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Weston Hills**

**WHAT'S ON  
IN THE AREA**



**Feb/Mar 2015**

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## Welcome to The Elloe Oracle Magazine

**Hello and thanks for reading ...**

our first magazine specifically for the local community in Peak Hill, Cowbit,  
Weston and Weston Hills.

**If you're looking for the latest news and events for your  
village, then this is the place to start.**

This magazine is distributed bi-monthly, **FREE** to over 1500 homes as  
well as being available to pick up in locations in and around the villages  
we serve and reaching some 4,000 readers. **Uniquely, we also publish  
each magazine in PDF that can be emailed to you if you prefer to  
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**Extra content and additional articles**  
bringing you local information and news.

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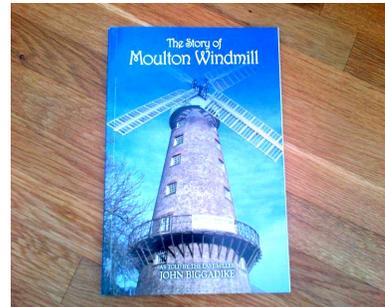
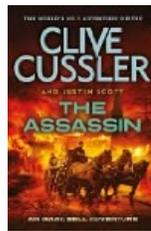
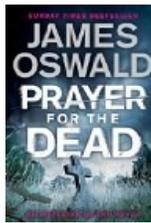
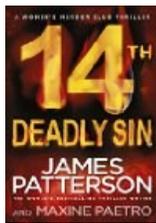
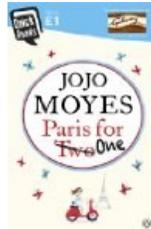
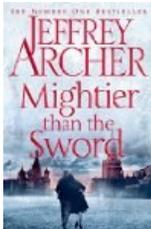
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**Copy deadline for next edition**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

# Book Club

New releases for Feb/Mar 2015



## The Story Of Moulton Windmill

*This is the story of the Mill, up until John Biggadike, the last miller of Moulton, retired*

**Priced at £7.99**

The windmill at Moulton, the tallest in the United Kingdom, has been owned by two families since it was built in the 1820's. The King family built and owned it, then leased it to A.W.Tindall. In 1924 it was leased to John Biggadike's father who ran a successful business from it, and he bought it in 1951, before passing both the mill and the business on to the last Miller of Moulton, John Biggadike III.

This is the story of the Mill in John's own words as told to two mill volunteers: Jim Critchley, who did most of the research until his death in November 2012 and Peter Hall who completed the task of writing and publishing the book. Available from the Mill shop or online at

[www.moultonwindmill.co.uk](http://www.moultonwindmill.co.uk)



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# South Holland District Council

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Andrew, Anthony and Rodney are pleased to support this first edition of the Weston and Cowbit Community Magazine. Covering 3 villages in a rural area, we consider it important that you are informed on a regular basis what is happening at SHDC. We thank all those involved in putting the magazine together and wish it every success

A soldier from Cowbit who gave his life during the Second World War and had a road named after him, has had a sign reinstated. Parkin Road in Cowbit was named after Charles Rowland Parkin and when street signs were replaced recently, the sign commemorating Mr Parkin was removed, but has now been replaced

An SHDC led campaign to tidy up unsightly areas in South Holland is picking up pace. The Pride in South Holland Campaign started last year with the clearing of the Bull and Monkie in Spalding. Other areas have been targeted around the District, and towns will see extra cleaning. Play-area's will also benefit with tired looking equipment being repainted. Andrew, Anthony and Rodney are all proud of living in South Holland and fully support the campaign

Have you registered for IER? Individual Electronic Registration allow a person to register to vote individually whereas under the previous system the "head of household" completed a registration form on behalf of all members of the household. Registration is a simple process and asks electors to provide their name, address, date of birth and National Insurance number. To register go online to [www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)

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Or contact the waste and recycling team on **01775 761161**



**Every February 14, across the UK flowers and gifts are exchanged between loved ones, all in the name of St. Valentine. But who is this mysterious saint, and where did these traditions come from?**

St. Valentine was a holy priest in Rome, a trained physician he was a humble and gentle man who prayed daily. He assisted the Christians under persecution by Claudius II. Even though the emperor forbade it, Saint Valentine refused to renounce his faith and continued to help Christians .

Claudius eventually had him executed. In the year 270 Pope Julius I had a church built in the saint's memory near Ponte Mole. Most of his relics are now in the Church of St. Praxedes.

*Approximately 150 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually, making Valentine's Day the second most popular card-sending holiday after Christmas.*

St. Valentine's name is celebrated as that of an illustrious martyr on the day of February 14<sup>th</sup>.



**Why do we give Chocolate on Valentine's Day?** Chocolate is said to symbolise affection, attraction, deep love, luxury, passion and sensuality. Scientists claim that chocolate is also an aphrodisiac, as it releases Endorphins that increase our desire and energy levels.

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*Over a third of all flowers sold are sold for Valentine's Day.*

Chocolate is the most popular gift given on Valentine's Day.

Happy Valentine's Day

### Romantic Ideas for Valentine's Day

- ◆ Make a romantic meal for your partner
- ◆ Treasure Hunt – set clues for your partner to solve that could lead to a large box of chocs !
- ◆ Recreate your first Date!
- ◆ Plan a trip away
- ◆ Movie Night

**Half of all men proposed to their wives on Valentine's Day**



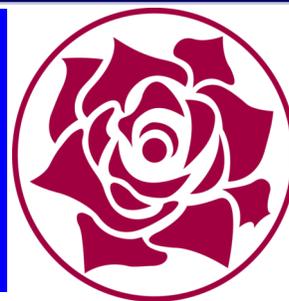
St valentine is the patron saint of

- young people
- love and lovers,
- travellers,
- bee keepers,
- greetings,
- epidemics against plague,
- epilepsy.

*The tradition of giving gifts to your sweetheart became popular in Victorian England.*

Over 210 million flowers will be sold in the UK for Valentine's Day with 115 million of these being

***Red Roses.***



# Spalding East Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team Area Update



Lincolnshire  
Police  
Non  
Emergency  
Number  
**101**



*Bobby Bears  
Spring Tips*

**HELP KEEP YOUR GARDEN TOOLS  
AND ORNAMENTS SAFE BY**

- Property marking items.
- Take good photo's.
- Make a note of any serial numbers.
- Keep tools locked up and out of sight when not in use.

**PCSO 2131  
Bev Robinson**  
*Police Community Support Office*  
**Mob. 07944776822**

## CURRENT NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES

**1) ROAD SAFETY.**  
THE PANEL AGREED TO KEEP ROAD SAFETY IN THE VILLAGES AS A PRIORITY IN OUR AREA

**KEEP UP TO DATE WITH YOUR  
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING  
TEAM**



You can follow your Neighbourhood Policing Team on Twitter  
**@SpaldingPolice**

## YOU SAID – WE DID *Action against set priorities*

1. COUNCIILLOR RICHARD DAVIES, EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION AT LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HAS BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> January 2015.
2. PARISH COUNCIILLORS ARE LOOKING AT WAYS TO SLOW TRAFFIC.
3. OFFICERS ARE CARRYING OUT ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY IN ROADS HIGHLIGHTED AS HOTSPOTS

**NEXT PANEL MEETING:**  
Date: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2015.  
19:30 hours  
Venue:  
**Cowbit Village Hall,  
Barrier Bank, Cowbit.**

**Your Neighbourhood Policing Team is based at:  
Spalding Police Station, Westlode Street, Spalding,  
Lincolnshire PE112AF**

## Cowbit Community News

### **COWBIT NEWS**

Cowbit Village Hall is currently undergoing a major makeover. New tables and chairs have been provided – with financial help from District Councillors and the Parish Council, and the hall has been redecorated inside to give it a fresh new look. The next stage, quotes for which are being obtained, is to install modern heating and lighting systems – those currently in use date back to when the hall was opened in 1988 and are now both outdated and time-expired, and modern replacements will work better and be more energy-efficient.

In early December an extremely successful Open Evening event was held at the hall, in order to show villagers what has been done so far and to gain feedback on this and our future plans. A number of very useful suggestions were received which will be of great use in helping implement the next stage of the improvement programme. There was also a highly successful New Year's Eve party on, unsurprisingly, December 31, organised by two local ladies who did an excellent job. The hall has already been booked for the 2015 event. Cowbit is extremely fortunate to have a facility like this, and at a time when many Lincolnshire village halls are threatened with closure due to a lack of both bookings and volunteers, ours is doing well. It is used daily during term time for school meals, the outreach Post Office operates two days a week, and there is something happening most evenings, as the attached programme shows. In fact, the hall management committee may soon have to meet elsewhere due to a lack of evening slots during the week! The hall is, though, still available most weekends, holds up to 100 people, and can be used for meetings, parties, sales etc; in fact pretty-much anything that a hall can be used for! Darren Harper handles bookings – call him on 01406 380774 (after 6.00pm please) or email [bookings@cowbitvillage.co.uk](mailto:bookings@cowbitvillage.co.uk)



### **Parish Council Meetings**

*Cowbit Village Hall*  
Mon 9th Feb 7.30pm  
Mon 9th Mar 7.30pm

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## Cowbit Community News

### **Mobile Library**

#### Barrier Bank

Thurs 12th Feb 11:15 -11:45

Thurs 12th Mar 11:15 -11:45

#### Milfoil Lane

Thurs 12th Feb 12:00 -12:30

Thurs 12th Mar 12:00 -12:30

#### Fen End Lane

Thurs 12th Feb 13:15 -13:45

Thurs 12th Mar 13:15 -13:45

## RACE NIGHT



Sat 21st Mar

7.30pm

Cowbit Village Hall

## **COWBIT VILLAGE HALL**

Rainbows for girls aged 5-7 Mon 5-6pm

Brownies for girls aged 7-10 Mon 6-7.15pm

Carol 07432 624715

### Tiny Tots

Tues 10.15—11.30am Allison 381330

### Slimming World

Thurs 7-8pm Alex 01775 711462

Kick - Boxing Fri 5.15pm-6.15pm

5-12yrs £3.50 but 1st trial lesson FREE

kickboxing@cowbitvillage.co.uk

Village Draw Chris 381018

Bingo Fri 13th Feb 7.30pm

Fri 13th Mar 7.30pm

### Village Hall AGM

23rd Mar 7.30pm

bookings@cowbitvillage.co.uk

www.cowbitvillage.co.uk

## **Saint Mary's Church Open Day**

We at Saint Mary's were delighted to host a number of Cowbit folk at our Open Day on Sunday, 7 December 2014; and we appreciated learning your ideas as to how Saint Mary's might better serve our village.

With this in mind we are drawing up some plans that would allow our church building to become better used by all in our community. In the next issue of this magazine we hope to be able to invite you to another open day, one at which we can show you just what these plans are. So watch this space.

## Cowbit Community News



As many of you will know we are actively working at Cowbit St Mary to re-invigorate our Church as a place to worship, socialise, meet and host events. As part of this plan we want to repair and conserve the tower Clock. It's about time it worked again! We would be interested in hearing from anyone who has memories of Cowbit and the church.

We are keen to trace the history back to at least 1907, the year the current clock was installed. So if you could provide information associated with the church, the clock and any special events that have taken place there please get in contact.

If you would like to hear more, attend an event or perhaps get involved with the project please contact:

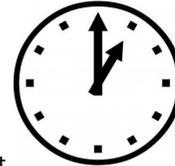
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Shirley Pugh: 01406 380562  
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*We would love to welcome you all to our beautiful Grade 1 listed 14th century parish church ([www.cowbitvillage.co.uk](http://www.cowbitvillage.co.uk)).*

We need **£10,500** to repair and update our clock.

So far we have raised **£3650:**



The Pop-up Pub event organised by Cowbit Amenities Group in October 2014 together with the church open day in December last year raised just over **£300.**

The clock gift aid appeal, donations and the donations box in the Cowbit Village Store has raised **£400.**

The Lincoln Diocese Church Buildings Committee has promised **£750** towards structural repairs.

The contributions from our Local District Councillors, the Lincolnshire County Council's Big Society Fund and Cowbit Parish Council amount to an additional **£2200.**

***We have applied for funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund and hope to hear if we have been successful towards the end of January. However competition for this money is extremely fierce and we are by no means guaranteed this money.***



## PLAN AHEAD

Get those seed catalogues out and settle yourself down in a comfy chair with a hot cup of tea and plan this

**GROW**  
YOUR OWN



- ◆ Don't forget to give your empty glasshouses a good clean before the new season starts
- ◆ Make sure you remove all old plant waste and wash the frame, glazing and staging.
- ◆ Sort through old plant pots and clear away any clutter.
- ◆ Wash pots and seed pots ready for sowing seeds in April and May.

## TREE, HEDGE & GARDEN SERVICES

- ALL TYPES OF GARDEN MAINTENANCE
- GRASS CUTTING & LAWN CARE
- BEDS, BORDERS & WEED CONTROL
- ROTOVATING, TURFING & SEEDING
- TREE SURGERY & CONIFER WORK
- FELLING, PRUNING & SHAPING
- HEDGE CUTTING & SHRUB TRIMMING
- GARDEN CLEARANCE & RUBBISH REMOVAL
- DRIVEWAYS, PATIOS & FENCING

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Plant your lily bulbs in large patio pots, leave them in a warm glasshouse and move outside later in Spring. Tall varieties will require a heavy pot to ensure they don't blow over later in the year.

**Cut back Autumn fruiting raspberries to 15cm of the ground.**



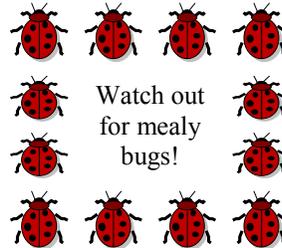
**Prepare the ground for planting—**  
*place a protective covering over soil where you are going to plant or sow seeds. Warming the soil will mean you can sow earlier.*



**Prune Fruit Trees**  
*This is your last chance to spray trees with a tar oil wash. Spray your outdoor peaches, apricots and nectarines with a fungicide to control peach leaf curl.*

*Top up organic mulches around base of fruit bushes*

*Pot up rooted cuttings that are becoming pot-bound to allow them to grow*



Watch out for mealy bugs!

**Chit early seed potatoes on a sunny windowsill indoors**



Buy your Grow Bags now and put them in the greenhouse to warm the soil in them ready for planting early salad crops in April

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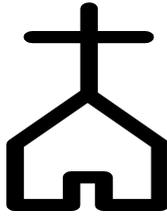
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 Wednesday 9am – 5pm  
 Thursday 9am – 5pm  
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 Saturday 9am – 12.30pm  
 Sunday 10am – 1pm

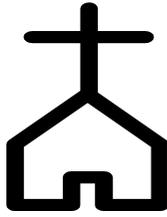


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## Church Services

<b>Cowbit St. Mary's Church</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	
1 Feb	09:15	Holy Communion (Candlemas)	St Mary's Church
8 Feb	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
15 Feb	09:15	Morning Prayer	St Mary's Church
22 Feb	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
Weds 18 Feb	10:00	Ashing and Holy Communion (Ash Wednesday)	St Mary's Church
1 Mar	09:15	Morning Prayer	St Mary's Church
8 Mar	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
15 Mar	09:15	Morning Prayer ( Mothering Sunday)	St Mary's Church
22 Mar	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
29 Mar	09:15	Holy Communion (Palm Sunday)	St Mary's Church
<b>Weston St. Mary's Church</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	
1 Feb	11:00	Morning Service	St Mary's Church
8 Feb	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
15 Feb	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
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8 Mar	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
15 Mar	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
22 Mar	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
29 Mar	11:00	Combined Service	St. Paul's Church



## Church Services

Weston Hills St John's Church			
Date	Time	Service	
1 Feb	09:15	Holy Communion (Candlemas)	Joint service at Cowbit St Mary's Church
8 Feb	09:15	All-Age Service	St John's Church
15 Feb	09:15	Holy Communion	St John's Church
Weds 18 Feb	10:00	Ashing and Holy Communion (Ash Wednesday)	Joint service at Cowbit St Mary's Church
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22 Mar	09:15	Morning Prayer	St John's Church
29 Mar	09:15	Holy Communion (Palm Sunday)	St John's Church

### From the Parish Registers

*We welcome into the church family:*

Rubie Margaret Boswell (Cowbit) ,4 January 2015

*We offer sympathy to the families of:*

Graham William Ellis (Cowbit), 10 December 2014

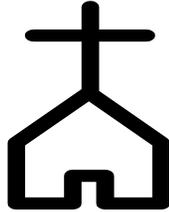
Vera Long (Cowbit) , 15 December 2014

Peter Alan Lyon (Cowbit), 15 December 2014

Gladys Winifred Parson (Cowbit) , 18 December 2014



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## In Whom or In What Do You Trust?

Dear Friends,

A line from a Beatles song goes, 'I get by with a little help from my friends.' What I think this part of the song is really saying is that people cannot get through life on their own strength; they need the help of others. And, yes, we do need other people in our lives; we humans are social creatures; we need human love and friendship. But we are also flawed, imperfect creatures. This is why we eventually are disappointed if we try to rely only on other people or even only on ourselves, for in the end we find that others fail us or that we fail ourselves. And if we take this idea further, we see that, as everything in this world is imperfect, there is no use putting our deepest trust in money, fame, status, power, sex, drugs, work, or any other earthly thing.

My own experience has shown me that it is faith in God, in particular the God of Jesus Christ, that enables me to cope with the disappointments and failures that we meet in this imperfect world. Jesus shows us the greatest truth we need to know: that God loves us and that, just as he loves us, he asks us to love others, even when they have let us down. This is holy wisdom, wisdom that runs completely counter to what we call common sense. Yet, if we believe in God, we know it to be true. We also know that through trusting in Jesus we can find the strength we need to forgive others and so begin a process of healing. Faith also lets us know that God forgives us. Forgiving and being forgiven—neither is possible without God.

How do you come to have faith in God? I would say it is the same as falling in love. You cannot prove that the person you fall in love with is the right person for you. Something, which I would liken to faith, just tells you that with the person to whom you are attracted you are on the right track. The same holds true for God.

If you find yourself at a dead end, if you find yourself overwhelmed by your failures or those of others, investigate this man Jesus who came to show us who God is. Investigate and see if you are attracted; see if getting to know Jesus does not call forth love from you, a love that tells you that you have found a friend who is totally reliable and not just a friend, but the wonderful and mysterious foundation of all that is. It could change your life. It could give you new life.

Yours in Christ,

**Charles Brown**  
Priest for Cowbit and Weston Hills

## Charity News



### **MOULTON MILL NEWS** **[www.moultonwindmill.co.uk](http://www.moultonwindmill.co.uk)**

Happy New Year to all our supporters.  
Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Knight from Holbeach who won the Luxury Christmas Hamper with ticket 441.  
We raised £440. Thanks to all who supported the raffle.

#### **February Events**

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb – Quiz Night**, it is sure to be sold out but call the mill for further details.

#### **March Events**

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March – Grinding at the mill** at 10.30am.

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day** – mum's go on free tour of the mill with a fee paying child. Tours from 10am with the last tour at 3pm. Why not have afternoon tea with your mum at the mill. Available from 1-4pm. Booking required. Call the Mill Manager on 07753 829706.

**Weds 25<sup>th</sup> March – Be a miller for a day.** Booking required. Experience first hand how to grind and produce flour. This is a hands on course so you need to be physically fit enough to climb, lift weights and bend in tight spaces. Course runs from 10am - 3pm and includes a lunch of soup and bread. Course places must be pre booked via the Mill Manager 07753 829706. Cost £40 per person.

#### **Friends Meetings**

Please note we have changed the day of our Friends meetings to a Wednesday and reduced the number held. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm at the Mill. These meetings are open and any member of the public can join for free. Refreshments provided.

The Friends of Moulton Mill 2015 Newsletter with our list of events for the year is currently being sent out or is available from the Mill or the Post Office.

Volunteers always needed as tour guides or to work in the tea room or shop. Training will be given. So if you have some spare time and want to do something different, then call in and speak to the Duty Manager.

The mill is open **Thursday to Sunday 10-4pm** with the **last tour** of the day at **3pm**. There is an admission fee for a tour, prices not changed. Entry to the Granary Tea Room and Mill Shop are free. We have a selection of cakes including home-made sponges and scones, Myers Plum Bread and freshly made sandwiches. A variety of hot and cold drinks available.

***We are the only tea room in the village so why not pay us a visit.***

New mill book on sale at £7.99 available from the mill shop, mail order via Amazon or our website.

# Weston Parish Council

## Weston Parish Council

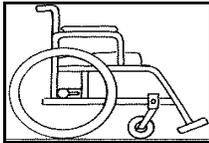


At long last the new village sign is in place at the Austendyke Road/Broadgate crossroads. Kindly manufactured by local resident James Milsom of FabTech Sheet Metal Ltd. of Crowland from an original design by Adele Martin (an art student at University Academy Holbeach) the sign depicts the windmill that stood at the crossroads until its demolition in the early 1920's.

The Parish Council have committed to buying an interactive speed sign and are grateful for the pledges of grants towards the cost from the District Cllrs. Ward Budget and Broadgate Builders.

After consideration of the budget for the forthcoming year it was decided to reduce the Parish Council Precept by £500 to £15500.

The venue for Parish Council meetings alternates between Weston and Weston Hills Village Halls. The next meetings are February 2nd at Weston and March 2nd at Weston Hills. Meetings start at 7.30pm. with a 15 minute Public Forum.



### WESTON CONSOLIDATED CHARITY

The Charity owns several wheelchairs that are available for either short or long term loan to residents of Weston Parish.

To arrange for the free loan of a chair please contact either Anthony Casson on 01775 723965 or Julian Bellamy on 07831 212976

### **Parish Council Meetings**

**Weston Village Hall**  
2nd Feb 7.30pm  
**Weston Hills Village Hall**  
2nd Mar 7.30pm

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# Weston Community News

## St Mary's Church—Weston



Dear Parishioners,  
 I'd like to thank all those who helped in any way in staging the Christmas Tree Festival, especially Reinhard Biehler who supplied us with all the Christmas Trees and Revd Paul Winn who organised and ran it – it was hard work and it is much appreciated. The candle-lit Carol service, which was well attended, looked especially beautiful with all the trees lit up. We are hoping to make some changes at the church – to add more heating, install a toilet and to build a children's/meeting room in the south transept behind the organ; we hope then to set up a children's group.

Our drama group at St Mary's school put on a performance of Cinderella just before Christmas in the Village Hall. It was very successful and the children did very well indeed, especially as it was the first time they had acted out a play. There was a very good turn out and everyone enjoyed the production. We are now working on putting on 'Oliver' so that should be very interesting!

Wishing you all a fulfilling 2015,  
**Revd Mike Chesher**

## DID YOU KNOW?



The font at St Mary's Church with its bold carving and foliage on each of eight sides, one of which is different to the other seven, with platform for the priest, was probably built in Thomas of Multon's church in 1180 but was moved to its present site when the chancel was built a century later. A new lid was carved in 2002 as a mark of the new millennium.

A quote from:  
 England's Thousand Best Churches by Simon Jenkins Penguin Books

*"--this is essentially a Gothic church of rare completeness. Early Gothic interior is rare"*

### Weston Village Hall

**Booking Line 07745 577517**

#### **Short Mat Bowls**

Sun & Tues 7-9pm

Eileen Richardson :01406 370181

#### **Yoga**

Mon 10-11:30am

Vivienne Scupham : 01775 713140

#### **Aikido**

Mon & Fri 8—10pm

Steve Miller : 07986 363663

#### **Belly Dancing Shimmera**

Wed 6:45—8pm

Dani Dalley : 01775 640705

#### **Water Colour Painting**

Thurs 10—12 noon

Graham Timbrell : 01205 723762

#### **Line Dancing**

Thurs 7:15—9:30pm

Marion Bloye : 01406 350732

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## Weston Hills Community News

### **Mobile Library**

Village Hall

Thurs 12th Feb 14:15 -14:45  
Thurs 12th Mar 14:15 -14:45

### **NEXT POLICE PANEL MEETING:**

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

19:30 hours

Venue:

Cowbit Village Hall,

# quiz night!

**On Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March,**

St. John's Church are holding a

**Quiz Night**

in

Weston Hills Village Hall  
at 7.00 p.m.

**Tickets £4.00**

Raffle and Refreshments.

To book your place please contact

**Viv Prescott**

**01775 766907**

### **Weston Hills Village Hall**

#### **Post office**

Open Mon, Wed and Fri  
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#### **Short Mat Bowls**

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07971 393832

#### **Bingo**

Sat 14th Feb 7pm  
Sat 14th Mar 7pm

#### **St John's Church**

Many thanks to all who supported our  
Christmas Raffle, this raised

**£181.00**

**Thank you!**



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**Weston Hills C of E Primary School**  
School Office—01406 380309  
[www.westonhills.linc.sch.uk](http://www.westonhills.linc.sch.uk)

*Following our Christmas break, children and staff have come back to school much healthier for the start of the year!*



Children are looking forward to our Whole School Production which is taking place

just before we break up for half term. They are all busy learning their lines and songs for our adaptation of “Wind in the Willows”.

 **We have** -144 pupils  
78 girls ,66 boys  
26 full and  
part - time staff



PTA Discos will be taking place at the end of March. We are very grateful for their continued support and are looking forward to refurbishing our library area with their assistance.



Year 5/6 children took part in a Football Competition organised through Agilitas. Children did really well and had a fantastic day competing against other local primary schools, despite the cold weather!

Our local MP John Hayes came into school in January to meet Year 5/6 children and our new head teacher, Mrs. Fitzgerald. He always has interesting stories to relate to the children about his time in Parliament.



The School Nursing Team will be coming into school this term as part of the National Child Measurement Programme for children in Reception and Year 6.

Year 5 and 6 children have had a day with Collingwood Learning concerning Healthy Relationships. They were all involved in activities throughout the day, and the Year 6 children performed to parents at the end of the day – a very positive experience for all concerned.

## Netball

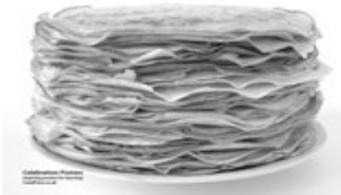
Year 5/6 children will be taking part in a Netball Tournament at Spalding High School, and at the end of March there is a U11’s Volleyball Tournament. There is a Dance Showcase for KS2 children at the South Holland Centre which children have been practising for.

Our extra curricular activities this term include a Taiko, Netball, Change4Life Club, Cricket, Sewing, Stories & Rhymes, Reading, Parachute, Homework & Choir.

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# Pancake Tuesday

17 February 2015



## Ingredients

- 100g plain flour
- 2 large eggs
- 300ml milk
- 1 tbsp. sunflower or vegetable oil
- Lemon wedges
- Caster Sugar

## *What will you put on your pancakes ?*

Maple Syrup  
Honey  
Nutella  
Peanut Butter  
Chocolate  
Sugar and Lemon Juice  
Ice cream  
Strawberries

## Method

1. Put the flour, eggs, milk and a pinch of salt into a bowl or large jug, then whisk to a smooth batter. Set aside for 30 mins to rest if you have time, or start cooking straight away.
2. Set a medium frying pan or crêpe pan over a medium heat and carefully wipe it with some oiled kitchen paper. When hot, cook your pancakes (see Step 3, above) for 1 min on each side until golden, keeping them warm in a low oven as you go.
3. Serve with lemon wedges and sugar, or your favourite filling.

**Shrove Tuesday** (widely known as **Pancake Day**) is a day in February or March, preceding Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent), which is celebrated in many countries by consuming pancakes

Comfort  
Food

If you have a favourite recipe you would like to share on this page contact  
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### Top 10 food trends for 2015

1. **Korean Food** - deep fried chicken is a Korean speciality, a very posh KFC.
2. **Spiralising your veg**—a new way to enjoy vegetables, turn your courgettes, carrots and beetroot into vegetable spaghetti.
3. **Clean breakfasts** -cereal is now seen as a healthy option with granola leading the way.
4. **Healthy apps**— help for those with food allergies, signposting gluten free recipes/foods, dairy free and vegetarian options.
5. **Natural wines**— focus has been on fresh fruit and veg in our diet, now we want our 5 a day with fruity wines made the traditional way .
6. **Let them eat cake**—the Great British Bake Off has stirred our desire for all things sweet and covered in chocolate, cakes and pastries are making a popular return.
7. **Gluten free**—most supermarkets and fast food chains now have their own range of gluten free products.
8. **Gnocchi**—try the filled gnocchi, stuffed with beetroot or cheese
9. **Doner kebabs**—get ready for more 'posh nosh' as upmarket kebab houses open with meat cooked over wood fires.
10. **Soup**—healthy and wholesome, as we look to reduce food waste in the home many of us will start making our own in 2015.

## Local Listings

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Bulley Davey, Hol 01406 424017 Sp 0 1775  
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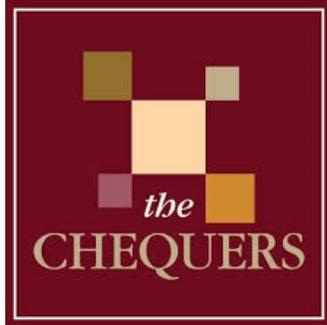
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