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**Apr/May 2018**

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# Welcome to The Elloe Oracle Magazine

## Dear Friends and Neighbours

Hopefully the snow and easterly winds are behind us as April begins. It has been a long and cold winter and now that the clocks have gone forward we can look forward to lighter nights and maybe a little sunshine! Just the sight of the daffodils in full bloom lifts the spirits and promises warmer weather to come. I can now understand why Wordsworth was so excited to discover his "host of golden daffodils".



Time to clean off the barbeque and get ready for Summer!

Best Wishes

Janet



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Check out what's new in this edition!

### Features

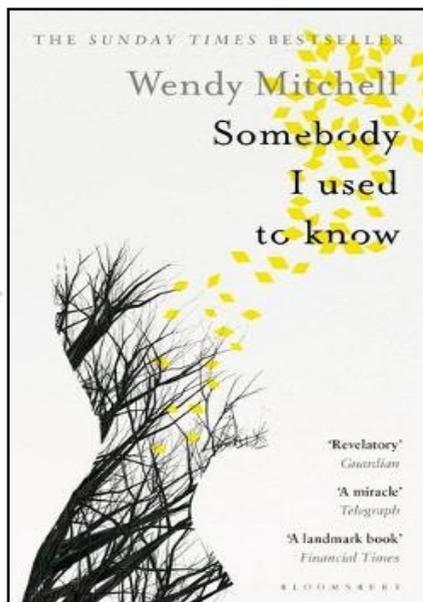
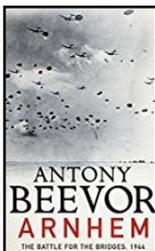
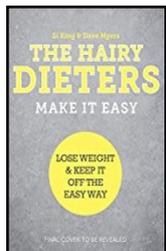
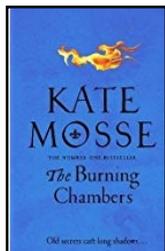
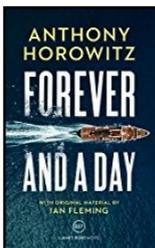
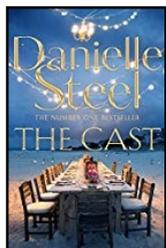
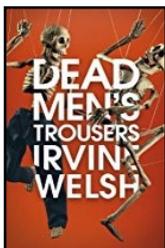
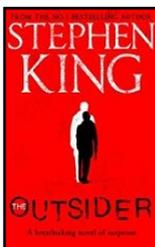
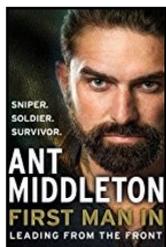
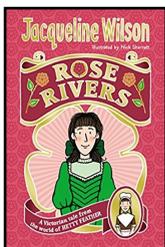
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## Copy deadline for next edition

## Wednesday 16th May

# BOOK CLUB

New releases for Apr/May 2018



**Brave, illuminating and inspiring, *Somebody I Used to Know* gets to the very heart of what it means to be human.** What do you lose when you lose your memories? What do you value when this loss reframes how you've lived, and how you will live in the future? How do you conceive of love when you can no longer recognise those who are supposed to mean the most to you? When she was diagnosed with dementia at the age of fifty-eight, Wendy Mitchell was confronted with the most profound questions about life and identity. All at once, she had to say goodbye to the woman she used to be. Her demanding career in the NHS, her ability to drive, cook and run - the various shades of her independence - were suddenly gone. Philosophical, profoundly moving, insightful and ultimately full of hope, *Somebody I Used to Know* is both a heart-rending tribute to the woman Wendy once was, and a brave affirmation of the woman dementia has seen her become.

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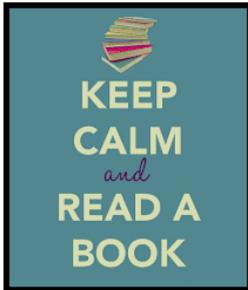


Now that I have recently retired, I have been using the mobile library service in Cowbit. This is an excellent service. You can reserve books and DVD's in advance of the next 'stop'. This can be done on the internet and they will get books and DVD's for you from any libraries in Lincolnshire.

It is even possible to make suggestions for the acquisition of books and DVD's, this too can be done on the internet. The large mobile van has full disabled access. The van comes round once every four weeks so you have the books and DVD's for that length of time, DVD's cost £1 to borrow, double DVD's cost £2 to borrow.

The library staff would like more customers. I use the library at the Milfoil Lane stop in Cowbit. Unfortunately I'm the only person using the facility at this stop. They need more people using this very good service. So please, anybody reading this, not just residents in Milfoil Lane but at any of the other stops in the surrounding area please make use of this service.

All the dates and times are always set out in the Elloe Oracle. Remember it may be a case of 'use it or lose it'. That would be a great shame. **Laurence Honey**



### **WESTON HILLS**

Mobile Library  
**Village Hall**

Thur 12th Apr  
14:15 –14:45

Thur 10th May  
14:15 –14:45

### **COWBIT -Mobile Library** **Barrier Bank**

Thur 12th Apr 11:15 –11:45  
Thur 10th May 11:15 –11:45

**Milfoil Lane**  
Thur 12th Apr 12:00 –12:30  
Thur 10th May 12:00 –12:30

**Fen Lane End**  
Thur 12th Apr 13:30 –14:00  
Thur 10th May 13:30 –14:00

# Spalding East Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team Area Update



You can follow your  
Neighbourhood Policing  
Team on Twitter

@SpaldingPolice

Lincolnshire  
Police  
Non  
Emergency  
Number  
**101**



**PCSO Naomi Newell**

*Police Community  
Support Officer*  
**Mob. 07973848121**



The neighbourhood police team are continuing with speed checks across the villages. The JPCSO's of Cowbit and Weston Hills school will also be assisting myself with this task over the next couple of months!!!

Please take care when in these winter conditions driving – also ensure that lights and number plates are clean.



Scam awareness talks have now been held at Cowbit ladies group, Cowbit Church coffee morning, Weston Park Court coffee afternoon and Moulton community centre coffee morning. The next one is arranged for **Moulton ladies group on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm** – if you require further information please contact myself or 101 We are continuing to raise awareness regarding potential scam incidents/ rogues traders and general crime prevention.



I have completed school visits to Weston Hills and Cowbit primary school – talking to the children about emergency services and how the police are here to help them and keep them safe. Lots of lovely questions received from the children. Discussions about car seat/ seatbelt safety and why we wear hi-visibility and the importance of being seen in the dark/ foggy days.

A look round the police vehicle and then guest appearance from **Bobby Bear!!!**



I now have a new contact number of **07973848121** – but for reporting incidents please contact 101.

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

# Cowbit Parish Council

At the recent Parish Council meetings, speeding became the main topic. The Speed Indicator Device is recording speeds at 70, 80 and even 90 mph, not just Barrier Bank but also Stonegate and Backgate. The Councillors held a village meeting on 5th March along with County Cllr Nigel Pepper, Marc Jones Police & Crime Commissioner, Spalding Police, Cllr Richard Davies Highways Officer and the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. Both District Councillors attended along with local Parish Councillors and many residents of Cowbit. Cowbit PC was given the opportunity to ask searching questions as to why there is no funding for traffic calming as was promised when the A16 was developed. The monies which had been put to one side for traffic calming, had in fact been spent elsewhere. Whilst the data gathered from the SID unit is being sent to the LRSP, it does not reach the criteria that warrants intervention. Radar Junction nearby, is the 46th worst junction in Lincolnshire. Six speed camera vans cover the whole of Lincs and priority is given to areas with a high mortality rate, although not all deaths on the roads are caused by speeding.

Everyone was told that there just isn't any money to combat speeding and the best way forward is to attempt to do this in each Parish. Community Speed Watch is due to be rolled out around the area in May. The CSW co-ordinator has now been appointed and due to take up his position in May. Each Parish Council has the opportunity of taking part and Cowbit has indeed signed up for this. This will involve local volunteers being trained to use either a speed radar unit or a mobile SID unit, these of course will need to be purchased along with high visibility jackets. We have received names of people who are interested but always in need of more. If you would like to volunteer for this then please email the Parish Clerk.

The Parish Council has a vacancy for a Councillor, if you are interested in this voluntary position, please email the Parish Clerk. Full training is given.

The Annual Parish Meeting is April 9th at 7.30pm all welcome.

C.Mackenzie, Parish Clerk. 01775 670375 [clerk.cowbit@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.cowbit@gmail.com)

## Afternoon Tea Party

Sun 13th May, 3-5pm

36 Backgate, Cowbit

For more information ring

01406 389019/07989 307105



## Parish Council Meetings

*Cowbit Village Hall*

9th Apr, 7.30pm

**AGM** 14th May 7.30pm

# ActionFraud

National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre

0300 123 2040

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01775 724929 or email [grumpygrower@outlook.com](mailto:grumpygrower@outlook.com)

# Cowbit Village Hall

This April marks the 30th anniversary of the official opening of the Cowbit Village Hall and to celebrate the occasion we are holding another successful **pop-up pub** on **Saturday the 21st April**, and inviting everybody from the community to come and join in with our special evening.

There is no pre-tickets and food will also be available on the evening as well as drinks at a competitive price, open to all ages.

The Village Hall has just had its AGM where it was reported we had a big growth in the number of bookings in 2017 from the previous year and continue to be a popular venue for parties and events, also a number of projects in the pipeline including; disabled parking, replace the old kitchen equipment, improve the outside drainage, replace indoor lighting with LED, and better outdoor storage.

Like many other committees we are always looking for new members and currently have vacancies on some posts, if you would like to join please contact **Darren Harper on (01406) 380774** for more information.

The monthly bingo has also continued to grow and has been welcoming new members, every second Friday of the month.

## **Social events 2018**

The date for this years **Fun on the Field** has been set, **Saturday 8th of September 2018.**

More information will follow in the next issue of the Elloe Oracle and our website.

New for this year we are holding an afternoon tea party for any over 60's living in Cowbit ,on Sunday 13th May from 3-5pm.

We are looking for people that often don't have the chance to get out of their home and meet many people. Its very kind that Marian and Andy Gaylor are opening their home and garden to hold the event, at 36 Backgate, Cowbit. If you need more information and help with transport please ring **01406 389019/07989 307105.**

# COWBIT VILLAGE HALL

## **Brownies for girls aged 7-10**

Mon 6-7.15pm

Karen Johnson 07775585719

## **Camaraderie Art Group**

Mon 9—12noon

Peter Smith 01775 724870

## **Tiny Tots**

Tues 9.45—11am

Rachel Whinyates 01406 381286

## **Monthly meditation evening**

every 1st Weds 7pm

taz@tazthornton.com

## **Ladies club**

every 3rd Weds 7.30pm

Val Day 01406 380756

## **Art for All**

Thurs 1.30—3.30pm

Peter Dalziel 01775 713546

## **Slimming World**

Thurs 7-8pm

Alex 01775 711462

## **Cowbit Bingo**

Doors open 6.30pm

Fri 13th Apr, Fri 11th May

**bookings@cowbitvillage.co.uk**

**www.cowbitvillage.co.uk**

## **Cowbit's outreach**



## **Post Office**

operates in the

**Village Hall**

**Tues 2pm-4pm**

**Thur 11am-1pm.**



**Cowbit St Mary's C of E Primary School**  
School Office— 01406 380369  
[www.cowbit.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.cowbit.lincs.sch.uk)

This term Dahl Class has been learning about the history of Cowbit and how it has changed over the years. Our topic title is '**How can we make living**

**here better for everyone?'** and this is a question that will become our focus. We have enjoyed walking around Cowbit and comparing our surroundings to the photos we have of the past. We also interviewed our Chair of Governors, Mrs Start, and she told us what the village was like when she was a child. In Maths, the children have been continuing their hard work about fractions and in particular with a focus on word problems and reasoning. By the end of the half term, the children will be moving onto the subject of measurements which will cover a range of subjects from time, weight and length. After learning about a range of Myths and Legends we will be writing own versions!



## **Getting ready for Wimbledon with our new tennis equipment!**

This term Morpurgo class focussed on Narrative Poetry. We learnt all about the exploits of highway men in the 17th and 18th centuries. We read the poem of the Highwayman and his love, Bess. We wrote a short story about the tragic love story, as well as our own newspaper article. In Maths we are consolidating our multiplication and division knowledge. Due to the 'Beast from the East' our World Book Day had to be postponed. However, pupils excitedly wore their costumes the following week. Donaldson Class have been getting very creative this term. We are loving looking at the Starry Night painting by Van Gogh and exploring different artistic styles, techniques and skills.





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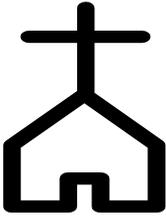
# Church Services

## Cowbit , St. Mary's Church

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1 Apr	09:15	Holy Communion ( Easter Day)	St Mary's Church
8 Apr	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
9 Apr	10:00	Holy Communion ( Lady Day)	St Mary's Church
15 Apr	09:15	Morning Prayer	St Mary's Church
22 Apr	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
<b>29 Apr</b>	<b>09:15</b>	<b>Holy Communion ( Joint Service)</b>	<b>Weston Church</b>
6 May	09:15	Morning Prayer	St Mary's Church
<b>10 May</b>	<b>11:00</b>	<b>Holy Communion( Ascension Day) Joint Service</b>	<b>St John's Church</b>
13 May	09:15	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
20 May	09:15	Holy Communion ( Whitsunday)	St Mary's Church
27 May	09:15	Holy Communion ( Trinity)	St Mary's Church

## Weston Hills , St John's Church

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## Spring

Dear Friends,

Spring is a time of year when most of us feel more cheerful. The lengthening days, the flowers, the greening trees and fields, and some balmy weather all combine to make us feel that bit better about life and the world. Ministers of the Church at this time of year are prone to pointing to all the new life that springs forth at this season as a sign of God's plan for us: to give us new life both in this world and after we die. Nature becomes a reflection of God's purpose for us.

Yet nature by itself cannot bring us to know God. Yes, nature does renew itself in the spring, after having died in the previous autumn and winter. But this natural cycle of renewal, growth, and death can be seen as meaningless. It can be seen as simply a vicious circle that takes us nowhere. If we take God out of the picture, spring is nothing more than an illusion, since all this glorious new springtime life is bound to end in death for us and for all the generations that follow us. If the compost heap, so to speak, is the end of it all, why bother? Why bother to leave behind children or the memory of a life that made others happy if you can see no ultimate purpose behind this world of ours and the life it contains?

It is only through faith in God that the whole thing makes sense. It is only when we are able to see life as a gift from God, the mysterious creator of all that is, that the pieces of the puzzle begin to fall into place. Faith tells us that God has put us here, not because we deserve to be here, but simply because God in his goodness has wanted us to be. And God knows that life in this world he has made is not always beautiful and good, like a balmy spring day. It is for this that he sent us his Son, whose life shows us that pain and suffering and death, though very much a part of life, do not have the upper hand. Yes, Jesus died. He died an excruciatingly painful death in the springtime of the year. But on the third day after his death he rose up from his tomb, body and soul, to show us that God has created us for life, not death, and that in his plan goodness and love will ultimately triumph over evil and hate. That is the whole point of the Christian celebration we call Easter, which falls on the eighth day of this month.

Enjoy the spring. But if you really want to enjoy it, deep down in your soul, look to Jesus. He will show you that this joyous season of spring is not just a cruel illusion, but a sign of God's goodness, a goodness that makes the whole of life with its spring, its summer, its autumn, and, even its winter, worth living.

Yours in Christ,

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

### From the Parish Registers

#### *Baptisms:*

**Charlie John Parnham** ( Cowbit), 25 February 2018

**Miles Geoffrey Lucien Boswell-Feraud** (Cowbit), 4 March 2018



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

*We have*

142 pupils on roll , 70 girls and 72 boys,  
30 full and part-time members of staff

### **Whole School Performance**

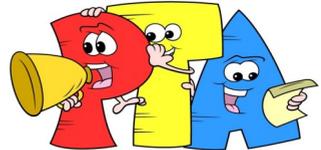
At the end of Term 3 children performed, 'Around the world in Eighty Minutes', an adaptation of Jules Verne's novel 'Around the World in Eighty Days' to enthusiastic and appreciative parents/carers and relatives. There were three performances. Each class learnt songs from their allocated continent and the older children took key acting roles. This is always a fantastic event for the whole school community to enjoy and thanks to Mr. Gernert from Act II for his fantastic organisation and vision.



Tempest will be coming into School on Term 5 to take group photographs. This is an ideal moment of the year, and for some the last photograph before they start their secondary schools.

### **Shona McCallin to visit school**

Children are looking forward to a visit **Shona McCallin**, Olympic gold medalist from the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio who will be visiting on 27<sup>th</sup> April – she was a member of the Great Britain women's national field hockey team.



### **Fundraisers**

Our new PTA will be organising a Disco in late May for both Key Stages.

We are continuing to fundraise for replacements to the "trim trail" and are ready to start phase one of the project. The children have all given their views on the type of equipment they would like—we now have the difficult task of meeting at least some of their expectations!

achieve  
more

# SAT

### **SAT's Tests**

April/May 2018 will see the start of KS1 & KS2 tests for children, and Phonics tests for Year 1 children. We wish them all the very best of luck.

### **After School Clubs**

After School Clubs include Homework, Football, Netball, Taiko, Jigsaw, Lego, Dance, Choir & Running.



To find out more about advertising opportunities available in the Elloe Oracle, call **Darren Harper** on **01406 380774** after 6.00pm, or email [\*\*daz1.harper@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:daz1.harper@gmail.com)

# Weston Hills Community News

## Flower Festival

*St John's Church, Weston Hills*

## "Books"

**5th, 6th and 7th May 2018**

10am—4pm

( Sunday 11am—4pm)

Donations for raffle, bric-a-brac,  
cake welcome.

***Volunteers required to man the church  
or complete flower arrangements.***

Please contact **Sally 01775 760352**

## **Weston Hills Village Hall**



**Post office**  
Open Mon, Wed  
and Fri  
11am—1pm

### **500 Club Winners**

#### **£10 winners**

**T Greenwood,  
J Greenwood, J Bellamy  
Claire, A Fisher,  
M Richardson, C Quinn,  
P Davis, C Jex**

#### **£5 winners**

**R Bye, E Greenwood,  
Paula, O Lee,  
R Halifax, J Gale,  
P Bellamy, A Short,  
P Gott.**

#### **£100 winner**

**D Groom**

*The race night on the  
2nd March was very  
successful and the  
money will be going  
towards a new heating  
system for the Hall  
which is needed.*

For bookings  
please contact

**Marilyn Surman**

**01406 380717**

**Village Hall**

### **AGM**

**8th May  
at 8pm**



## Household Recycling—Spalding

West Marsh Road, Spalding

### **Opening Hours**

March to Oct 8am to 4pm every day

Nov to March Closed Tues, Weds, Thurs

## **Parish Council Meetings**

***Weston Hills  
Village hall***

***2nd Apr 7.30pm***

***Weston  
Village Hall***

***7th May 7.30pm***



*Thanks to Halgarths  
for providing the  
daffodils for  
Mothering Sunday  
at the church.*

***Thank You***

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# Weston Hills PLAYING FIELD



The field is located at the rear of **Honeypot Day Nursery** and is leased from the county council for a period of 20 years. Your parish council and local volunteers are working with LCC, playground designers and funders to deliver a new and exciting play area for the children of Weston Hills.



A public meeting was held in December— after feedback from local residents we now have a list of the things you would like to see on the playing field.



If you would like to join the group of volunteers then please come along to our next meeting. **Everyone is welcome!**

Weston Hills  
Playing Field  
**Meeting**  
**Sunday 22nd April**  
St Johns Church  
Weston Hills  
**11am—12 noon**

For more details please contact  
**Janet or Paul 01775 724929**  
**[grumpygrower@outlook.com](mailto:grumpygrower@outlook.com)**



## STOP SPEEDING IN YOUR VILLAGE “GET INVOLVED” WITH



### **“COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH”**

The Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership has listened to many Parish Councils regarding vehicles constantly speeding through their villages, highlighted by parishioners complaints to their respective Parish Councils.

To this end and after consultation with many organisations they are likely to launch, in mid to late May, "**Community Speed Watch**" in Parishes who wish to participate.

Weston Parish Council has received numerous complaints regarding speeding over the past number of years and has actively lobbied the LRSP to this end. With the programme likely to be rolled out either in April or May this year, Weston Parish Council are now looking for volunteers to come forward to participate in this new innovative programme.

Naturally without volunteers Weston Parish Council cannot join other communities around Lincolnshire.

Volunteers will receive training but we are already in a position to explain the details of the workings of "**Community Speed Watch**" to any parishioners interested.

If sufficient volunteers come forward then a meeting could be arranged to explain the system and to arrange the necessary training.

For Weston residents further information can be obtained from

CLlr Chris Dicks on [eoflessex@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:eoflessex@yahoo.co.uk).

Other Villages should contact their respective Clerks

**NOW'S THE TIME TO STOP COMPLAINING AND GET INVOLVED  
AND HAVE AN EFFECT WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY**

## WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

### WESTON PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL OPEN PARISH MEETING Monday 23rd April 2018, Weston Village Hall commencing at 7.30 pm



**Please come along** - It is your opportunity to have your say on matters which affect you and it gives your Parish, District and County Councillors a chance to learn at first hand the feelings of parishioners on specific Parish matters.



See how you can volunteer to be part of a proposed Community Speed Watch Scheme and how to help tidy up Weston and Weston Hills by joining in on our annual litter pick

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# South Holland District Council



The “**Beast from the East**”, proved quite challenging for all concerned within SHDC, but normal service was soon up and running. During the last week of February, there was disruption to normal services due to the bad weather. Our refuse freighters struggled and were not able to access some roads due to the snow and ice and we apologise to those who did not receive their weekly refuse or recycling collections in these extreme weather circumstances. More locally, community spirit could be seen all over the area with Andrew, local residents local farmers rescuing stuck vehicles and clearing roads. A huge thank you to those who helped.

Full Council also fell foul to the bad weather, with a planned meeting on 28th February, being postponed till 8th March. This was an important meeting though as approval was needed to set the Council Tax for 2018/19. Due to a continued reduction in money from Central Government, it was agreed to increase a Band D property by 3.03% or £4.99 in monetary terms for. This equates to less than 10p per week, while securing front line services and ensuring waste and recycling is continued to be collected weekly.

Major development for the area is a significant step closer after an announcement that South Holland District Council has been successful in securing £12million of Government funding. Working in conjunction with the County Council, SHDC officers prepared and submitted the bid for £12m to support the delivery of the northern Section of Spalding’s Western Relief Road. The allocation is one of the largest nationally in terms of value and the biggest allocation in the East Midlands. This investment will secure the delivery of significant highways infrastructure improvements, which include a roundabout on the B1356 Spalding/Pinchbeck Road and an over bridge spanning the mainline and providing access into housing land identified in the emerging Local Plan.

**Should you have any issues, please feel free to contact your councillors on:**

**Andrew Woolf**

01406 373008, 07868 701659,  
awoolf@sholland.gov.uk

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01775723965, 07889811845,  
acasson@sholland.gov.uk

**Rodney Grocock**

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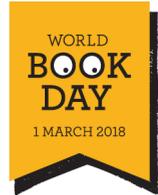


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Life at Weston St Mary CE Primary School has continued to be very busy. A highlight has been celebrating World Book Day. Staff and children came to school dressed as their favourite book character, and all of the children in the school created a story book with themselves as the main story. The children took great care with their writing and illustrations and we are very much looking forward to displaying them in our reception area soon.



In Key Stage 2, our current topic is 'We are Britain', and as part of this the year 3 and 4 children have been learning about the works of Shakespeare. We have been focusing on Macbeth, linking it to our work on Scotland in Geography. The children have participated with great enthusiasm and are particularly looking forward to writing their own Macbeth-inspired tragedies, which will be set in Lincolnshire.

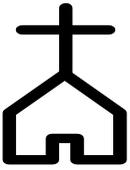


As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the School Parliament voted to change our school uniform, and this change has now taken place. It was wonderful to see the children return to school after the February half term wearing the uniform and staff, children and parents have commented on how much smarter the children look.



It was a pleasure to host a series of lunches for our parents a few weeks ago and we were delighted with the attendance and the positive feedback we received. The children very much enjoyed having their parents in school and particularly liked having the opportunity to play with them in the play ground.





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# Church Services

## Weston St. Mary's Church

Date	Time	Service	Venue
1 Apr	11:00	Holy Communion Easter Day	St Mary's Church
8 Apr	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
15 Apr	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
22 Apr	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
29 Apr	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
6 May	10:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
13 May	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church
20 May	11:00	Holy Communion Pentecost	St Mary's Church
27 May	11:00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church

***St Mary's Church Services***

*In the event of there not being a priest available Morning Prayer will be said.*

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**Flower Festival**  
*St Mary's Church , Weston*  
**"Musicals"**  
**Fri 4th—Mon 7th May**  
**2018**  
 10am—4pm  
 Donations welcome.  
**Volunteers required to man**  
**the church or complete flower**  
**arrangements.**  
 Please contact  
**Sue Meader 01406 825579**  
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# Weston Community News

## **Weston Village Hall** **Booking Line 07745 577517**

### **Short Mat Bowls**

Sun & Tues 7-9pm  
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### **Yoga**

Mon 09:45-11:45am  
Vivienne : 01775 713140

### **Aikido**

Mon & Fri 8—10pm  
Steve Miller : 07986 363663

### **Belly Dancing Shimmera**

Wed 6:45—8pm  
Dani Dalley : 01775 640705

### **Children's Karate**

Fri 6:00—6:45pm

### **Line Dancing**

Thurs 7:00—9:45pm  
Marion Bloye : 01406 350732

### **Social Dance**

Sat 14th Apr 7pm  
Sat 12th May 7pm  
Brian Utting : 01733 210655  
*You are welcome to join any of  
these activities, here, locally,  
in your own village.*

### **Private use per hour:**

**Hall £8.50, Lounge £7.50,**

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**Weston Village residents  
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**To book your own event, or  
use the Badminton court  
Phone: 07745 577517**



## **Weston Village Hall Dance** **Sat 14th Apr** **Sat 12th May**

PLEASE NOTE DOORS OPEN AT 7:00PM FOR  
7:30PM UNTIL 11:30PM  
ADMISSION IS £5 includes tea, coffee,  
biscuits and a free raffle ticket, raffle  
donations appreciated

### **Contact**

**BRIAN UTTING 01733 210655 / 07979987180**

**New Committee Members are required to help  
with the running of the Village Hall in Weston.  
If you can volunteer some time every month to  
join the current team, in the first instance  
please contact Susan Cooper via email at  
[susan.cooper2@icloud.com](mailto:susan.cooper2@icloud.com)**

## **Weston St Mary Village Hall Association**

### **AGM**

**Weston Village Hall  
Small Drove , Weston**

**Thurs 5th April**

**7.30pm**

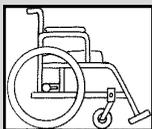
***All welcome!***

## **WESTON**

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## **SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE BLIND SOCIETY**

Charity Number 214140

# **VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED**

## **Spalding All Day Club and Spalding Social Club Volunteers needed!**

Enhance your life of a visually impaired person by helping out at one of our social clubs. Just a couple of hours on a regular basis could mean something to look forward to for an isolated person. We are looking for people who love a good natter and willing to make teas and coffees and join in with card/board games depending on the club and interest of members.

### **What we mean by a 'Volunteer'...**

- *Someone who is enthusiastic and willing to give up as little or as much of their spare time as they can, to get involved in a vital cause!*
- *Someone who loves to chit-chat over a cup of tea/coffee, with the patience to also listen to others!*
- *Someone who is trustworthy, reliable, cheerful, punctual and open to building new friendships!*

### **Why Volunteer?**

- *Who doesn't want to feel rewarded for making tea, eating biscuits and talking to others!?*
- *You would be enhancing your CV and be playing a vital role in your community and making that community more accessible to blind/partially sighted people*
- *You would be provided with training and assistance required to volunteer with those who are blind/partially sighted*

**Get in touch with us for more information - Contact  
Eve Farley, Volunteer Development Officer**

**Email: [evfef@blind-society.org.uk](mailto:evfef@blind-society.org.uk)**

**Main Office: 01476 592775**

**Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm**

**14 Finkin Street,**

**Grantham, NG31 6QZ**



## Joyce's Titbits!



### **TIPS for Roast Dinners;**

**Meat too dry?** Slice / carve then dribble meat juice / gravy over the meat and leave to rehydrate. Substitute or enhance with butter.

**Soggy veg?** Place in the oven, uncovered, for a few minutes OR sauté with butter, bacon & lemon juice (add mashed potatoes for bubble & squeak).

**Burnt roast potatoes?** Either cut off the burnt bits or make sure you cook some mash as well!

**Save time AND washing up!** Add root veg to the roasting dish around the meat to be roasted. Drizzle with oil (olive / rapeseed etc) then add roughly sliced onions, lemons cut in half, garlic, rosemary and time. Cover with foil, place in pre-heated oven – baste as usual to ensure all meat and veg is cooked.

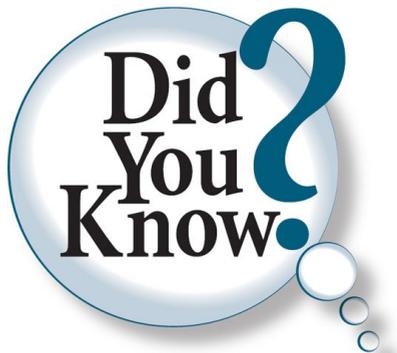
**Serve with CIDER** instead of wine; Cider offers a great drink to complement your roast dinner. Depending on the meat, choose from sweet, dry, sparkling and still. A real ££ saver if you have a large group. Have fun experimenting with different cider/meat combos!

**Reduce WASTE** and use frozen rather than fresh veg.

## **FUN FACTS; Did you know?**

I have it on good authority that;

- Fish sing dusk and dawn choruses, just as birds do!
- It's illegal to be drunk in charge of a cow
- Chess is a compulsory subject in Armenian schools
- 22% of Americans own a gun
- Only 1.2% of our lorry drivers are female
- The Earth is 3.1 million miles closer to the sun in winter, than mid-summer
- A baby oyster is called a spat!
- The North Korean internet has just 28 websites (crikey, whatever do the children do for fun?) *Jane Hickford*





## MOULTON MILL NEWS

www.

moultonwindmill.co.uk

### April Events

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> April** 10-3pm - **Easter Egg Hunt**. Follow the clues to find the eggs. Event runs until all eggs have gone, so come early to avoid disappointment.

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> April** 10-4pm - **Easter Monday Bank Holiday**. Tours until 3pm. Refreshments in tea room. Mill shop open.

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> April** - **Quiz Night** – SOLD OUT.

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> April** at 7.30pm - **Meeting of the Friends** including refreshments. New friends welcome.

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup> April** - **Tractor Rally 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. To find out more or obtain a booking form, contact Paul Beecham on 07825 609575.

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> April** – A folk evening with **Pennyless**. Doors open 7pm, music 7.30pm Tickets £7.50 from the mill. Numbers strictly limited. Tea & coffee or bring your own drink.

### May Events

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> May** 10-4pm - **Gift & Craft Fair**. Various stalls of handcrafted items. To find out more and book a table call 01406 370795.

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May** 10-4pm - **Bank Holiday**

Tours until 3pm. Refreshments in tea room. Mill shop open.

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> & Sun 13<sup>th</sup> May** 10-4pm - **National Mills Weekend**. Tours until 3pm. Refreshments in tea room. Mill shop open.

**Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.30pm - **Quiz Night**.

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> May** 10-4pm - **Spring Bank Holiday**. Tours until 3pm. Refreshments in tea room. Shop open.

**Cream teas** will be available in the tea room from May onwards. Always check to see if there are any "Specials" on the menu. Saturdays 11-2pm hot food on menu, **jacket potatoes and toasted sandwiches**.

### **An evening with "Pennyless"**

**Friday 20th April at 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50 (includes light refreshments - or bring your own drink) will be available from the mill. Tickets strictly limited.**

# Around the villages

## MOULTON CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH Flower Festival 2018.

### "Let's Celebrate"

**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> May to Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Opening times:**

**Thursday, Friday, Saturday &  
Monday**

**10am to 5pm.**

**Sunday 12 Noon to 5pm.**

### Sunday "Celebration"

#### Service

**10.30am.**

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#### Village Parade

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 3pm.**

### **Concert by Folk Duo**

**James Hickman and Dan Cassidy  
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*James, who plays guitar, and Dan, who plays the fiddle, have been performing together since 2008. Their concerts are a blend of British and American folk music.*

*If you are a fan of folk music, this is a concert you will not want to miss. You can find out more at*

**[hickmanandcassidy.co.uk](http://hickmanandcassidy.co.uk)**

*Tickets at £10 per person are available in advance through [crowlandabbey.org](http://crowlandabbey.org) or at Bridge Hardware in Crowland. Tickets at the door £12.50 per person.*

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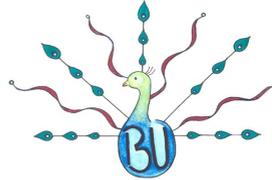
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