticket sales and auction combined we raised an amazing £833 for pre-school so well done to all involved!

We would also like to give a huge thank you to all those in the village who contributed to our clothing collection on 11th June. We raised a total of £152

for pre-school and are running another collection on Saturday 5th November. So if you are thinking of having a wardrobe clear out before Christmas, we would be very grateful for any donations! If you would like to help us and donate your unwanted clothing, just place your items in a securely tied plastic bag and leave them in full view of the road on the morning of the 5th. We can accept wearable clothing, paired shoes, handbags and belts. The clothing will be sent to help some of the poorest developing nations in the world and the pre-school will be paid for every kg we recycle. All our fundraising will be going towards continuing to improve our outdoor area and we are hoping to raise enough to be able to build a summer house and covered seating area to provide an all-weather outdoor learning area for the children.

We are holding a parents' evening followed by our AGM at 8.00 pm on 28th September in the Pre-School Building where parents and the wider community are invited to come and learn more about the pre-school and there will also be the election of our new committee. Residents of Kilsby Village are welcome to come and get involved so please do come and join us if you are able to.

Places at pre-school are filling up already! We are already full on a Thursday but there are still places available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays so if you are interested in placing your child with us in the near future please e-mail us at kilsbypreschool@hotmail.co.uk or contact us on the number at the head of this article.

1st Kilsby Guides

(From Sue Curtis, Tel: 07764 335830)



After the summer break, we started back in style with a "Wet and Wild" night with the girls competing in different water based games. The basic idea was for everyone, including leaders, to get as wet as possible and as it was one of the warmest nights of the year, no one really minded!

Our activities this term will include a Guide Dog night, learning more about how they train dogs to help blind and partially sighted people; jewellery making; party planning and drama badges, and making jam and scones.

Unfortunately as the post office has closed, it looks as if we won't be able to do the Christmas post this year unless we can find another venue for people to buy stamps and post their cards.

We meet every Wednesday either at Kilsby school or different venues depending on the activities, between 7.15 pm and 8.30 pm. It is open to all girls aged 10-14, you don't have to live in the village to be eligible. If you know someone who wants to join, or if you want to help out, please give me a call.

Gardeners' Corner

September is the new August!

Well, it was this year. We had rampant courgettes and even a decent crop of outdoor tomatoes. I wonder if October will be the new September though...

Pot up your spring bulbs

Make sure your pots have good drainage with crocks and a layer of sharp sand. The bulbs need a dose of cold weather to start into growth properly, so leave them outside for the winter, standing on a hard base, not on the soil.

Take cuttings of anything

In October there is still time to take cuttings of hardy shrubs. This will also work for rambler roses, gooseberries and currants. It is a good idea to take lots of cuttings as they won't all survive! Take a 6 inch to 1ft piece of a mature shoot of this year's growth. Cut the base at a leaf junction. Take the leaves off the bottom half and stick it in the ground. Then forget about them until the spring.

Give your garden a winter feed

For a good start next spring, give your fruit bushes, trees and flower borders a good dressing of bonemeal in early November. This slow acting fertiliser that will help the root growth that continues through the winter.

Jobs to do in October

Sow sweet peas
Divide herbaceous perennials.
Finally tidy up the borders.

Jobs to do in November

Plant new shrubs and trees
Start winter pruning of roses at the end of the month
Spread your compost, but get the worms to dig it in
Start studying your seed catalogues!

Times past...

In National Gardens and Allotments Society "Pocket Companion and Diary", 1964, for October:-

"The watchword this month must be clean cultivation. The bonfire is a sheer waste of good materials, everything that will burn is potential humus and if a compost heap is properly managed it generates as much heat as is needed to destroy most diseases. This is the month of Spiders' webs, travelling webs, which are strung from plant to plant or float like parachutes in the air, are prominent in moist weather."

Good Gardening!

Ron Kibble

POPPY APPEAL



The collection dates this year will be from 29th October to 12th November.

If you are able to help with collecting for this year's Poppy Appeal, please contact Tony Golding on 822611.

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Kilsby Christmas Tree Committee



Kilsby Christmas Tree Committee
(from Sharon King, Tel: 823264)

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The switching on of the **Kilsby Christmas Tree** lights will take place on **Saturday 3rd December 2016** on the green at the top of Barby Road, Kilsby. We will be meeting outside the old Kilsby Post Office and Stores (11 Independent Street) at **4.45pm** to meet Father Christmas and will then follow his sleigh to the village green.

Mince pies and mulled wine will be for sale and there will be entertainment for the children. All funds raised will be to cover the costs of the event.

The lights will be switched on at **5.00 pm** by Father Christmas.

The committee will be holding a drawing competition which is open to all children under 16. The picture should be of a Christmas tree and the winner will help Father Christmas switch on the Christmas tree lights. The winning entry will also be used on the advertising posters for the event. All entries should be on a A4 sheet of paper and should be sent to Sharon King at 16 Hall Close, Kilsby, by **31st October** and should include name, address and phone number.

If you would like any further information please contact Sharon King on 07508 228736.

PRODUCE SHOW

A big thank you to everyone who bought refreshments at the produce show at the beginning of September. We raised £86. This will be used to fund this year's Christmas Tree Light Switch-On event.

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Crick Medical Practice

(From Eddie Taken, Tel: 822068)

Quality Care Commission (CQC) Inspection

The surgery was inspected in April and the report has now come back. The practice has been rated good in all categories, which include 'Safety', 'Caring', 'Responsive' and 'Well Led'.

Congratulations to everyone involved.

The full report can be seen at <http://www.cqc.org.uk> the CQC website.

Influenza Injections

It is that time of year again, and in October the practice will be offering flu vaccinations to all patients aged 65 or over (including those who will reach the age of 65 by 31st March 2017), and to those who fall into one or more of the following categories: those suffering from chronic respiratory disease, asthma, chronic heart disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, chronic liver disease, or chronic neurological disease; carers; those with low immunity; and pregnant women.

There will be Saturday Flu Clinics on 1st October and 5th November. Other appointments will be available and there will be a session at Stephenson's Court on the 19th October. Letters are being sent to all those in the above groups and you can book by calling reception on 01788 822203.

Staff Training

The surgery will continue to close one Wednesday afternoon every month between 1.00 pm and 6.30 pm for staff training. Dates for the rest of the year are 12th October, 9th November and 7th December.

Patients Participation Group

The Group's function is not primarily fund raising but it does raise some funds through raffles etc. which goes to buy equipment not covered by other funding. The Group has just purchased a portable inspection lamp and rechargeable cautery equipment used in minor surgery. Thanks to all who supported the raffles to achieve this.

MESSY CHURCH

(From Nancy Golding, Tel: 822611)

**Tuesdays, 18th October and 15th November
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Saturday 5th November 2016

Please put your donated items in a securely tied plastic bag and leave outside in all weather in full view of the road before 9:00 a.m.

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Bags can also be brought to Kilsby Pre-School,
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News from Kilsby School

(From Karen Burton, mrs.burton@kilsbyprimary.net)

Our 16 new Reception children have settled into school life very well! They have been coming into school for mornings only to start with, but from Monday 26th September they will be coming to school for a full day.

The children have elected their new House Captains for the year who are:

Fleur Thompson Captain of Stephenson
Peter Creasey Vice Captain of Stephenson

Kyle Hughes Captain of Brunel
Mikey McCarthy Vice Captain of Brunel

Lara Gordon Captain of Telford
Katie Rose Vice Captain of Telford

The children in Years 5 & 6 are in the process of doing a 4 day Bikeability course in which they learn all about the important checks that need to be made on your bicycle before it is safe to take it on the roads, and also they will be out on the roads in Kilsby learning how to ride their bikes with skill, confidence and care.

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KILSBY TABLE TENNIS CLUB

(From Keren Wood, Tel: 822456)

There has been good attendance at Kilsby Table Tennis Club, some staying for the full two hours, others playing a few games and leaving, but all enjoying the experience.

There are three tables and doubles and singles were played as tables became vacant. There is a wide range of abilities but some long and energetic rallies were observed and the standard of play could be seen to improve with each game.

Apparently, the average age for the most frequent gym users in the UK is now 67, a survey by the Nuffield Health chain reports. As you get older, exercise is one of the key ways to keep ill-health at bay. Table tennis has been scientifically proven to aid cognitive ability, so why not come along on Tuesday afternoons between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm for a sociable and fun time!

Each session costs £2 per person and coffee or tea is included.

KILSBY BELLS

(From Margaret Dean, Tel: 822724)

The Daventry Branch of Bellringers will be in our area on Saturday 12th November. They will be ringing at St. Mary's Barby first and then coming on to Kilsby where they will ring the bells at St. Faith's from 3.00 pm until 4.30 pm before having a service at St. Faith's.

Anyone is welcome to come to see what happens and to listen to the bells. If you would like to learn how to ring the bells yourself please do come along and talk to us. This is something people of all ages can do. Please contact me if you want any further information.

KILSBY ART CLASS

We are an informal and friendly group who meet on Wednesdays from 1.15 pm - 3.15 pm in the Kilsby Room.

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Community Archaeological Day, Daventry Icon Centre

(From Gren Hatton, Tel: 822411)

On Saturday 23rd July, the Community Landscape Archaeology Survey Project (CLASP) organised an all-day series of lectures and presentations at the Icon Centre in Daventry. The aim of the day was to present a joined-up picture of all the exciting archaeological discoveries that have been made over the last twenty-five years in the area between Daventry and the DIRFT logistics parks, giving local residents a feel for the way in which life was lived and our local landscape was developed and utilised 2000 to 3000 years ago.

There were illustrated talks both from professional archaeological companies, from university academics, and from CLASP's own community archaeological team, and the conference hall was well filled with upwards of 200 members of the local community, including representatives from local government. The talks were enhanced by a range of table-top displays and presentations, from the professional and amateur groups whose work was described in the talks. From the degree of popular interest, the event was judged to be a resounding success.



The morning talks described archaeological discoveries in the area around the DIRFT logistics parks, while the afternoon presentations focused on archaeological work on the sites of the Monksmoor, Apex Park and Middlemore urban extensions around Daventry, and on the archaeology of the new Daventry Link Road (currently under construction), which will run from Daventry to Junction 16 of the M1, bypassing Weedon and Flore on the north side.

Readers of this village magazine will be especially interested in the scenario described in the morning talks, which focused on the early history of settlements near Crick and Kilsby.

As archaeological fieldwork has continued over the last 25 years, it has gradually become apparent that, back in the Iron Age before the Romans invaded Britain, the area between the modern villages of Crick and Kilsby was a carefully structured and sophisticated landscape, efficiently designed and managed. With the archaeological surveys and excavations covering an area of 178 hectares, it is one of the most extensive farming landscapes yet discovered in the British Isles, and it probably reached its peak between 400BC and 100BC.

An artist's impression of the landscape is shown below. In the sketch, you should be able to make out the following key points:



- At least 5 individual Iron Age settlements – the largest of them was at the site of former Crick Covert Farm near Crick, and they were all spread around the rim of the shallow valley between modern Kilsby and Crick through which the Roman Watling Street would later run.
- Each settlement contained Iron Age roundhouses, groups of livestock paddocks and watering holes, and would have been home to between 50 and 150 inhabitants.
- Each settlement was located on slightly elevated ground, and the central low-lying plain was used as pasture for herds of sheep and cattle.
- Long sections of 'pit alignments' were found (lines of excavated holes, each about 1m across and 1m deep, spaced every 3m or so); these were possibly intended to demarcate each settlement's limits.
- There is evidence of a wide external boundary circuit around the overall multi-community system.
- There were also possible drove routes to supplementary grazing areas outside the central 'local' plain.

It's worth repeating the statement that I made above – this is one of the largest known Iron Age settlements in Britain, and one of the most extensive farming landscapes yet discovered in the British Isles – and it was right there on our doorstep; something to think about, next time you take a walk across the fields.

A book is available, describing the Iron Age landscape around Crick and Kilsby in detail¹. Copies of the proceedings of the Community Archaeological Day are currently being prepared for printing, and a DVD of the illustrated talks will also be available².

Gren Hatton, August 2016

¹The Iron Age and Romano-British Settlement at Crick Covert Farm', Hughes & Woodward, Archaeopress Archaeology, ©2015

²For more details, apply to CLASP, via Gren Hatton, 01788 822411.

Kilsby Garden and Produce Association

(from Sue Curtis, 822039)



Kilsby Annual Produce Show September 4th

A lovely start to autumn with an amazing array of fruit and vegetables, but also some beautiful handicrafts reflecting the many artistic and skilled people we have in Kilsby.

The sun shone and as usual, the teas and cakes served by the Christmas Tree Committee were delicious. They raised a fair sum towards the cost of the Christmas Tree event and the produce sale raised money for the 1st Kilsby Guides and Syrian refugees.

The five judges worked their way through a total of 304 entries, which was down on last year although 2015 was an outstanding show. We are planning some changes for next year to try and encourage more entries (see last paragraph).

We had four new members join at the show which was great and you can join at any time. Just contact any member of the committee and they will give you details.

All the children who entered received a medal. (Please remember to put your child's age on the form next year...it really is important. Also remember you need to fill in a separate form for each individual who is entering.)

The winning entries were:

Best courtyard garden: Vicky James;
 Best decorative garden: John Madigan;
 Best small mixed garden: Charles Smedley
 Small cup (originally awarded for hanging basket):
 Kilsby School for the planter;
 Children's Cup: Imogen Hussey;
 The Eva Lenox Cup for Allotment Holder with the most points: Charles Smedley;
 Hilda Ollerenshaw Cup: David Leathley;
 Warner Crofts Cup (most points in cookery):
 David Leathley;
 Banksian Medal (most points in show):
 Susan Hussey;
 Bracebridge Cleasby Cup: Charles Smedley.

Annual General Meeting

This will be held on November 24th in the Kilsby Room at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Richard Curtis will be guest speaker, and will do a demonstration on Christmas canapés and nibbles.

We will be asking if we should put the show back a week (so next year would be September 9th) to encourage more entries, and also holding an open evening in May with advice about what the judges look for in the different classes. Also we are keen to hear about new classes we could introduce. More photography and a basket of produce have been suggested but more ideas welcome. We also plan to have a sale of produce again next year.

Many thanks to all helpers, all members and to everyone who came on the day and who entered.

KILSBY KRONICKLE KIDS' KORNER

Can you draw a picture for each of these fruit and vegetables?

Can you identify which of these foods are fruit and which are vegetables?

Fruit/Vegetable	Draw a Picture	Fruit or Vegetable?
1 – Carrot		
2 – Strawberry		
3 – Broccoli		
4 – Apple		
5 – Banana		
6 – Aubergine		
7 - Cabbage		
8 – Watermelon		
9 - Pineapple		
10 - Grapes		



Funky ways to get your 5 – A - Day!.....

- Make a smoothie by blending lots of fruit with a splash of milk
- Cut carrots and cucumber into sticks to dip into hummus or salsa
- Make a funny face out of mushrooms, peppers, pineapple, ham and cheese on a pizza base
- Create your own vegetable patch at home
- Make fruit kababs to dunk into melted chocolate
- Mix some yoghurt with berries and then freeze in ice lolly trays to make berry frozen yoghurt



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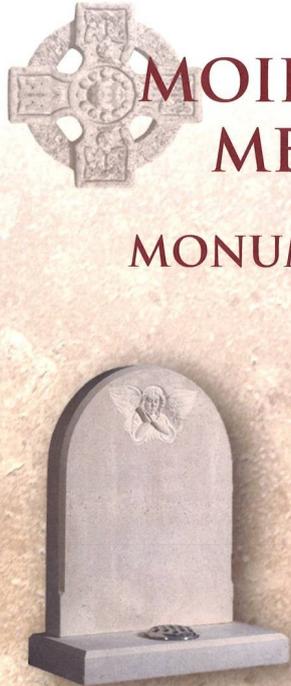


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Things to do in October and November

- Help with the Poppy Appeal**
- Manage the Playground Project**
- Go to the Murder Mystery Evening**
- Volunteer to help at the Youth Club**
- Volunteer to be Highway Warden**
- Join/Rejoin the Church 100 Club**
- Go to the Bridge Drive**
- Join in the St. Faith's SC Quiz**
- Go to the Garden Assn. AGM**
- Go to the History Society meeting and/or talk**
- Go to the WI AGM**
- Take your children to Messy Church**
- Contribute to the Rag Bag collection**
- Go on a Walking Group walk**
- Apply to work at the Pre-school**
- Get your children to enter the Drawing Competition**
- Take up Table Tennis**
- Join the Art Class**
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